



# EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

CRITICAL THINKING IS THE ABILITY TO ANALYZE, ASSESS, REASON, AND EVALUATE INFORMATION BY FOLLOWING A SYSTEMATIC AND STRUCTURED PROCESS.

### LEARNING OUTCOMES

BY THE END OF THIS WORKSHOP, PARTICIPANTS WILL BE ABLE TO:

- IDENTIFY ELEMENTS OF CRITICAL THINKING
- EXPLORE CHARACTERISTICS OF CRITICAL THINKING
- INDICATE THE EXTENT TO WHICH THEY ARE CRITICAL THINKERS

### ELEMENTS OF CRITICAL THINKING

CRITICAL THINKERS CONSIDER:

- SETTLING SPECIFIC ACHIEVABLE AND MEASURABLE OBJECTIVES
- DEFINING THE ISSUE UNDER INQUIRY
- ACCESSING, COLLECTING, ANALYZING, AND EVALUATING RELEVANT INFORMATION
- IDENTIFYING THE BASIC CONCEPTS AND THEORIES
- DEFINING ASSUMPTIONS
- ANALYZING THE PERSPECTIVE ON WHICH THE THINKING PROCESS IS BASED
- EXAMINING THE IMPLICATIONS AND IMPACT OF THE FINDINGS FROM DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVES