## Welcome to

SERVICE F17ST

The KEY to Customer Satisfaction



## **Today's Topic**

### **Service Recovery**



### **Session Objectives**

- Discuss the challenges of being empathetic
- Discuss the concept and application of "service recovery"
- Introduce the "Triple A" service recovery skills



## **How The Customer Perceives The Situation...**

...is their REALITY.



### **Empathy**

Looking at things from the customer's point of view

Promotes an empathetic, courteous, win/win attitude in our approach to our customer's needs.



### **The Challenge**

No matter how hard we try, someone will be dissatisfied.

- Listen with interest
- Apologize without blame
- Explain reasons for the problem
- Do not become defensive
- Leave a positive impression on the customer



### **Challenges We Face Each Day**

Our challenges usually fall into one of these three categories:

- Work priority conflict
- Co-worker conflict
- Systems/procedures conflict



### **Service Recovery Means...**

...taking positive steps to undo the damage done and restore the customer's faith in us and our organization.



### **Video Presentation**

**Service Recovery** 



## Triple "A" Service Recovery skills

A: Apologize for the problem

A: Admit the mistake

A: Act immediately



# Why is it important to apologize?

Even if you are not responsible for the problem?

Customers want someone (the organization) to take responsibility for a service problem, regardless of who is at fault.



### Why Admit A Mistake?

Does this communicate that we're not capable?

Of course not!

Admitting mistakes is a good indicator of an organization's willingness to make things right when things go wrong.



#### What Can We Do?

#### When we let our customers down

What are your ideas?



### **Service Recovery Summary**

- The importance of putting ourselves in our customers' shoes (empathy)
- Skills to help us face daily challenges
- The definition and application of "service recovery"
- The application of Triple A service recovery skills
- It's OK to admit mistakes



### **Our Monthly Reminder...**

In order for us to be a successful organization in serving the needs of our external customers, we must first be successful in serving each other.



## **Next Topic...**

#### **EMPOWERMENT**