WORKING REMOTLEY VIDEO CONFERENCING CHECKLIST

Purpose

Working remotely and collaborating with our colleagues is made easier by meeting virtually and utilizing web conferencing to connect us and advance work. This checklist is intended to encourage the use of video conferencing and recommended best practices.

Before the session/meeting, do this…	During the session/meeting, do this
 Set up your webcam in a usable position. Prop up laptop/camera to an optimal position Not too high or low Roughly at eye level Adjust your chair for posture 	 Treat it like a face-to-face meeting. Focus on your audience Remove or minimize distractions Be present now!
 Check your lighting and background. Use two light sources If there is a window, make sure you are facing it – don't have it at your back Check for glare on monitors, glasses, and pictures Set a professional background – remove clutter or anything distracting or inappropriate 	 Simulate eye contact. Keep eye contact during the meeting Don't avoid the camera and don't stare at the camera Speak to the camera as if it were a person
 Participate in a practice run Verify lighting, background, posture Verify how you appear in the window – not too big, or small Turn camera on and off Turn audio on and off Gather everything you need (remove what you don't need) Make sure your headset is working and positioned correctly Test your volume levels 	 Focus on your audience Minimize distractions and maintain focus Turn off your phone and IM and close the door

