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On Wellness©

A primer on what's important for industry and individuals!

Session outline:

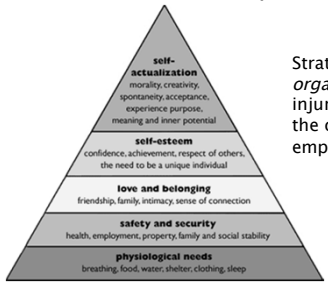
Intro

- Developing a mental map
- The problem
- Suggested strategies

Questions/Discussion

Developing our Mental Map

➤ Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs



Strategic management of *costly organizational phenomena* (fatality, injury, illness, wellness) is good for the organization *and* good for employees.

- ✓ Workplace health & wellness
- ✓ Workplace safety
- ✓ Workplace fatality

Developing our Mental Map

► What is it?

There are two reasons for adopting wellness activities and/or behaviors:

- ✓ Proactive – be better or preventative
- ✓ Reactive – responding to a symptom, threat, or irritant to physical system

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Developing our Mental Map

► What are its dimensions?

Personal	❖ Spiritual Involvement
Inter-personal	❖ Intellectual Standing
Inter-personal	❖ Social Balance
Inter-personal	❖ Emotional Balance
Personal	❖ Physical Wellness
Personal	❖ Environment

Core Areas for Wellness:

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Developing our Mental Map

► What are its dimensions?

Wellness Activities

Church/Faith/Enlightenment Meditation – Quiet moments/Reading	}	❖ Spiritual Involvement
Mentor/coach/personal counseling Family – friends – colloquies Community activates – work activities		❖ Intellectual Standing
Changes in diet – weight control Exercise – walking – jogging/gym/yoga Routine & pre-emptive health screenings	}	❖ Social Balance
		❖ Emotional Balance
		❖ Physical Wellness
		❖ Environment

Core Areas for Wellness:

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Core Areas for Wellness:

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Developing our Mental Map

- ✓ Workplace quality
- ✓ Interpersonal interactions
- ✓ Workplace health & wellness
- ✓ Workplace safety
- ✓ Workplace fatality

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Problem :

- › Industry targets:
 - ✓ Workplace health & wellness
 - ✓ Workplace safety
 - ✓ Workplace fatality

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- › Individual/personal targets:
 - ✓ Proactive – be better or preventative
 - ✓ Reactive – responding to a symptom, threat, or irritant to physical system

Problem:

▸ The accumulation of annoying incidents

Random Events/Occurrences	
Unpredictable	Predictable

Personal Foibles		
Did wrong	Forgot to do	Didn't get to do

Failed Expectations of 'Other(s)'		
You believe should happen	You asked to happen	Other(s) said would happen

Failed Expectations:

- Beliefs
- Personal goals
- Motivations/Aspirations
- Self image
- Self worth
- Ego & appearance
- Impact on you or how others perceive you
- Perceived/actual authority
- Challenges to self

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Living & working in the real world

▸ The accumulation of annoying incidents

- Failed expectations trigger automatic response reflexes
 - ✓ Isolated and/or accumulated annoyances trigger automatic reflexes that have a physiological impact on our emotions & feelings of well-being whether we realize it consciously or not.
 - ✓ Our responses are the result of our brains self-serving determinations regarding "what's going on?".
 - ✓ The body registers the event(s) as "stress".

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Living & working in the real world

▸ The accumulation of annoying incidents

- Failed expectations trigger automatic response reflexes
- Real or perceived threats generate stress and bad feelings
 - ✓ The brain records all events as real, creating justifications for future actions (I.e., Illusions).

"Illusions are distorted perceptions that do not convey accurate information about the "external world" as philosophers refer to all that is outside our skin. Our behavior is based on the assumption that our perceptions are accurate."

Managing Differences Daniel Dana, Ph.D.

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Problem:

- Understanding interactions as triggering events
- Connecting the dots between “Stress” and “Wellness”

✓ The ‘wellness’ emphasis is focused more on the symptomatic results of stress rather than the ever present stress related problem of,

Inter-personal relationships, managing miscommunication, and conflict management

- ❖ Spiritual Involvement
- ❖ Intellectual Standing
- ❖ Social Balance
- ❖ Emotional Balance
- ❖ Physical Wellness
- ❖ Environment

Core Areas for Wellness:

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Strategies for change

- Organizational options:
Strategic management of:
 - ✓ Workplace fatality
 - ✓ Workplace safety
 - ✓ Workplace health and wellness
 - ✓ Workplace quality
 - ✓ Workplace communication & conflict

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Strategies for change

- Organizational Protocols:
 - ✓ Establish interpersonal communication requirements;
 - Communication;
 - Collaboration;
 - Cooperation; and
 - Control.

Behavioral actions

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Strategies for change

- Organizational Protocols:
 - Establish conflict management plan;

Every organization has a conflict management strategy . . .

. . . but few know what it is!

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Strategies for change

- Personal options:
 - “Do unto others.....”
 - “Forgive and forget”
 - “Turn the other cheek”
 - “Be the better person”
 - “Thou shalt not kill”


Walk-away behaviors

- Competency development in the 4-C's
 - Communication
 - Cooperation
 - Collaboration
 - Control

Dialogue behaviors

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Strategies for change

- Strategies for Change
 - Person-centered approach** 

The way and manner in which you speak to yourself:

- Is completely under your control
- Is similar but not the same as talking to “others”
- We know the truth - good, bad, & the ugly
- Is the only voice that can speak to your self-interest

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Strategies for Change

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Carl Ransom Rogers (January 8, 1902 – February 4, 1987)
Psychologist – one of the founders of the 'Humanistic Approach' to modern psychology.

Unconditional Positive Regard (UPR)

Basic acceptance and engagement with a person regardless of what the person says or does

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Strategies for Change

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Unconditional Positive Regard Potential

- Reduce feelings of "threat"
- Reduce general stress
- Reduce collecting "bad feelings"
- Reduce negative responses
- Short circuits the Retaliatory Cycle

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Strategies for Change

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Unconditional Positive Regard (UPR)

- ❖ Spiritual Involvement
- ❖ Intellectual Standing
- ❖ Social Balance
- ❖ Emotional Balance
- ❖ Physical Wellness
- ❖ Environment

✓ This is a proactive "wellness" behavior
✓ This is a positive behavioral action, and
✓ You do it for yourself – not for the 'Other'

Core Areas for Wellness:

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