

A do-it-yourself AND share-it-with others reflection and discussion guide for:

Arrive & Thrive: 7 impactful Practices for Women Navigating Leadership

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with more
successful,
thriving women
leaders is a
better world
for all of
humankind."

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### **PRACTICE 1**

Investing in Your Best Self: lead from the best part of yourself—and ensure you tend to your mind, body, and spirit for continual renewal

- How did this chapter change or reinforce the way you thought about managing yourself?
- When is a time you have been in your best-self zone? What were the enablers for this? When is a time you were not leading from your best self? What were the blockers that contributed to this?
- What can you do to return to your best self?
- How can you support others to lead from their best self?
- Thriver's Wisdom Takeaway: What did you appreciate about Sandra Fenwick's story of leading from her best self?

### **PRACTICE 2**

# Embracing Authenticity: with intention and ease, bring your whole self to work

- How did this chapter change or reinforce the way you thought about authenticity?
- Think of a time when you purposefully left a part of yourself out of a professional situation. What was it that you prevented you from being you? What was the impact?
- How has your authentic self shifted over time? Use the Arrive & Thrive Values Tool® to help.
- What actions can you take to better foster an environment where others feel they can bring their whole self to work?
- Thriver's Wisdom Takeaway: What did you appreciate about Carla Harris' story of the "real deal?"



#### **PRACTICE 3**

# Cultivating Courage: commit to action, alongside acknowledging and overcoming your fear of doing so

- How did this chapter change or reinforce the way you thought about courage?
- Think of a time you witnessed another person act with courage in a professional setting. What did they do? What did you notice? What was courageous about the act and what was the outcome?
- What ways have you tapped others for support as you advanced in your career, and when have you been shy to ask for help?
- How can you support others in your organization to cultivate courage?
- Thriver's Wisdom Takeaway: What did you appreciate about Natalie Martinez's story of no time for fear in the non-profit world?

## **PRACTICE 4**

# Fostering Resilience: keep up with the pace and intensity while overcoming setbacks and emerging stronger than before

- How did this chapter change or reinforce the way you thought about resilience?
- Map your current professional context to the S Curve of Learning. What is clear to you?
- Fill out the Resiliency Diagnostic. Where might you have confidence gaps for resiliency?
- What lessons of resilience can you share with others that may build their confidence?
- Thriver's Wisdom Takeaway: What did you appreciate about Beth Ford's story of thriving in six industries?

#### **PRACTICE 5**

# Inspiring a Bold Vision: enroll others in a mission that awakens their spirit and desire to create a future that does not yet exist

- How did this chapter change or reinforce the way you thought about vision?
- Journal about a compelling and achievable story for your future, something that captures your heart. Share with a trusted confidant.
- Do you believe there is a compelling and inspiring vision for your organization?Why or why not?
- How can you contribute to the narrative of your team/organization's vision? In what ways could it better be carried forth?
- Thriver's Wisdom Takeaway: What did you appreciate about Helen Drinan's story of doing well by doing good?



#### **PRACTICE 6**

Creating a Healthy Team Environment: personify your organization's values and standards while creating an environment that is supportive, collaborative, and healthy

- How did this chapter change or reinforce the way you thought about healthy teams?
- Which of the six essential actions to creating a healthy team environment did you find yourself most drawn to / have interest? Why?
- The authors posit the 6th action psychological safety is the only one that, if absent, kills the effectiveness of the team, even if the other five are present. Do you agree? Why or why not?
- How can you better support the creation of a healthy team environment in your organization?
- Thriver's Wisdom Takeaway: What did you appreciate about Linda Henry's story of being safe and heard?

### **PRACTICE 7**

Committing to the Work of the Inclusive Leader™: model the way for others while creating the culture of equity and inclusion needed for high performance

- How did this chapter change or reinforce the way you thought about leading inclusively?
- What does committing to the Work of the Inclusive Leader<sup>™</sup> mean to you? How would you rate how you are doing?
- Using the Equity Activation Model, what cultural orthodoxies may need to be flipped in your organization in order to achieve equity?
- Where are people thriving? What have you noticed makes employees feel like they're thriving?
- Thriver's Wisdom Takeaway: What did you appreciate about Dan Helfrich's story of living and leading diversity?