Workplace Violence Prevention

Stages & Descriptions with Recommended Involvement



	STAGE & DESCRIPTOR	RECOMMENDED INVOLVEMENT
EARLY STAGE	 Experience Distress Accumulative, bad stress Single, major trauma, or several minor stressors 	Co-worker awareness and observation Front-line supervisor awareness • CATEGORY 1 - Question
	 Perception of No Resolution Narrowing of focus to find things they can successfully control 	 Front-line supervisor observation and possible documentation (How is the individual managing the stress/distress?) CATEGORY 1 - Question CATEGORY 2 - Confront
MIDDLE STAGE	 Rationalization Justify actions or position External focus limited No ability to accept responsibility 	 Further intervention recommended here CATEGORY 2 – Confront CATEGORY 3 – Consequences Consult with Human Resources (HR)
	 Isolation Belief of a need to protect oneself A perception of being alone in endeavors Increase in egocentrism and self-centeredness to the exclusion of others 	 Consider additional options CATEGORY 2 – Confront CATEGORY 3 – Consequences Consult with Human Resources or Corporate Security HR/Security will direct further escalation as necessary
LATE STAGE	 Violent Thoughts & Ideation Belief that violence is only possible way to gain control or to be heard Talking about action of violence or actual demonstration of obvious hostile thoughts 	 Consult with HR or Corporate Security HR/Security will direct further escalation as necessary
	Violent ActionAttempted or Committed	 Immediate Emergency Response Contact law enforcement and Security Control Center Consult with Employee Relations or Corporate Security HR/Security will direct further escalation as necessary