Goals of Interpersonal Effectiveness

OBJECTIVES EFFECTIVENESS:

Getting Your Objectives or Goals in a Situation

- Obtaining your legitimate rights
- Getting another to do something
- Refusing an unwanted or unreasonable request
- Resolving an interpersonal conflict
- Getting your opinion or point of view taken seriously

QUESTIONS

- 1. What specific results or changes do I want from this interaction?
- 2. What do I have to do to get the results? What will work?

RELATIONSHIP EFFECTIVENESS:

Getting or Keeping a Good Relationship

- Acting in such a way that the other person keeps liking and respecting you
- Balancing immediate goals with the good of the long-term relationship

QUESTIONS

- 1. How do I want the other person to feel about me after the interaction is over?
- 2. What do I have to do to get (or keep) this relationship?

SELF-RESPECT EFFECTIVENESS:

Keeping or Improving Self-Respect and Liking for Yourself

- Respecting your own values and beliefs; acting in a way that feels moral to you
- Acting in a way that makes you feel capable and effective

QUESTIONS

- 1. How do I want to feel about myself after the interaction is over?
- 2. What do I have to do to feel that way about myself? What will work?