

# **SUPPORT FOR IMMIGRANT AND REFUGEE FAMILIES:**

### RAISING AWARENESS OF CURRENT POLITICAL CLIMATE

## **AGENDA: Module 1**

### I. Welcome

## II. Workshop Objectives:

- 1. To provide participants a brief background on the characteristics and factors of migration and value immigrants as active agents of a changing society
- 2. To help participants understand recent immigration enforcements; the antiimmigrant atmosphere it has created and how we can avoid anxiety and fear in our communities through education
- 3. To inform participants of their legal rights and options, and provide them with the basic information about the importance of "Know Your Rights" campaign and presentations
- 4. To provide participants with a directory of on-line resources that offer reliable and accurate information to empower immigrants
- 5. To deepen relationships among community, staff and families by understanding the importance of promoting a shared vision that immigrant communities are assets and not a deficit

# III. Community Building Activity (whole group)

- 1. What is your immigrant background? What do you value most about your culture, traditions?
- 2. How are you making sure that value continues in your family?

Mining the Wisdom - Brief synthesis of the Community Building Activity

KWL chart – first column
K: What do we know about immigrant and refugee communities in the US, community, school? Who are these families? Characteristics?

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## IV. Open Dialog

KWL chart – second column

**W:** What would you like to learn more about today's topic Support for immigrant families?

- V. Presentation: "Support for Immigrant and Refugee Families: raising awareness of current political climate"
- VI. Activity- What are the characteristics of an immigrant/refugee

Activity- Setting the focus: Immigration quiz and discussion

Take the PBS Immigration quiz

http: <a href="https://www.pbs.org/independentlens/blog/immigration-quiz-2/">www.pbs.org/independentlens/blog/immigration-quiz-2/</a> Partner discussion: which answer surprised you the most? Why?

**Activity**: KYR- Infographic charts

VII. KWL chart - third column

L:

- 1. What did you learn?
- 2. What will you be able to do as a participant with the information and/or knowledge you gained?
- 3. What suggestions do you have to improve the presentation?
- VIII. Action: Create your own immigration story
- IX. Final Word (explain the importance of the last word- creates unity)

# **List of Resources and Links**

PBS Immigration guiz

http: www.pbs.org/independentlens/blog/immigration-quiz-2/

Immigration Timeline

 $\underline{www.pbs.org/frontlineworld/stories/mexico704/history/timeline.html}$