

# The NSA Leadership Certificate Program at NSA Aspire 2024



## Session 6: Ethical Leadership and Integrity in Accounting & Personal Development (1 hour)

### Session Schedule:

- 20 minutes of lecture
- 10 minutes of Q&A
- 10-minute exercise
- 10 minutes of discussion
- 10 minutes of summary and closing

### Session Description:

In this concluding session, we will explore the essential principles of ethical leadership and integrity within the accounting profession. We will also focus on personal development and growth, emphasizing the importance of continuous self-improvement for accounting leaders.

### Agenda:

#### 1. Lecture (20 minutes):

- Introduction to the significance of ethical leadership and integrity in the accounting profession.
- Exploration of ethical leadership principles specific to accounting firms.
- Discussion of how the 7 Habits framework aligns with ethical leadership.
- Insights on personal development and growth in the accounting context.

#### 2. Q&A (10 minutes):

- Participants will have the opportunity to ask questions about ethical leadership, integrity, personal development, and the integration of the 7 Habits.
- Facilitator will address queries and provide guidance on ethical decision-making and personal growth in the accounting profession.

#### 3. Exercise (10 minutes):

- Participants will engage in a reflective exercise focused on ethical leadership and personal development.
- The exercise may involve self-assessment and goal setting related to personal and professional growth.
- Participants will identify areas for ethical improvement and personal development.

#### 4. Discussion (10 minutes):

- Small group discussions or breakout sessions (if applicable) to share insights and experiences from the exercise.
- Participants will discuss the challenges and opportunities of ethical leadership and personal development in the accounting profession.
- Sharing of strategies for fostering a culture of integrity and continuous improvement within accounting firms.

#### 5. Summary and Closing (10 minutes):

- Recap of key takeaways from the lecture, exercise, and discussions.
- Emphasis on the critical role of ethical leadership, integrity, and personal growth in the accounting profession.
- Announcement of post-program resources, networking opportunities, or mentorship programs for ongoing support.
- Encouragement for participants to create personalized leadership development plans based on the principles covered in the program.

By the end of Session 6, participants will have gained a deep understanding of ethical leadership, integrity, and personal development within the accounting profession. They will also have developed insights into how the 7 Habits framework can be

applied to ethical decision-making and continuous improvement. The session will conclude with a commitment to ethical leadership and personal development, setting the stage for participants to thrive as accounting firm leaders.