

# Five Behaviors of a Cohesive Team

## Department of Licensing



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# Hello from Frederick Wade



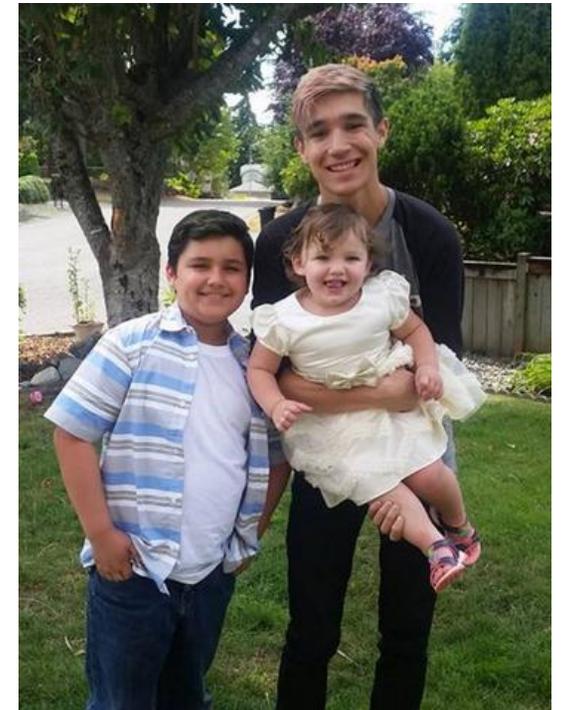
- Raised in TN
- Father of three
- 30-year USAF Veteran
- Cycling/fishing/crabbing/  
clamming/kayaker



# Hello from Noemi LaChapelle



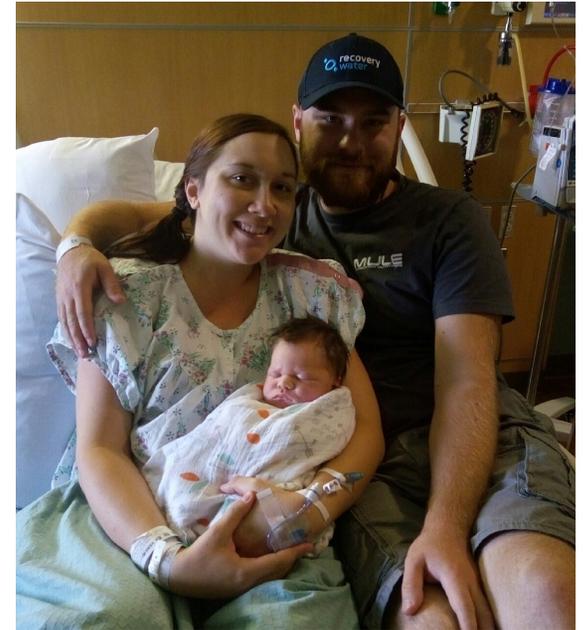
- Raised in WA
- 10 years with the State of WA
- Hobby collector
- Sticky note obsession



# Hello from Gwen Voelpel



- Raised in WA
- Mother of four/new grandmother
- Backpacker/kayaker

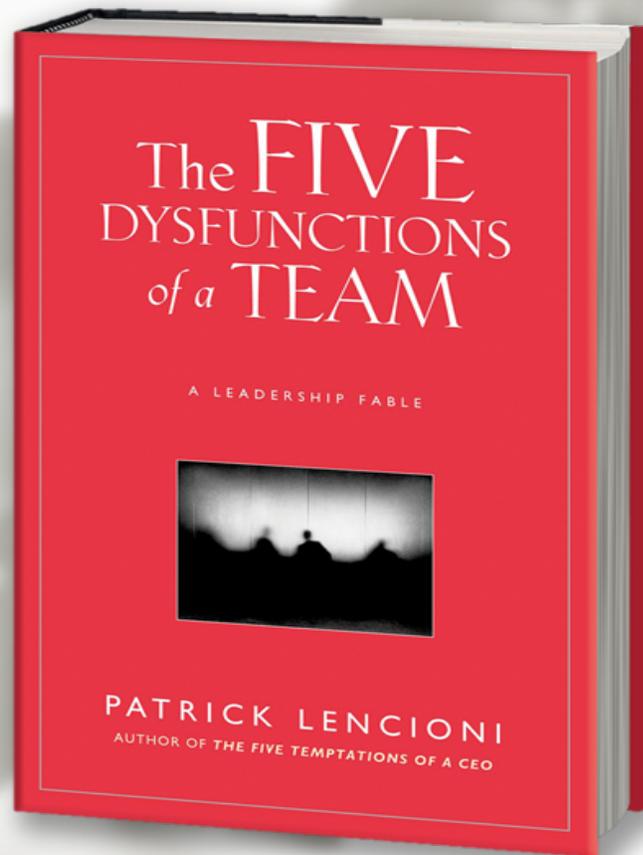


# Session Purpose



- Introduce **model** that works
- Share key **Department of Licensing** learnings
- Experience workshop **activities**





- More than **2.5 million** copies sold.
- **Fable-like** storytelling to relay behaviors.
- Publisher renamed to **The Five Behaviors of a Cohesive Team** for workshops.

# Video: The Model



Team members acknowledge their weaknesses to one another.

## Trust

Almost never?

Sometimes?

Almost always?

Team members voice their opinions even at the risk of causing disagreement.

## **Conflict**

Almost never?

Sometimes?

Almost always?

# Your Team Behaviors



Team members support group decisions even if they initially disagree.

## **Commitment**

Almost never?

Sometimes?

Almost always?

Team members offer unprovoked, constructive feedback to one another.

## **Accountability**

Almost never?

Sometimes?

Almost always?

Team members willingly make sacrifices in their areas for the good of the team.

## Results

Almost never?

Sometimes?

Almost always?



- Complete overhaul of several major IT systems
- Need to re-engineer hundreds of processes
- Key staff changes on Executive Leadership Team
- Legislative changes (i.e. Real-ID Implementation)

# Executive Leadership Commitments



- We assume and act with good intent.
- We manage our behavior so impact matches out intent.
- We lead the agency as a team and do what is best for the agency, owning and supporting the decisions and direction of the team.

# Executive Leadership Commitments



- We create a safe environment.
- We acknowledge and own mistakes and learn from them.
- We value each other's perspectives and experience.

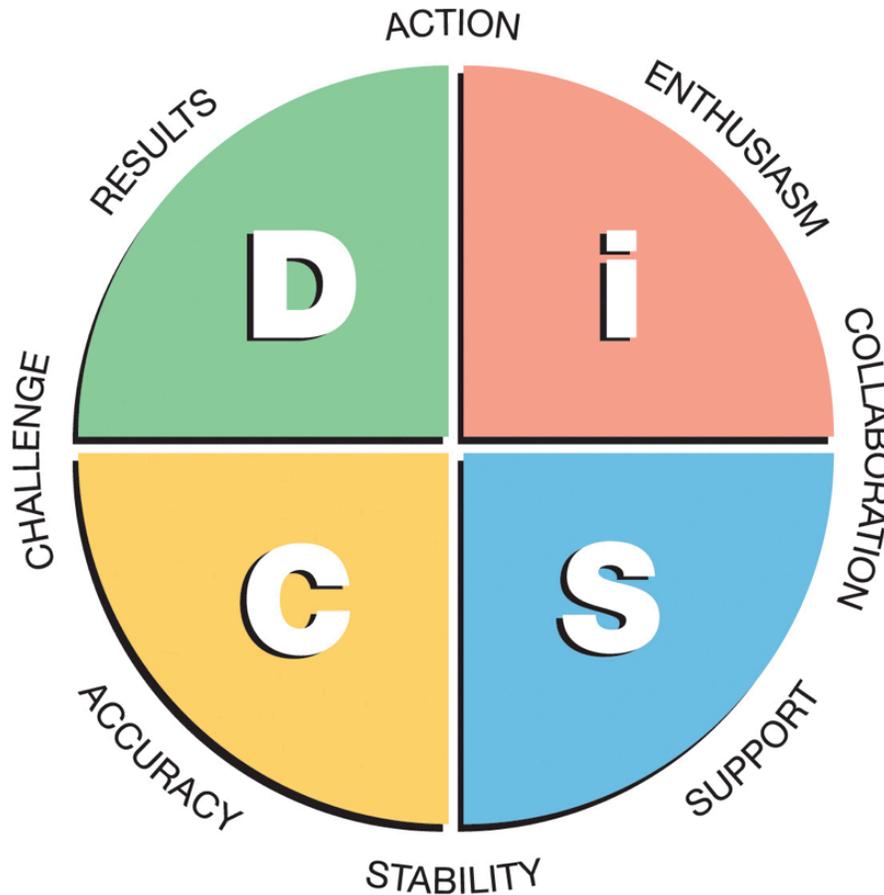
# The Five Behaviors™ Model



# DiSC Styles

**Fast-paced  
and  
questioning**

**Reflective  
and  
questioning**



**Fast-paced  
and  
accepting**

**Reflective  
and  
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# DiSC Styles

## **Dominance**

Direct  
Results-oriented  
Firm  
Strong-willed  
Forceful



# DiSC Styles



**Influence**  
Outgoing  
Enthusiastic  
Optimistic  
High-spirited  
Lively

# DiSC Styles



**Lieutenant Nyota Uhura**

**Steadiness**  
Even-tempered  
Accommodating  
Patient  
Humble  
Tactful

# DiSC Styles



## Conscientiousness

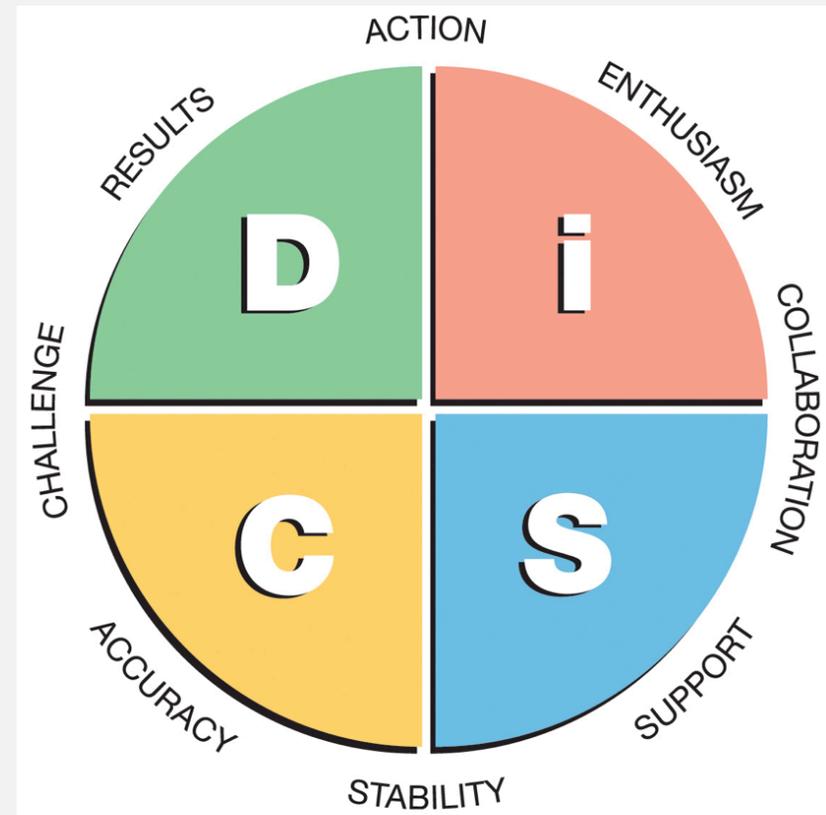
Analytical  
Reserved  
Precise  
Private  
Systematic



# People Reading DiSC



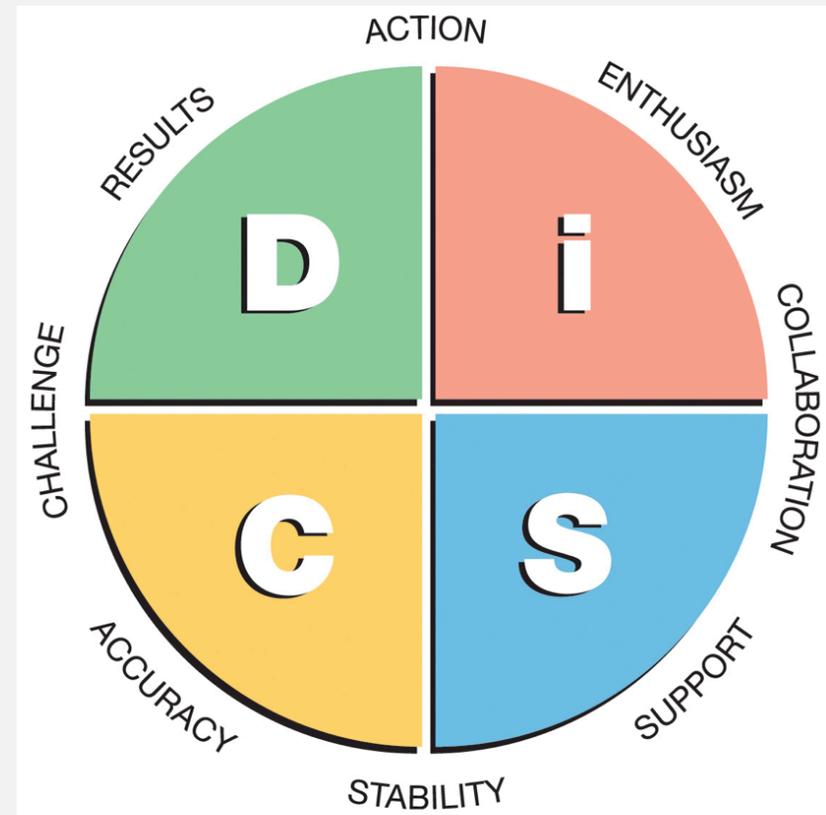
- Let's do it now.
- Let's do it together.
- Let's do it in a caring way.
- Let's do it right.



# People Reading DiSC



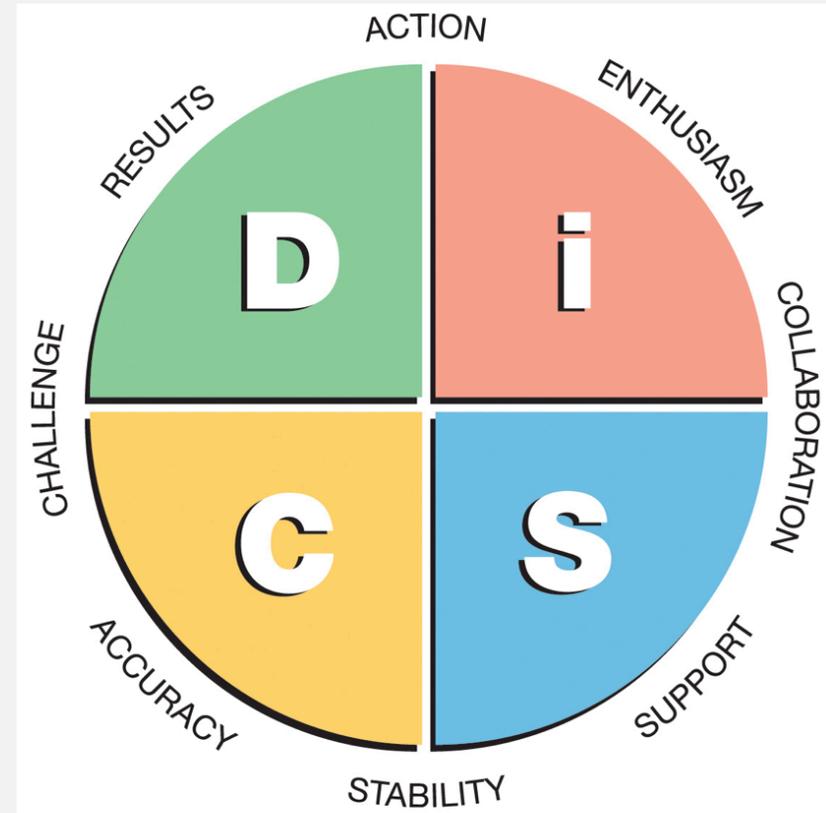
- Motivated by winning.
- Motivated by attention to quality.



# People Reading DiSC



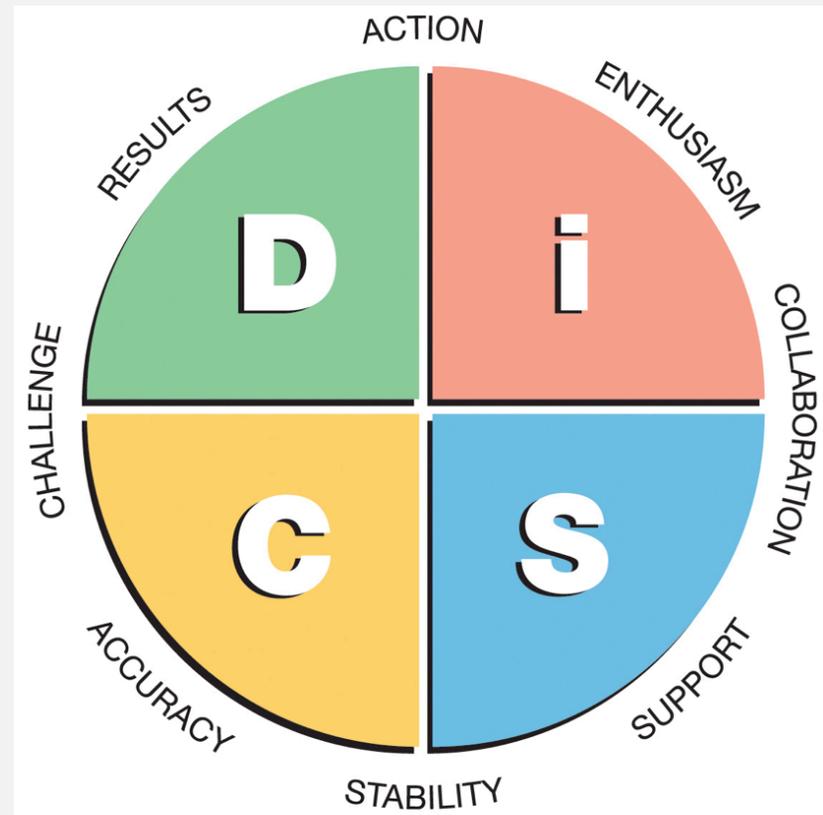
- Stressed by loss of harmony.
- Stressed by being ignored.



# People Reading DiSC



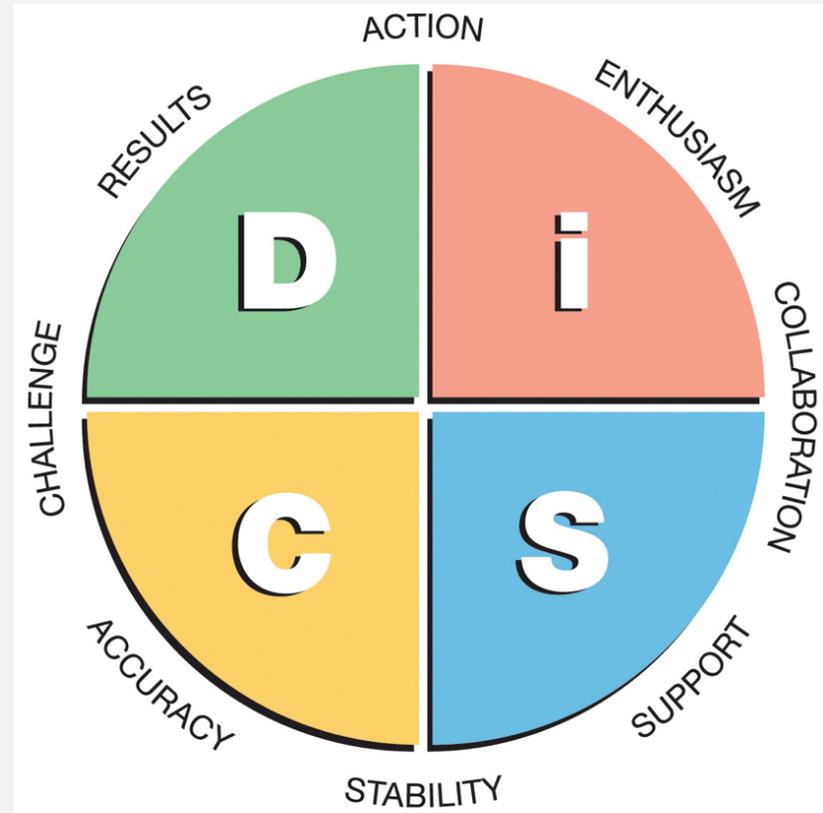
Slips on a banana peel and yells, “Ow, stupid banana peel!”



# People Reading DiSC



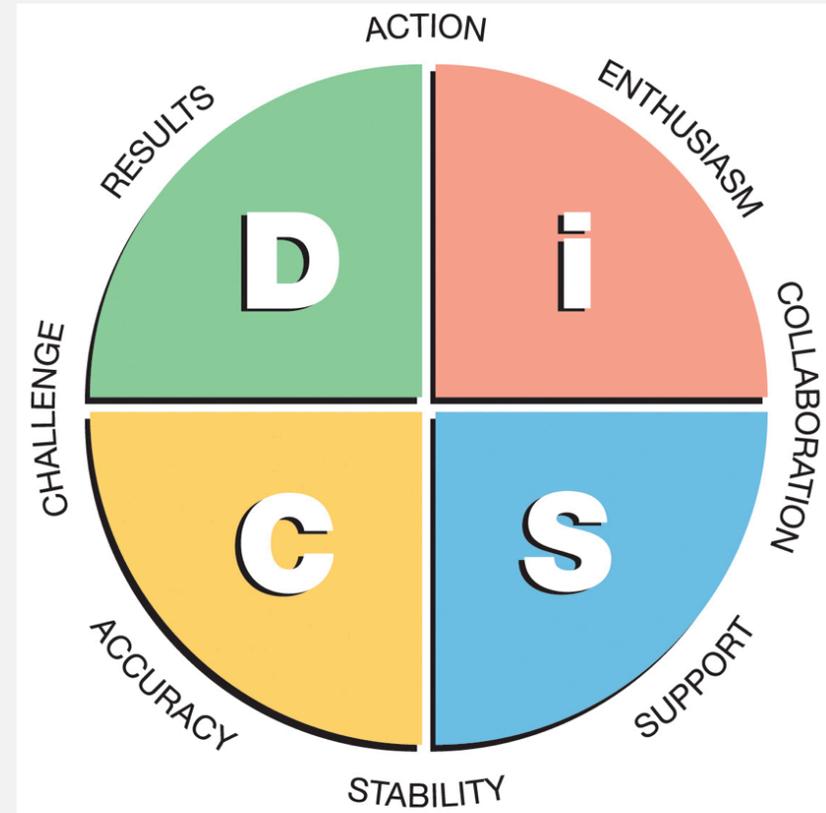
Goes grocery shopping with coupons, a calculator and a list organized by aisle.



# People Reading DiSC

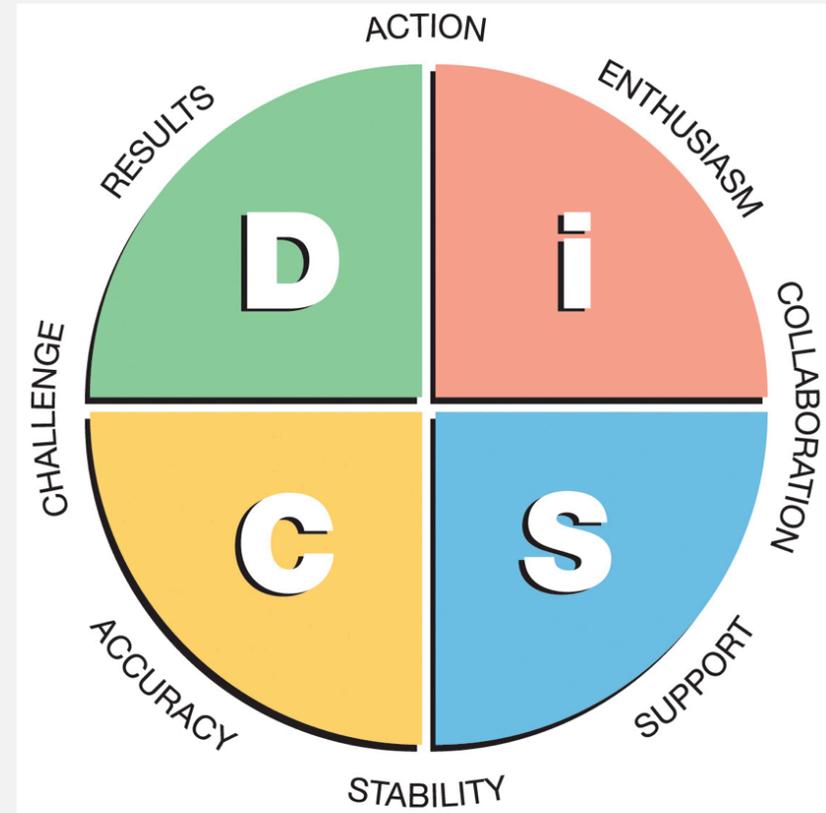


While getting into a crowded elevator, holds the door open for yet another person saying, “Always room for one more. We’ll wait for you.”



# People Reading DiSC

At a big dinner, is the one who would rather not sit at the head but likes to help serve food and clear plates.

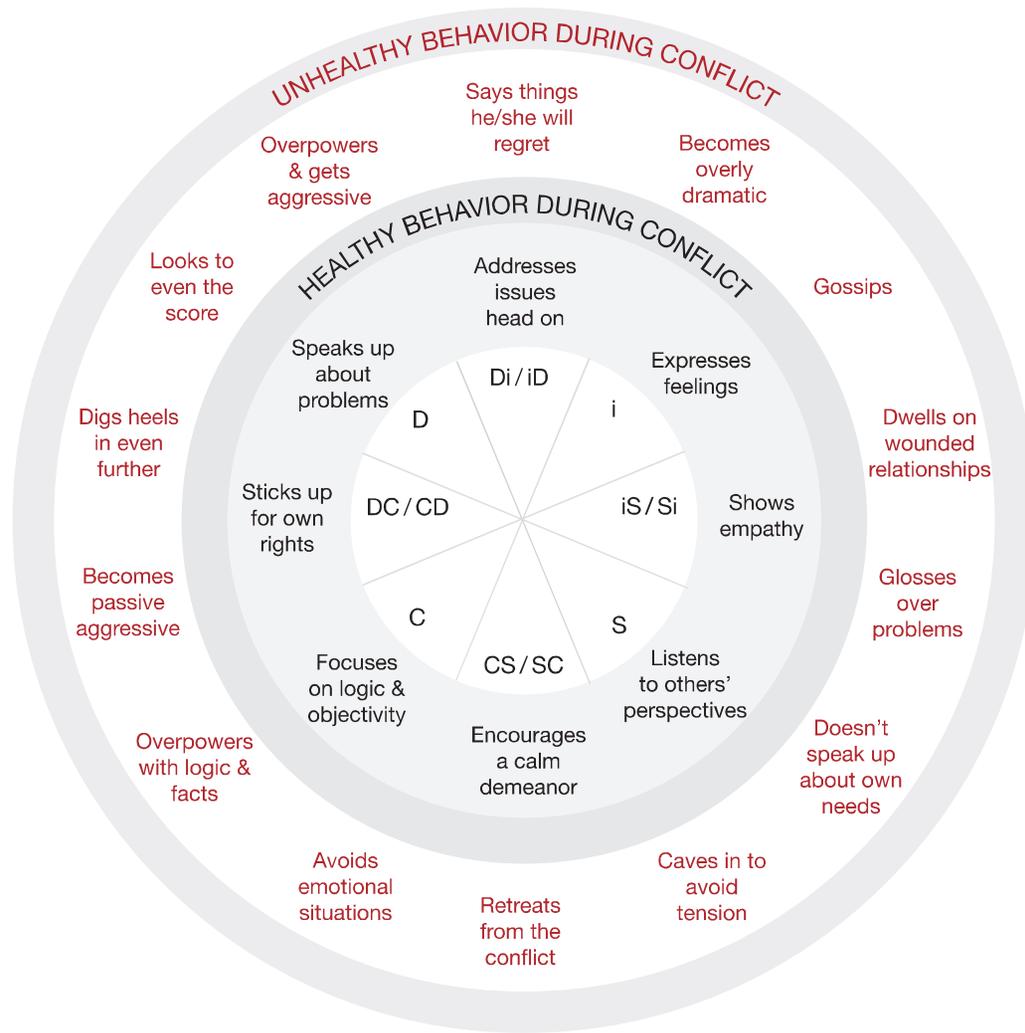


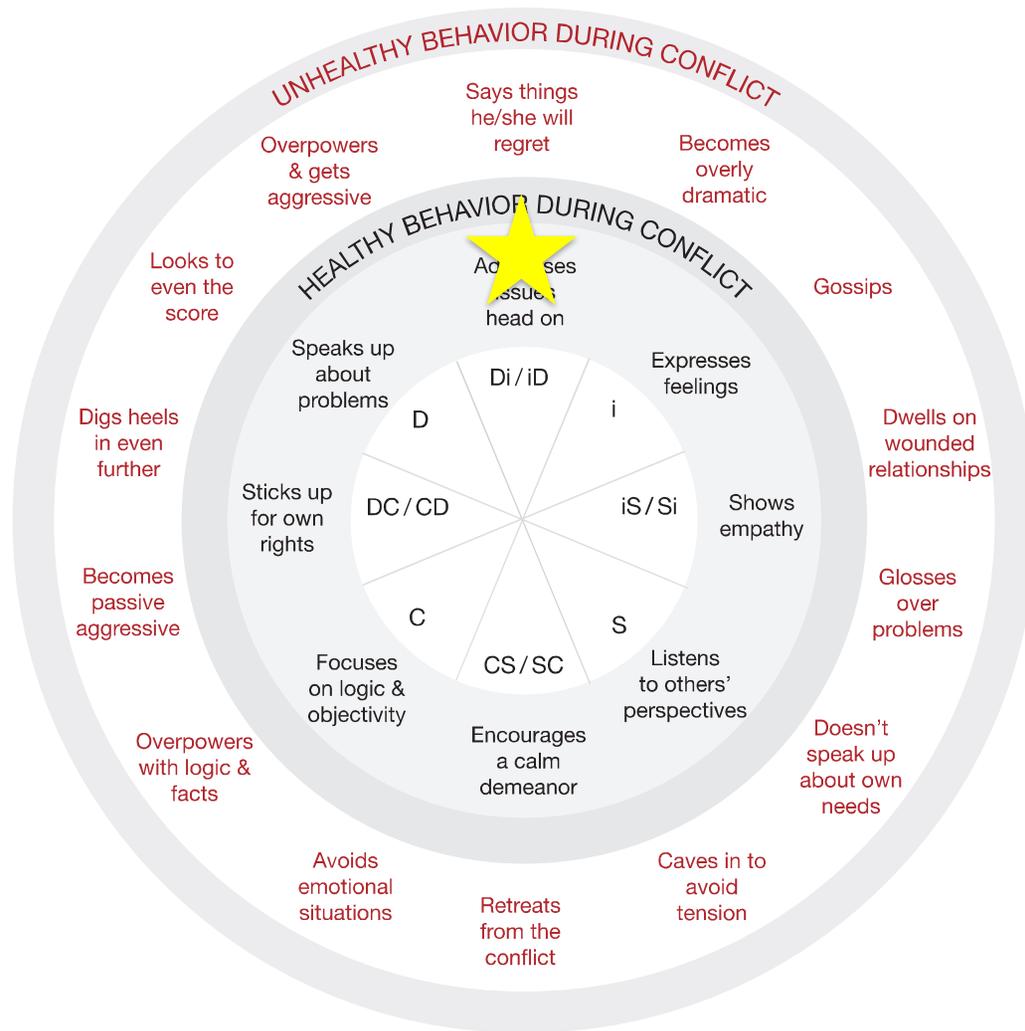
Hold up the D, i, S or C card for  
**YOUR** dominant style.

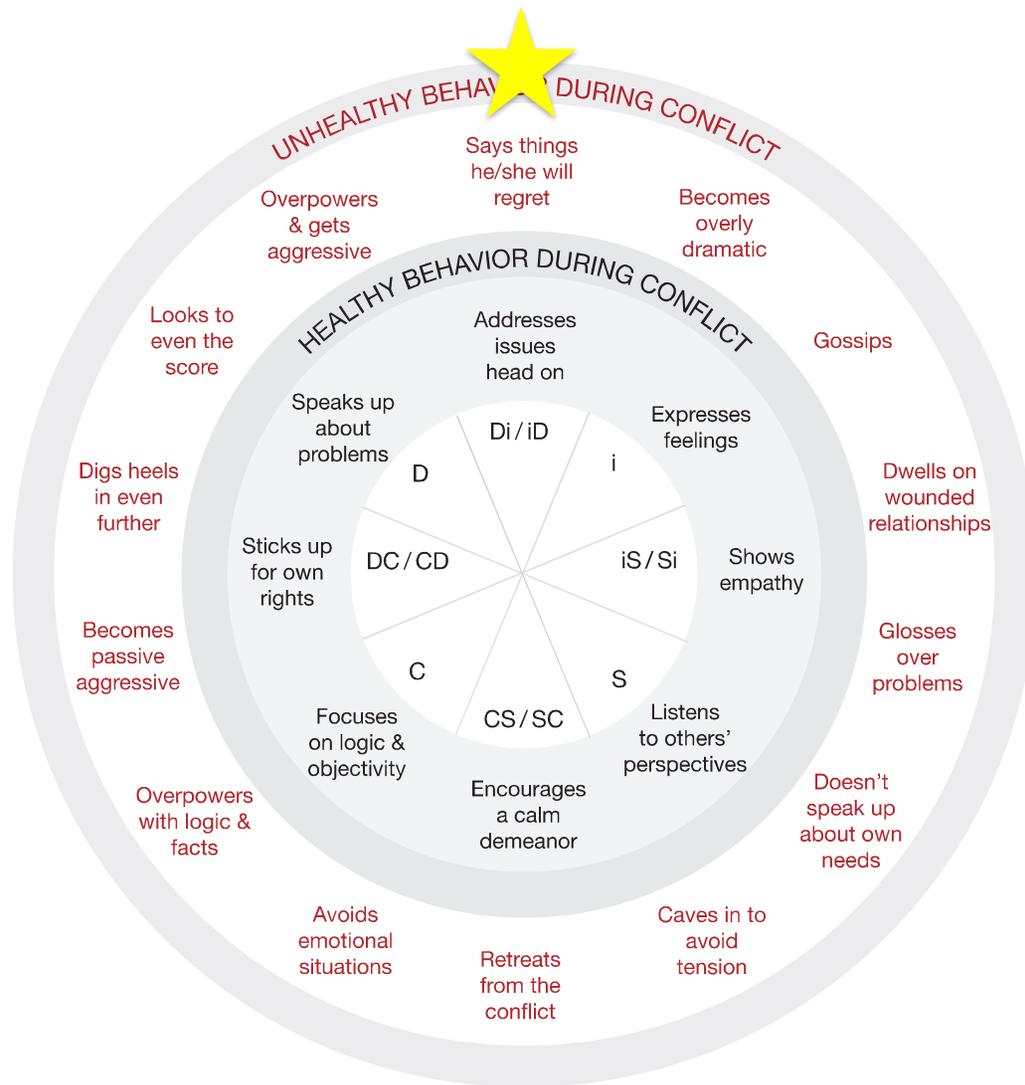
- Cascading workshop model
- The workshop
- After the workshop

# The Five Behaviors™ Model









# Conflict Norms

- Raising your voice when you get passionate

Unacceptable



Tolerable



Acceptable



# Conflict Norms



- Avoiding someone when you're angry
- Going beyond the meeting end time to resolve an issue
- Expressing anger through indirection actions rather than voicing it directly

# Department of Licensing Final Thoughts



- We are uniquely different; we are a unique blend of work styles
- As a leader, understanding human behavior and motivation can be a challenging but rewarding responsibility
- Increase your self-awareness; how you and others respond to conflict; what motivates you and others; what causes stress for you and others and how you solve problems.

# Department of Licensing Final Thoughts



- You can lead more effectively (and be an ideal team player) when you understand the work styles and motivations of your peers, employees, and team members.
- The sky's the limit...go there!



