# Job Aid - How to Identify Your Personal Barriers at Work

**Purpose:** This job aid provides guidance on how to identify personal internal and external barriers at work for Asian female immigrants to break the bamboo ceiling.

## **Self-Reflection**

- Take time to reflect on your personal values, beliefs, and goals.
- Identify any self-limiting beliefs or biases that may be holding you back.
- Consider how your cultural background and experiences may impact your work.

### **Identify External Barriers**

- Pay attention to any biases, discrimination, or cultural differences you may experience at work.
- Observe how your gender, ethnicity, or cultural background may impact your interactions with colleagues, managers, and clients.
- Look for patterns or recurring issues that may be barriers to your success.

### **Identify Internal Barriers**

- Consider any personal limitations or fears that may be holding you back.
- Evaluate how your mindset or attitudes may be affecting your work.
- Look for patterns or recurring issues

that may be barriers to your success.



#### Take Action

- Develop a plan to address the barriers you have identified.
- Seek out mentors, allies, or supportive networks to help you overcome these barriers.
- Take steps to build your confidence, skills, and knowledge to break through the bamboo ceiling.

Remember, breaking through the bamboo ceiling takes time and effort.

Use this job aid to help you identify personal internal and external barriers, and take action to overcome them. Good luck!