



How to Support Mental Health in the Workplace

Aligning People, Place, and Purpose for Wellness





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- Follow-up email:
  Recording
  Certificate of completion with SHRM and HRCI codes
  PDF of slide deck

  - Other resources
- Questions







Your Presenter

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#### VISION

Be a transformative force that improves the health and well being of all working people.

#### MISSION

WELCOA will recognize, educate, and provide tools and resources to improve behaviors, cultures, and the organizations we serve.





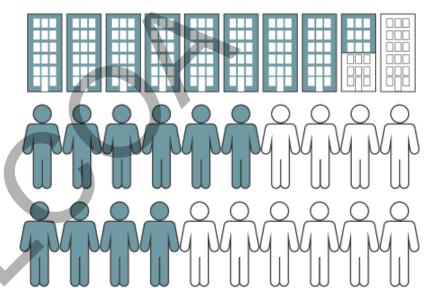
of U.S. employers with more than 1,000 employees offer a wellness program\* wellness program\*

but only

of employees in these companies are aware that their company offers a wellness program\*\*

and only

of employees who are aware of the program actually participate in it\*\*

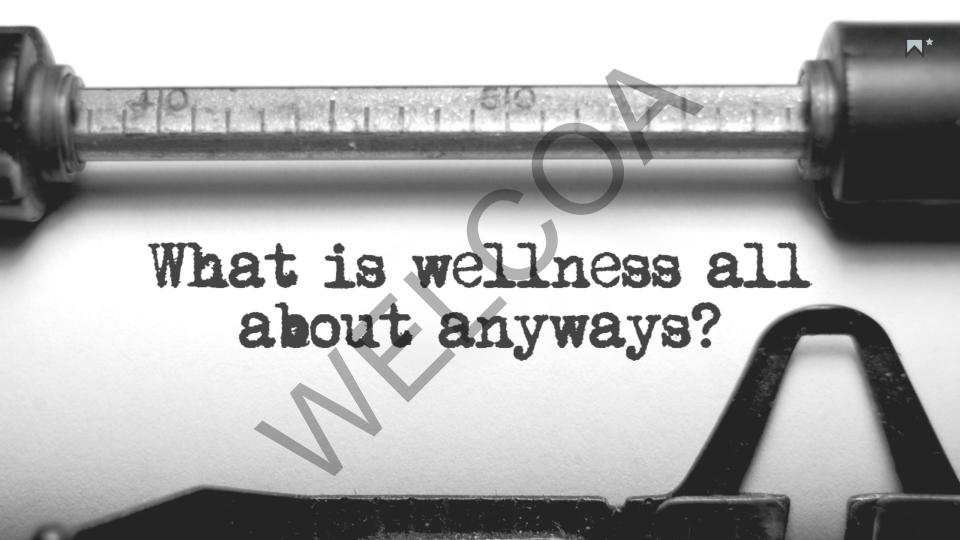


THE BOTTOM LINE: Only 24% of employees at companies that offer a wellness program participate in it.

\*Source: RAND Health: Workplace Wellness Programs Study 2012

\*\*Source: Gallup U.S. Panel Members









Peak Performance

Self-Actualization

Psychological Needs

Safety Needs (comfort)

Basic Needs (survival)

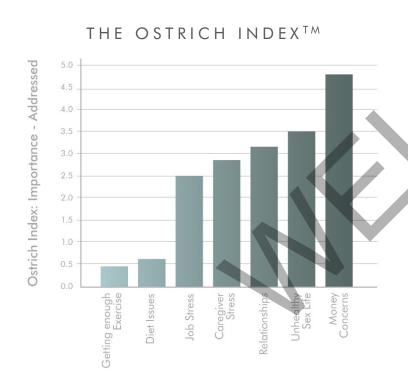
Low-fat, high fiber diet
7+ hours of sleep a night
Blood pressure under 140/90
Low cholesterol
Up-to-date preventative screenings
Regular check-ups
Exercise 30 minutes a day

Sex, drugs and a crappy boss... and money, and caregiving, and sleeplessness, and a troubled marriage



"It's no secret that many Americans could be healthier, but what's astounding is how little we understand about why. It's not because we're lazy or don't want to be healthy, it's because we have a life, which can get messy and can frequently get in the way of health, happiness and productivity."

-ALEXANDRA DRANE, CO-FOUNDER OF ELIZA CORPORATION



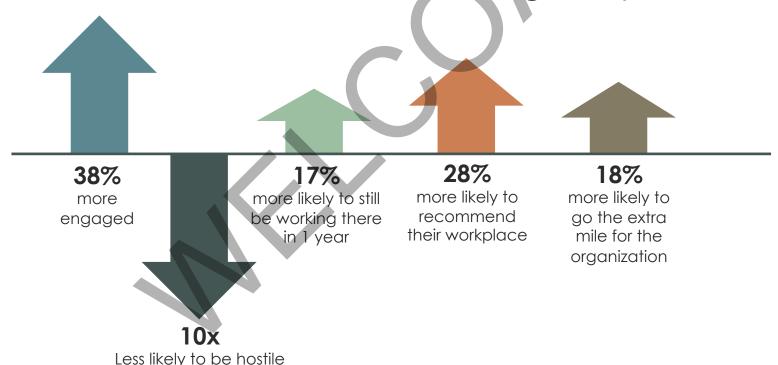
#### KEY FINDINGS INCLUDE:

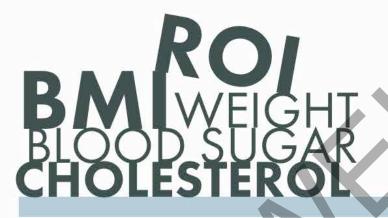
- 94% reported dealing with at least one of the following issues: money concerns, social conflicts, relationship conflicts, caregiving, job stress, depression, trouble sleeping, bad sex life, getting enough exercise or diet issues.
- 36.6% identified 1-4 issues; 40.2 percent identified 4-6 issues, and 17 percent said they were dealing with as many as 7-9 issues.
- Of the named issues, the greatest importance was placed on job stress, caregiver stress and money concerns, followed closely by unhealthy sex life and relationship issues.
- As the number of issues a person is dealing with increases, their selfreported general health ranking went down.



#### THE VALUE OF A HEALTHY ORGANIZATION

When employees believe their employer cares about their health and well-being, they are...





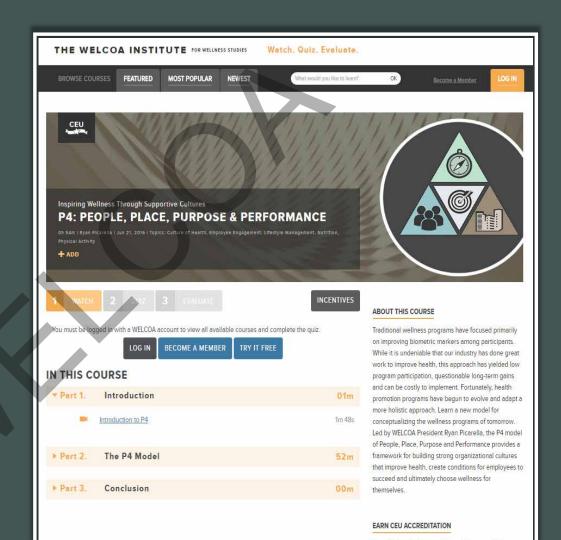
#### SUCCESS FUN FAMILY THE GOOD LIFE HAPPINESS













# People



### PEOPLE

- The Employee Lifecycle
- Employee Assistance Programs
- Organizational Development & Training
- Safety
- Health & Wellness

#### Wellstream

Health Risk Assessment

#### INSTRUCTIONS

This personal health assessment should take only 10 to 15 minutes to complete. Your participation is completely voluntary. By completing this health survey, you will receive important feedback concerning your health status and what you can do to become healthier. Please answer all questions and complete the survey to the best of your ability. Your information and personal responses will be kept strictly confidential.

- Use a Number 2 pencil only.
- Print clearly in the boxes and make heavy black marks, filling the ovals completely.
- Erase changes cleanly, and do not make any stray marks.
- Do not fold or wrinkle the questionnaire.

Proper Mark

Improper Marks

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	NAME	AND ADDRESS — PRINT CLEARLY		
FIRST NAME		*LAST NAME		
'HOME ADDRESS				APARTMENT#
CITY			*STATE	*ZIP
DAYTIME PHONE		EVENING PHONE		



<ol> <li>In the last 30 days, how often have 3. you felt tense, anxious or depressed?</li> </ol>	In general, how would you rate your physical health?
□ Almost every day	□ Very Good
□ Sometimes	□ Good
□ Rarely	□ Fair
□ Never	Poor
2. To what would you attribute the majority of your stress?  CHECK ALL THAT APPLY	How often do you experience back pain that interferes with your ability to perform work and non-work tasks?
☐ Family	□ Never
□ Work	□ Sometimes
□ Finances	□ Often
☐ Health	□ Always



# YOUR HRA FEEDBACK

- Quit smoking or die!
- ☐ Eat better or die!
- Get moving or die!





Schedule regular leadership meetings that focus on alignment among safety, health promotion, and other employee-focused initiatives.









# Case Study: Being a Champion



# Place



## Place

- Supportive environments for health promotion
- The water we're swimming in



#### Environment

En: To cause.

Viron: To enclose or draw a circle around.

Ment: A resulting state



#### THE POWER OF ENVIRONMENT

- » **Casinos** are brilliantly designed from an environmental perspective... Few settings can manipulate the human mind as successfully as these places.
- » Every day in the U.S., slot machines alone take in more than \$1 billion in wagers.



#### THE IMPACT OF THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT ON HEALTH:

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#### AN EMERGING FIELD





**33% of respondents** say that the design of an office would affect their decision to work for a company.

BUT

58% of respondents report not having live plants in their office, and 47% report having no natural light in their office.



Biophilic elements include direct experiences of nature (plants, water, light), indirect experiences (natural materials, forms, images), and experiences of space and place (mobility and wayfinding).

DESIGN ELEMENT	PERCENTAGE
1. Natural Light	44%
2. Indoor Plants	20%
3. Quiet Working Space	19%
4. A View of the Sea	17%
5. Bright Colors	15%



Employees who work in office spaces that incorporate natural elements such as natural light and greenery report:

#### 15% HIGHER LEVELS OF WELL-BEING

#### 15% HIGHER LEVELS OF CREATIVITY





### INSPIRED ORGANIZATIONAL CULTURES

The built environment influences a person's level of physical activity. For example, inaccessible or nonexistent sidewalks and bicycle or walking paths contribute to sedentary habits. These habits lead to poor health outcomes such as obesity, cardiovascular disease, diabetes, and some types of cancer.

https://www.cdc.gov/nceh/publications/factsheets/impactofthebuiltenvironmentonhealth.pdf



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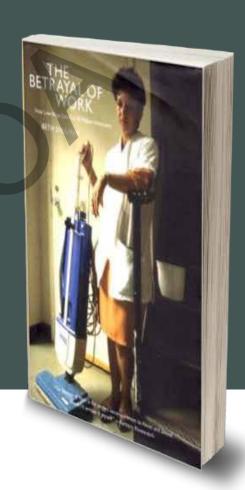
### Bob & Linda





# The Betrayal of Work

Beth Shulman



# SAFETY FIRST

# KEEP FLOORS FREE OF OIL & GREASE

# Kitchen & Food Safety PREVENTING CUTS

**Using Knives Safely** 

- Keep knives sharp
- Cut away from body

If knife falls, jump back and let it drop

Wash separately from other

#### **KNIFE SAFETY**



Do not try to catch a falling knife.

Knives are picked up by the handle not the blade.

Knives are kept sharpened for ease of use.

Wire mesh gloves are worn when cleaning knives.

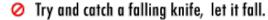
Clean, sanitized cutting boards are available and available





#### Don't:





- Hand a knife to someone. Put it down on the counter and let him or her pick it up.
- Leave a knife soaking in a sink of water.
- Talk to people while using a knife.



# **MUSCLE**

1 pound of muscle



pound o



#### WELLNESS

Wellness means being healthy in body and mind.



By Megan Yuan Grade 10, Staten Island Technical High School



# You are

How you feel directly relates to what you eat. Be the most incredible you think about what you eat.





We get it: healthy eating can be hard sometimes, and it's an even bigger struggle when you're busy. Join us for the March Lunch & Learn to discover how you can stick







Identify the ways in which your environment is working against you (ask your people).



# International Well Building Standard



https://www.wellcertified.com/



#### **Delos**

# Well Building Standard

- Grounded in a body of medical research
- Connection between buildings and the health and wellness of their occupants
- Seven concepts related to occupant health in the built environment



# WELCOA Resources

A PUBLICATION OF THE WELLNESS COUNCIL OF AMERICA

THE EXCITING WORLD OF WELL BUILDING



HUMAN HEALTH & WELLNESS IN

# THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

What You Need to Know about the Well Living Lab



AN EXPERT INTERVIEW WITH DR. BRENT BALLER



# Purpose





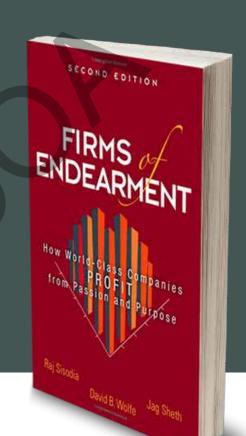


The need for **purpose** is one the defining characteristics of human beings. Human beings **crave purpose**, and suffer serious psychological difficulties when we don't have it. Purpose is a **fundamental component of a fulfilling life**.

—Steven Taylor, The Power of Purpose: Why Purpose Is So Important For Our Well-Being

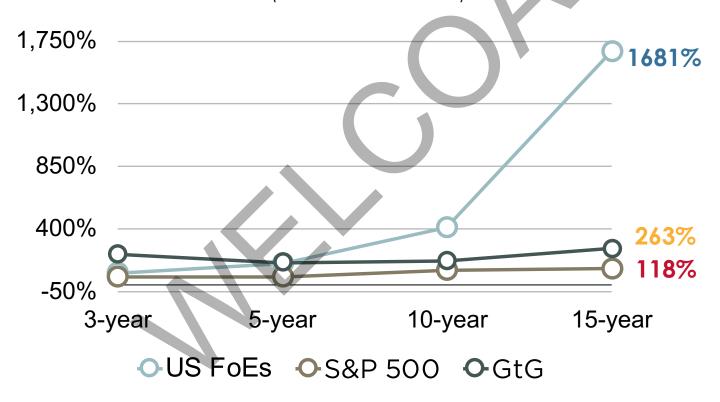


# Sense of Purpose





# Investment Performance of Firms of Endearment Companies versus S&P 500 and Good to Great companies, 1998-2013 (cumulative total returns)





# Emerging Research: Why Connect Employees with Meaning & Purpose?





#### Two Types of Value-Affirmation: Implications for Self-Control Following Social Exclusion

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Aleah Burson<sup>1</sup>, Jennifer Crocker<sup>2</sup>, and Dominik Mischkowski<sup>2</sup>

#### Abstract

The authors tested the hypothesis that affirming self-transcendent values attenuates negative consequences of self-threat better than affirming self-enhancement values. If value affirmation buffers against threat because it bolsters the self, then affirming either a self-transcendent or self-enhancement value should similarly prevent typical decreased self-control after exclusion. However, if value-affirmations buffer the effects of threat because they promote self-transcendence, then affirming values related to self-transcendence should provide a better buffer against decreased self-control after exclusion. Ninety-two undergraduate students received either intentional or unintentional social exclusion. Participants then affirmed either a self-transcendent or self-enhancement value, or wrote about their daily routine. Consistent with predictions, participants ate more cookies when they were intentionally rather than unintentionally excluded; this effect was attenuated by affirming an important value, especially a self-transcendent value. This suggests that value-affirmation may be a particularly effective method of coping with self-threats when it increases self-transcendence.

#### Keywords

self-control, value-affirmation, social exclusion, ego threat, self-transcendence







## SOCIAL EXCLUSION

# INTENDED

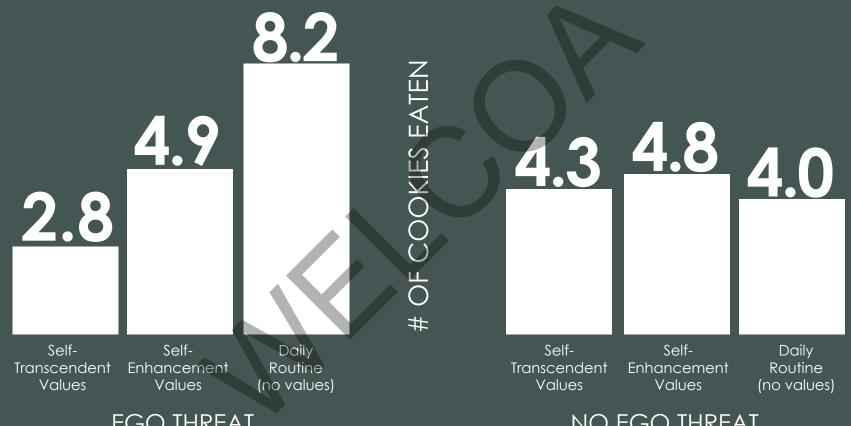
"You weren't picked."



"You were picked... but randomly chosen to work alone"



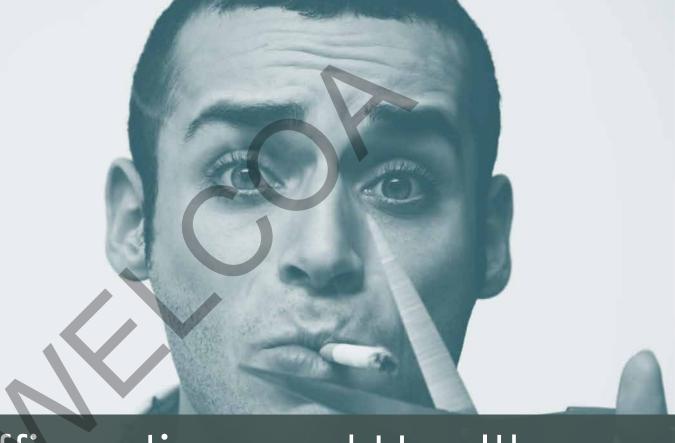
## Ego threat by type of value affirmed on self-regulatory exertion



**EGO THREAT** 

NO EGO THREAT





# Self-Affirmation and Health

THE REAL HUMAN DRIVERS FOR CHANGE

# COMPETENCE. RELATEDNESS. AUTONOMY.

Deci, E., & Ryan, R. (Eds.), (2002). Handbook of self-determination research. Rochester, NY: University of Rochester Press.





Do one thing to help employees tap into higher purpose at work.

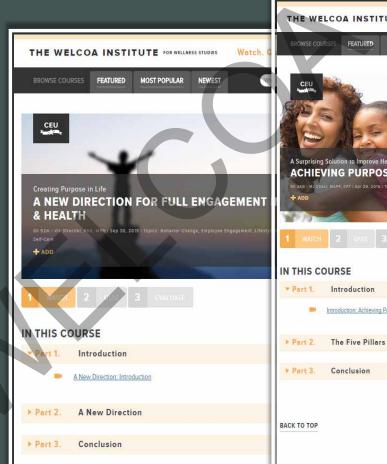


50% reduction in accidents











Introduction: Achieving Purposeful Health Promotion

Most wellness professiona positive emotions among e how to integrate the tenan into workplace wellness. T psychological state influen which in turn insidiously in behaviors. Learn the five p Positive emotions, Engage Meaning and Accomplishm research connecting each Positive Psychology expert missing link that determine success.

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# Need More Support? Tools and Resources



# More Resources for Mental Health

# Visit welcoa.org/thinkhr

- » Mental Health in the Workplace Infographic
- » Mental Health Quick Guide (the 4 F's of Identifying & Managing Mental Health at Work)
- » Anyone who accesses these resources will receive a discount code for WELCOA Membership.





A Quick Guide for Health Promotion Professionals

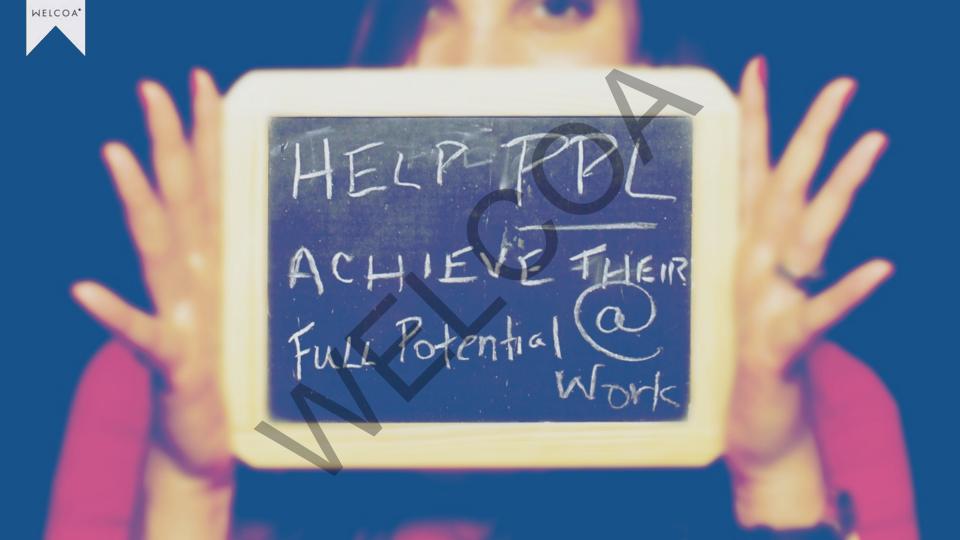
# THE 4 F'S OF IDENTIFYING & MANAG MENTAL HEALTH AT WORK

WELCOA sat down with Andy Crighton, Chief Medical Officer at Prudential Financial to lea their markedly innovative approach to mental health among their employees. For Prudential, a workplace mental health intervention has to be foundational to the organization, have a focus reduction of stigma, has to have the energy and infrastructure to **facilitate** employees getting th they need, and an overall goal of helping employees flourish. To read the full interview with Cri visit: welcoa.org/resources/expert-interview-andy-crighton

# FOUNDATIONAL

A great workplace mental health intervention has to be **foundational** to the organization. What We Heard from Prudential:

- Organizations must start with an inclusive environment.
- A major strategy has been to create a sense of connectedness within the organization where the employee experience is consistent as they interact with the various pillars of the organization that support the employee lifecycle (HR, EAF, Talent Acquisition, performance appraisal, etc.).
- It is important to remove obstacles that stand between an engal
- Financial



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