Unconscious Bigs @ Work:

Structural Strategies to Manage & Mitigate Bias

ATTRACT SELECT DEVELOP RETAIN

paradigm

ATTRACT — MEASURE

Measure sources of diverse candidates

ATTRACT — STRATEGIES

- Create a job description template
- Portray an inclusive company
- Include a statement about diversity

SELECT — MEASURE

Monitor recruiting pipeline for leaks

SELECT — STRATEGIES

- Establish a "pre-brief" process to define each role
- Conduct structured interviews
- Embed reminders about bias
- Set rules for determining compensation

DEVELOP — MEASURE

DEVELOP — STRATEGIES

Measure distribution of assignments, performance, promotion, and compensation outcomes

- Establish a formal mentoring program
- Add structure to manager feedback
- Create level descriptions to guide promotions
- Consider multiple candidates at the same time

RETAIN — MEASURE

RETAIN — STRATEGIES

Survey employees to understand their experiences

- Design meetings to minimize interruption
- Identify and rotate office housework tasks
- Create supportive policies and benefits
- Hold inclusive work events

"The odds of limiting the constraints of biases rise when discussion of them is widespread."

-Nobel Prize winner Daniel Kahneman

