Quick-Start Guide for Applying ADKAR® to Today's Change Challenges



The adoption challenge: to help your employees to

seamlessly shift energy, time, and mind share as nimble contributors

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What are the biggest restraining forces	"Misinformation and uncertainty"	"Company not focusing on the individual benefit of the change"	"Lack of trusted information"	"Lack of time for adoption"	"Rewards and recognition not as visible"
you anticipate?	 Fear Misinformation, rumors, gossip and fake news Feeling overwhelmed by the volume of communication and information Distrust in leadership Fatigue and stress 	 Fear – general anxiety and uncertainty Fear of job loss Change fatigue and saturation Selfishness Mourning the previous ways of working 	 No time to learn Conflicting priorities – individually and organizationally Contradictory information overload Distractions Limited digital literacy/lack of technology 	 Lack of time and resources Technology or tool limitations Lack of empowerment of employees Fear and anxiety Lack of time to practice 	 Lack of resources/funding Virtual rewards difficult and not visible Lack of feedback or follow-up Moving too quickly on to the next project Lack of in-person interaction
How might we overcome	"Clear, open, honest, frequent	"Combat emotion/fear with data/logic"	"Multi-mode learning	"Meet them where they are"	"Snail mail thank-you cards"

these restraining forces?



communication"

- 1. Clear, concise and consistent communication
- 2. Empathy
- 3. Increased transparency
- 4. Two-way communication forums
- 5. Clear expectations

Break change into manageable chunks"

- 1. WIIFM explain both personal and collective 'what's in it for me'
- 2. Create freedom to fail
- 3. Provide coaching
- 4. Embody hope and sense of calmness
- 5. Involve people directly in creating solutions

opportunities"

- 1. Technology help SMEs, tips and tricks, FAOs, etc.
- 2. Bite-sized chunks of learning and communications
- 3. On-demand learning
- 4. Peer-to-peer information sharing
- 5. Hands-on practice time

- 1. Allow time to learn create capacity through prioritization
- Provide coaching support
- 3. Exemplify patience, empathy and understanding
- 4. Provide more frequent 1:1's
- 5. Encourage effective teamwork

thank-you cards'

- 1. Show gratitude in a personal and real way
- 2. Provide individual options for recognition or incentives
- 3. Share journey, celebrate progress
- 4. Offer group or team rewards
- 5. Enable open and continued avenues for feedback