# TIPS FOR WORKING WELL AND POSITIVELY WITH ACTIVE ADULTS

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#### How to Interact with Older Adults

Do not have pre-conceived expectations

Think about your tone and body language

 Do not make assumptions about someone's capabilities because of their age



### What to do when a Class or Activity is not appropriate for a person

Recognising the problem

How to address the issue appropriately

What else can you offer?



#### Dealing with "difficult" people

- Emotional Intelligence (EQ or EI)
  - Do not take it personally
  - Put yourself in their shoes
- Understanding without mollycoddling
- Acknowledging how brave older adults are
- Motivating reluctant older adults



## The most important part...being social and making friends!



