# RESILIENCE IN A COVID-19 ERA

# Resilience is...

- Agility in the face of adversity.
- Ability to effectively manage mental, emotional and physical energy.
- A commitment to learn and grow.
- A mindset to retain clarity and focus, even in crisis.
- A capacity to learn and re-emerge from crises stronger.
- A critical part of wellbeing.

While some leaders are naturally more resilient, anyone can foster and promote resilience. The best leaders and happiest people actively cultivate this capacity.

Resilience is built by:

- Consistently challenging and stretching oneself (i.e., taking on new challenges as a habit); &
- Developing the skills needed to manage demands (e.g., resilient people recognize the physiological experience of stress and take it as a sign to slow down and recharge).

# Why Resilience Matters and Is Worth the Investment

We all experience adversity. It is the capacity to engage with and adapt that makes us stronger.

RESILIENT <b>LEADERS</b>	RESILIENT <b>TEAMS</b>
<ul> <li>Have the agility to face fears and take decisive action.</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Find a sense of purpose and clarity.</li><li>Exhibit greater</li></ul>
<ul> <li>Design integrated responses (lead with head and heart).</li> </ul>	cohesion, industriousness, enthusiasm, and loyalty.
• Engage now with the future in mind.	<ul> <li>Demonstrate greater trust.</li> </ul>

# **Resilience Delivers a 2.3 Return**

A 2014 **PWC study** found that building a mentally healthy workplace--and resilience promotion is part of the process--yields a positive return on investment. For every dollar spent on resilience promotion and mental health, organizations yield a \$2.30 return.



# Resilient individuals Proactively Cultivate...

## **AWARENESS**

They are aware of their own limitations and what they need to support their holistic wellbeing.

## **CONTROLLED ATTENTION**

They are present to their state and mindful.

# **MEANING MAKING**

They can develop and own a narrative about what is happening, even when faced with a challenge.

## **EMPATHY**

They feel people's pain and intuitively know how to communicate this to others.

## **AGILITY**

They can shift gears quickly to respond to change.

# **FOCUSED BANDWIDTH**

They know how to bring the right focus to the right things at the right time.

## REFLECTION WITHOUT RUMINATION

Embracing a growth mindset, they reflect on the past to better plan for the future.

# **AIM Leadership's Approach to Resilience Development**

AIM Leadership's approach to resilience development harnesses insights from psychology and neuroscience. We offer both tactical strategies and vertical learning to promote resilience.

We accelerate your ability to know yourself and understand what you need to recover, optimize, and build resilience now.



# **PROMOTE SELF-AWARENESS**

Assess your current state and prioritize which actions will give you the most leverage to drive change.



# **UNCOVER ROOT CAUSES**

Engage in one-on-one discussions with Dr. Camille Preston to uncover blockages to resilience. Activate those parts of the brain that drive resilience.



## **CLARIFY PRIORITIES**

Identify what really matters in the face of the current economic crisis (for you, your team, and your business).



# **FOSTER AGILITY**

Foster the flexibility and adaptability needed to achieve goals in a radically upended world.



# **BUILD BANDWIDTH**

Make tactical changes to ensure you have the emotional and physical reserves needed to respond to challenges and achieve your life goals.



# **OPTIMIZE GROWTH**

Optimize your systems to build resilience (i.e., the ability to thrive under pressure). Accelerate your pathway to posttraumatic growth.

# **Work With Us**

<u>Contact AIM Leadership</u> to engage in a complementary diagnostic and discover how to create a resilience promotion program for you and your team.

