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Weekly Public Affairs Program

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1. Carol L. Rickard, Tobacco Treatment Specialist, author of "The Benefits of Smoking: Why It's So Hard to Quit Smoking and What You Can Do about It"

70% of smokers would like to quit, but only 4 to 7% will be successful. Ms. Rickard explained what smokers perceive as the benefits and why it's so hard for people to kick the habit once they've started. She also discussed the potential risks associated with e-cigarettes and vaping. She suggested resources that smokers can use to quit for good.

Issues covered:
Women's Issues
Consumer Matters
Parenting
Media

2. **Mathew Freeman,** Co-Founder and Senior Executive Consultant at TMI Consulting, a diversity and inclusion management consulting firm, co-author of "Overcoming Bias: Building Authentic Relationships across Differences""

Mr. Freeman said every human is biased in one way or another, and it's a constant process to recognize and reduce it. He explained why bias has such an impact in every aspect of life, and how companies should address it in the workplace. He said the secret to dealing with bias is by intentionally cultivating meaningful relationships with those who are different.

Issues covered:
Diversity
Minority Concerns
Workplace Matters

3. **Gloria Lopez-Cordle**, nationally-recognized patient advocate, creator of "the Personal Medical Journal", a patient organizational tool

A recent study found that American hospitals are making preventable medical errors that kill thousands of Americans each year. Ms. Lopez-Cordle believes that patients and their families need to take charge of their medical information to prevent mistakes by doctors. She offered advice on what kinds of medical data is important and how to organize it.

<u>Issues covered:</u> Personal Health Length: 4:48

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