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Alcohol at Sea

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PERSPECTIVE

- Programmatic elements of a comprehensive prevention strategy.
- Translating policy, research, strategies, and programs to real-world applications.
- Pursuing approaches to prevention that are realistic, actionable, and credible to the people who ultimately make or break these efforts on a vessel– the crew.



WEIGHTED RESPONSIBILITY: RISK, INFLUENCE, AND OPPORTUNITY.

- Limiting additional risk to those at greatest risk.
 - Preventing sexual harassment/assault is actually *not* “everyone’s responsibility.”
 - Everyone that “sees something” *shouldn’t* actually “say something.”
- Leveraging those with greatest influence and opportunity.
 - Diffusion of Innovations.
- Limitations of bystander intervention.
 - Assumption that bystanders intervening is the best choice.
 - Taking the risks and costs of intervening more seriously.
 - Expanding the options for bystanders.
 - Aligning intervention options with risk, influence, and opportunity.



OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

- The focus of programmatic prevention initiatives.
 - High risk groups vs high influence groups.
- Training delivery and context.
 - Do no harm.
- The implications of context and organizational structure.