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BCI to host Virtual Workshop Exploring the Hidden Power of Racism in the Workplace

SOUTH HOLLAND, IL—The Business & Career Institute (BCI) of South Suburban College presents a virtual workshop entitled *Racism Anonymous: Exploring the Hidden Power of Racism in the Workplace* on Thursday, February 25th from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon.

In this engaging 3-hour introductory workshop, participants will explore the internal and external influences that shape our personal and racial identities. The webinar will examine racism and how those mostly invisible forces elicit structural advantages for some, but also create many harmful impacts on our society and those living within it.

Facilitator Leah Hinton will primarily address four crucial questions that will include:

- 1. What is racism really and how does it affect everyone?
- 2. How has racism contributed to the shaping of your identity?
- 3. How does racism show up as a power system in our culture and at work?
- 4. What do I need to know in order to fight racism on the job?

This introductory workshop demonstrates that productive conversations about race are possible and that there is an effective methodology for facilitating them. The workshop may serve as a starting point for an organizational journey toward becoming an anti-racist, multicultural organization.

About the facilitator: Leah Hinton is a native of the south suburban Chicago area who has an extensive background in human resources with a concentration in talent acquisition, training, diversity people culture and professional development. Leah holds a BA from Chicago State University. Her work experience includes cooperative, organizational and agency employment relations. Leah is excited to bring this important dialogue to the southland business community.

Who should attend?

- Business owners, administrators, C-suite executives
- Supervisors, managers, team leaders
- Human resources professionals
- Employees
- Anyone aligned with the fight against racism

There are 3.0 PDCs available for SHRM-CP, SHRM-SCP and HRCI certification holders. Certificates of completion will be available upon request.

This virtual workshop is sponsored in part by Providence Bank, the South Holland Business Association and the South Suburban Cook HR Association. The cost to attend is just \$35 per person or \$30 per person if three or more from the same company attend. To register, please call (708) 225-6055 or email bci@ssc.edu. Zoom link will be provided after receipt of payment. RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED BY 12 NOON ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23RD. For other questions, please email aglumac@ssc.edu.

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