

Talking Diversity: Taking the Adversity Out of Diversity

July 20, 2017, 11:30AM – 1PM

Main Hospital, Stokes Auditorium

Our patterns of communication are vital to our success when exploring such explosive issues as race, gender, sexual orientation, class, disabilities, age and religion. Our biggest challenge in achieving this goal is our fear of being judged and misunderstood. This fear prevents good people from taking meaningful action. At times we are so afraid of saying the 'wrong' thing that we make the biggest mistake of all which is to say nothing. This honest and engaging program will help us get beyond our fear of saying the 'wrong' thing and teaches more effective and compassionate ways to connect.

Lunch will be provided, so please be sure to register for ***Talking Diversity: Taking the Adversity Out of Diversity*** in Learning, found in MyCareer@CHOP (<https://at.chop.edu/hr/career>).



Dr. Maura Cullen is returning to CHOP for a different program than her successful *Dumb Things* session in January. Dr. Cullen is widely considered one of the nation's foremost authorities on issues of diversity and inclusion. With over 30 years of experience as a trainer and keynote speaker, she received her doctorate in Social Justice and Diversity Education from the University of Massachusetts. Maura is a founding faculty member of the Social Justice Training Institute and author of *35 Dumb Things Well-Intended People Say*.

This program is part of the Office of Diversity and Inclusion's *Talking Diversity*, a series of monthly programs that foster inclusion, facilitate conversation about diversity topics, and provide CHOP resources to employees for more support, understanding, and opportunities. For more information regarding continuing education credits for the Talking Diversity series, please visit ODI's @CHOP site (<https://at.chop.edu/hr/diversity>).