

## RISK MANAGEMENT FOR LEADERS

## **Certificate Series**

### **Engaging and Empowering Teams**

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## **Risk Management for Leaders Certificate Series**

A Framework for Success

Commitment to Safety – A Way of Doing Business

Cultural Impact on Safety

#### Engaging and Empowering Teams

Continuous Improvement – A Fundamental of Growth

The Power of Communication and Transparency





## **Cost of Disengaged Employees**

A Look at Industry Trends



## Engaged Employees Incur Far Less Costs than Disengaged Employees!

Companies with a highly engaged workforce have...





Source: Gallup Organization

## **Cost of Disengaged Employees?**

Low engagement leads impacts the bottom line



## \$450 to \$500 billion

The annual lost productivity costs due to disengaged employees in U.S.



Source: NIOSH

## **Leadership Responsibilities**

- 1. Creating Ownership and Accountability
- 2. Team Empowerment
- 3. Executing an Effective Feedback Loop
- 4. Creating an Atmosphere of Psychological Safety



## Poll

?

Our organization is intentional about team safety engagement.

- a. True
- b. False



## **Creating Ownership and Accountability**



#### **Involve Team in the Process 2** Assess Identify **1** .... **Risk** Management **Process** $\mathbf{S}$ Monitor & Report 4 **3** Treat



## Identifying and Assessing Risk

- Individual and joint hazard assessments
- Surveys and questionnaires
- Effective hazard reporting mechanisms
- Hazard focus groups
- Safety committee participation



## **Treating Risk**

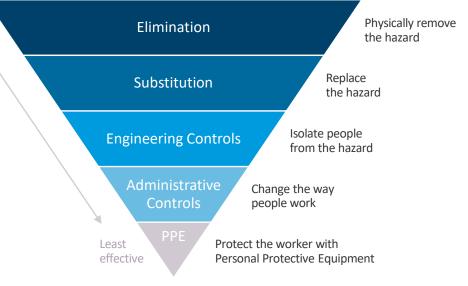
- Hazard workshops
- Workplace design
- Input for administrative controls

Most

effective

- Purchasing input
- PPE selection
- Training development and execution

#### **Hierarchy of Controls**





## **Monitoring and Reporting**

- Inspections
- Observations
- Hazard reporting and stop work
- Accident investigations



## **Integrate into Team Performance Metrics**

- Inspections
- Observations
- Use of PPE
- Unsafe acts
- Focus group/safety committee participation

"What gets measured gets done."

– Peter Drucker



## Leadership Performance Metrics

Safety by Objectives 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition – Dan Peterson

Things a supervisor should do to...

- Identify accident causes
- Identify and remove hazards
- Coach his or her people to do better
- Provide a motivational environment



## **Accident Causation Metrics**

Safety by Objectives 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition – Dan Peterson

#### Traditional

Accident investigations

- # completed
- # on time
- # causes identified/removed

- Safety sampling
- Statistical safety control
- Technique of operations review
- Incident recall techniques



## **Hazard ID and Removal Metrics**

Safety by Objectives 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition – Dan Peterson

#### **Traditional**

- Inspections
- Job hazard analysis

- Hazard hunts
- OSHA compliance checks
- Ergonomic analysis



## **Coaching Metrics**

Safety by Objectives 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition – Dan Peterson

#### Traditional

- Safety meetings
- Safety observations

- One-on-ones
- Safe behavior reinforcement
- One-minute safety programs
- Stress assessments



## **Motivation Metrics**

Safety by Objectives 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition – Dan Peterson

#### **Traditional**

Carrot and stick method(s)

- Worker safety analysis
- Inverse performance appraisals
- Safety improvement teams
- Climate analysis



## **Team Empowerment**



## **Give Them a Voice**

- Empower employees to act
- Act on team feedback
- Team member led inspections
- Open communication
- Informal safety conversations



## Resources to be Successful

- Sufficient budget for safety
- Time
- Proper equipment & PPE
- Access to SOPs
- Access to industry standards/ best practices



## **Skills to be Successful**

- Effective training
- Post training surveys
- Post training observation
- Detailed job descriptions
- Clear safe operation procedures
- Certifications/designations



## **Executing an Effective** Feedback Loop



## Multiple Reporting Mechanisms

- Suggestion boxes
- Hotlines
- Mobile apps
- Online platforms
- Anonymous reporting options





# **Encourage Regular and Open Communication**

- Regular safety meetings
- Safety committees
- Leadership meetings
- Formal and informal safety conversations
- Train team members on internal resources



## Timely Acknowledgement and Response

- Acknowledge feedback promptly
- Take immediate action on critical hazards
- Celebrate feedback



## Feedback Review and Analysis

- Leading indicators
- Lagging indicators
- Root cause analysis
- Prioritizing risk





## **Implement Corrective Action**

- Develop action plans
- Track progress
- Communicate progress





## Feedback to Team Members

- Close the loop
- Communicate outcomes
- Recognize contributions
- Demonstrate change through actions



## Psychological Safety



## What is Psychological Safety

"Psychological safety means an absence of interpersonal fear. When psychological safety is present, people are able to speak up with work relevant content."

– Amy Edmonson



## **Psychological Safety**

Employees believe that psychological safety in the workplace is essential.

– McKinsey & Company

2% Not important 9% Important, but not essential 899% Say it's essential

Responsibility of business leaders to create a safe and respectful workplace, US respondents



## Low Psychological Safety

- Fear
- Mistrust
- Apprehension
- Concern
- Guardedness



## Benefits of Psychological Safety

- Encourages speaking up
- Supports productive conflict
- Mitigates failure
- Increases operational excellence
- Promotes creativity and innovation
- Increases accountability and ownership



# What Psychological Safety is Not

- About being nice
- A personality factor
- Another word for trust
- About lowering performance standards

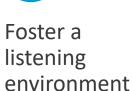


### **Creating Psychological Safety**





Model vulnerability





Celebrate safe acts



Express gratitude and appreciation



Normalize learning from mistakes



# **Model Vulnerability**

- Heighten and maintain your awareness
- Be bold in exhibiting vulnerability
- Demonstrate empathy
- Act with compassion





# **Foster a Listening Environment**

- Model active listening
- Encourage open dialogue
- Validate contributions
- Respond constructively





## **Celebrate Safe Acts**

- Reinforce positive behavior
- Demonstrate commitment
- Boost morale





## **Express Gratitude and Appreciation**

- Fosters trust and connection
- Encourages open communication
- Enhances engagement and motivation





# **Normalizing Learning from Mistakes**

Benefits:

- Encourages openness
- Promotes learning and improvement
- Encourages autonomy
- Builds resilience





# **Normalizing Learning from Mistakes**

**Requires:** 

- Organizational risk tolerance.
- Defined decision making process.
- Established confidence levels.





# **Normalizing Learning from Mistakes**

- Create a blame free environment
- Encourage open communication
- Lead by example
- Implement structured learning
- Recognize and reward transparency







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### Commitment

# What is **One action** you will take to foster Team Engagement in your safety and risk management program?



#### Resources

*Start with Why* – Simon Sinek Dare to Lead – Brené Brown *The Fearless Organization* – Amy C. Edmondson Safety by Objective – Dan Peterson People Work – Kevin Burns **Practical Loss Control Leadership** – Bird and Germain **Difficult Conversations** – Stone et al. *Influencer* – Patterson et al.



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