

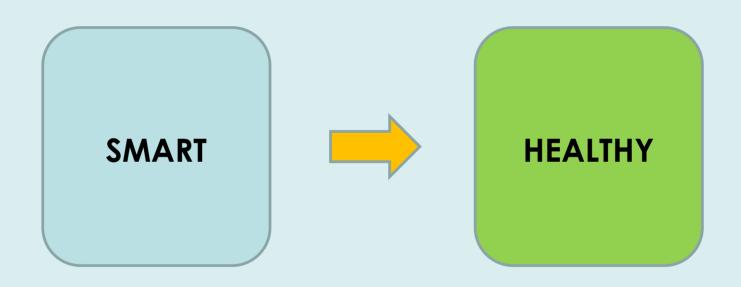
# Effective Teaming: Giving & Receiving Feedback

## What is a Team?

- Work toward common set of goals
- Member performance interdependent
- Share common leadership
- Fate dependent on team performance
- See themselves as part of team with common goals and shared values



#### **High Functioning Team**



- Intelligence
- Functional knowledge

- Diversity
- Self-awareness
- Emotional intelligence



### At your table, answer the following question:

In your experience, what elements make a team effective?



#### **High Performing Team Elements**

Emotional Intelligence

Psychological Safety

Defined Goals & Metrics

Team-Based Rewards

Team Solidarity



#### Emotional Intelligence

- Build trust through group awareness of team members
- Understand motivations/fears/ concerns of self and others
- Take the emotional temperature of the team



## Psychological Safety

- Giving thoughts/opinions without fear of reprisal
- Starts at the top and filters down
- Ensures that diversity of thought is appreciated



## Well-Defined Goals & Metrics

- Metrics must be easily understood and agreed upon
- Metrics must be precise
- Team must hold each other accountable for performance to goals



#### Team-Based Rewards & Evaluations

- Reward both individual and team performance
- Include peer assessments in formal feedback
- Discourage hero management



#### Support of the Organization

- Ongoing support from whole organization is key
- Orientation/training must be geared toward teamwork
- Assign leaders to teams to get firsthand knowledge of dynamics



#### **Teaming Tips**

#### DO

- Understand your team members
- Keep communication open
- Appreciate individual contributions
- 4. Foster group contribution

#### **DON'T**

- 1. Let disagreements fester
- 2. Gossip/ form factions
- 3. Let hero management rule
- 4. Keep wrong people on team too long



#### Teaming Skill: Giving /Receiving Feedback

**Thanks** 

- "This was a big help"
- "I appreciate all you've done"

Comments

- "Well done"
- "Seriously?"

Non-Verbal

- Head nod
- Eye roll



#### Feedback is misunderstood

Tension between learning and being accepted



## Benefits of receiving feedback well

- Makes relationships better
- Self-esteem more secure
- We learn
- We feel less threatened
- Fewer problems fester



We are easier to work with



#### **Three Feedback Triggers**

Truth Trigger

- "This feedback is ridiculous"
- "This feedback is just plain wrong"

Focus in on the feedback

Relationship Trigger

- "You have no credibility on this topic"
- "After all I've done for you?"

Focus in on the relationship

Identity Trigger

- "I am a horrible person. How could I have done that?"
- "I'm going to lose my job/become a bag lady"

Focus in on me



## At your table, answer the following questions:

Which is my "go to" trigger?

 What can I do to better receive feedback in the future?



#### **Dealing with Triggers**

#### 1. Truth Triggers

- Think about who has access to what data
- See your blind spots

#### 2. Relationship Triggers

- Separate "we" from "what"
- Take three steps back

#### 3. Identity Triggers

- Learn how your wiring affects receiving feedback
- Dismantle distortions



#### **Perception matters**

#### How I See Me

- Shy
- Upbeat
- Spontaneous
- Truth Teller
- Passionate
- Smart
- High Standards
- Outgoing
- Quirky

#### How You See Me

- Aloof
- Phony
- Flaky
- Nasty
- Emotional
- Arrogant
- Hypercritical
- Overbearing
- Annoying



### #1 Tip for Receiving Feedback Well: DEFEND SPARINGLY!

"Wow –
that's
upsetting
to hear"



"I would never have imagined that I came across that way"



"That is far from how I see myself – or hope to be seen"



"I really want to understand – do you have examples?"



#### Tips for Giving and Receiving

- Understand multiple perspectives
- See your blind spots (and triggers)
- Beware of the "leaky" face
- Focus on actions not judgment
- Get to the root cause of the problem

