**The SEMPRE Thermometer**

In this value based exercise, participants can take a stand for a statement by placing themselves along an imaginary line on the floor. It is of course possible to make up and use your own statements and replace the suggested ones with your own.

**Information**

Time required: 10-20 minutes

Participants/Users: participants of the Team-engaging Workshop

Who does this: leader/moderator

Material and setting: an open space or a bigger room

**Instructions for the leader or moderator**

You as a leader or a moderator read a statement for the group. Participants can then take a stand on the claim by placing themselves along an imaginary line on the floor. The different ends of the line represent different extremes, as in a thermometer. For example, if one end represents "I totally agree" then the other end represents "I do not agree at all". The space between these is a diminishing scale between the two views.

Give the instructions to the participants. Remind them that no response is correct or wrong but should reflect the participants' opinions.

Read a statement and give the participants time to place themselves along the "thermometer". When everyone is ready, ask them to turn to their closest participant and discuss why they are where they are. After a few minutes you can open up the discussion and allow those participants that want to, to share their thoughts. It's okay for opinions to change during the process.

**Statements:**

* All service users (regardless of ethnicity, religious beliefs, sexual orientation, disabilities, age, gender and gender identity) carry knowledge that is important for the development of a social service.
* Service user participation is always beneficial.
* I do not have preconceptions regarding service user needs.
* I do not have preconceptions regarding service user abilities.
* It belongs to my professional self-conception that I know the needs of the users.
* I am in a position of power when I meet the service users.
* By making our organisation aware of differences connected to identity and vulnerability and different power positions between our organisation and service users, we can create more equality and empowerment.
* Service user involvement challenges our organisation.
* Service user involvement changes our organisation.

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