Transforming Healthcare: Aligning Provider Culture



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Why Is An Aligned Provider Culture Important?



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- Providers play a key, direct role in the delivery of healthcare services to patients.
- Providers' services are a (or the) key revenue generator for their organizations.
- Providers are considered "leaders" in the healthcare delivery system, by their organizations, their teams, their patients and themselves.

So What Are We Aligning Providers With?



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- Ongoing movement to a focus on the patient first (PCMH, expanded health management structures with patient's needs driving the services)
- Transformation of the payment model (Movement away from fee for service models and towards value based payment methodologies; accountable care organizations)
- Transformation of the delivery models (Emphasis on integrated care delivery; integrated practice units)

How Are Providers The Same And Different?



Similarities

- They want to feel that the work they do makes a difference
- They are people, have same personal wants and needs as everyone else
- They do not understand all of the complexity of healthcare delivery

Differences

- They feel that they make an important, central role to healthcare delivery
- They feel that they are highly invested in their work and the delivery system in general
- They often believe that healthcare has been made needlessly complicated







Creating A Culture Of Change



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- No shortage of change treatises to help guide the process
- John Kotter's <u>Leading Change</u>
- Chip & Dan Heath's <u>Switch: How To Change Things When</u> <u>Change Is Hard</u>
- One broad statement I would make here is that **continuous and transparent communication** is absolutely necessary in order to create an environment where culture change can take place
- This is because the creation and maintenance of trust is key in alignment of culture

Kotter's Leading Change Framework

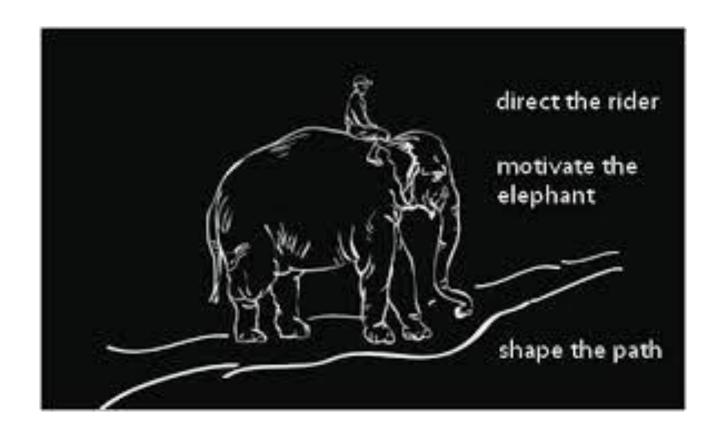




The Heath's Switch Framework



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A Few Examples





- Bedside Interdisciplinary Rounding- A
 Study In What Not To Do
- Formalizing Cardiology Curbside Consults In Ambulatory Care- A Better Way To Engage

Questions?



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