




2016 IPHHSP Summit

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SIX THINKING HATS WORKSHEET

Thinking Hat	Guiding Questions	Comments
White Hat  Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ What information do we have?➤ What are the facts?➤ What information do we need?➤ What do we want to know?➤ How are we going to get the information we need?	
Red Hat  Feelings	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ How do we feel about this?➤ What is your intuition/opinion about this?➤ What emotions are involved here?	
Yellow Hat  Benefits	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ What ideas and suggestions are there for how to approach this problem?➤ What positives can you see in this idea?➤ Under what conditions could this idea work?➤ What is your vision for how this could work?	




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<p>Black Hat</p>  <p>Judgement</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ What will happen if we take this action?➤ What can go wrong if we proceed with this idea or implement this suggestion?➤ What are the weaknesses to overcome?	
<p>Green Hat</p>  <p>Creativity</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ What are some fresh ideas and approaches?➤ What are all the alternatives?➤ Think outside the box	
<p>Blue Hat</p>  <p>Process</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ What thinking is needed?➤ Where are we now?➤ What are next steps?➤ What sort of outcome would we regard as successful?	

Reference: de Bono, E. (1999). Six Thinking Hats. Little, Brown and Company. Boston



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