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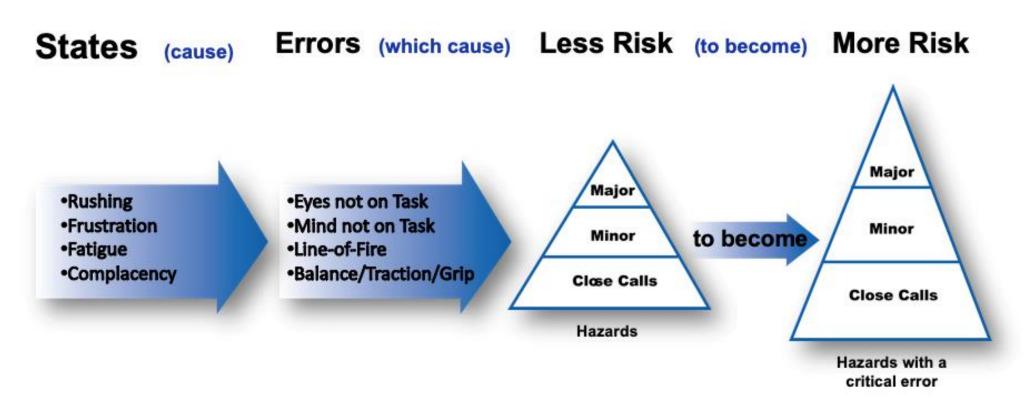
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#### THE STATE TO ERROR PATTERN



This state to error risk pattern is involved in over 95% of all (accidental) acute injuries.

# THE WORLD HAS CHANGED

- The world has changed
- New environments with lasting impacts
- Now more than ever, organizations need to understand and adjust to their new world



# **HUMAN FACTORS FRAMEWORK OVERVIEW**

# Using the human factors framework to:

 Navigate the challenges of todays new world

# Provide a roadmap for sustainable improvement to:

- Safety
- Performance
- Culture

UNDIVIDUAL

LEARNING LOOP

ACTIONS

OUTCOME
RELIABILITY

SYSTEMS

"A problem well stated is a problem half solved."

# A UNIQUE PERSPECTIVE

- Worked with thousands of organizations
- Trained millions of workers
- Talk to 10,000+ safety professionals a year



You're not alone



# MAJOR ORGANIZATIONAL CHALLENGES





- Injuries (from acute to SIF)
- Engagement (from employees to leadership)
- Culture (from safety to organizational performance)

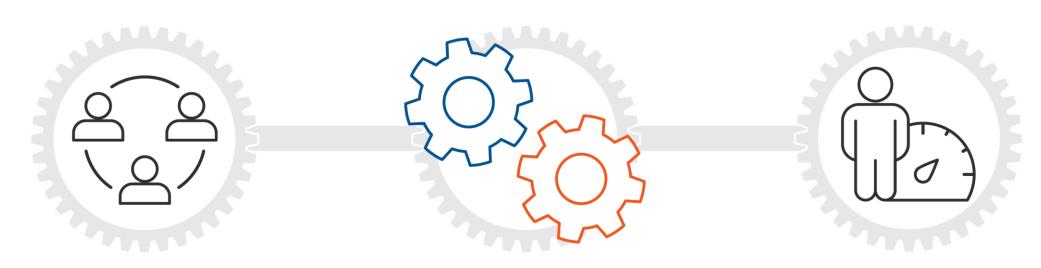
# WHY DON'T THESE PROBLEMS GO AWAY?

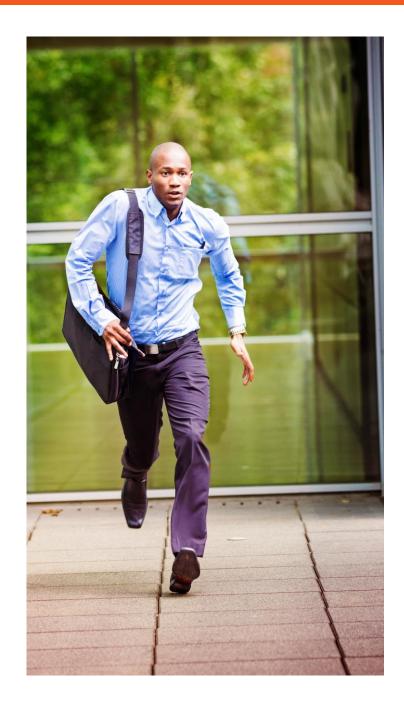


# **HUMAN FACTORS**

HUMAN FACTORS ARE THE 'PEOPLE ELEMENTS'
OF SYSTEMS AND CONDITIONS THAT INFLUENCE
PERFORMANCE AND RELIABILITY

## WHAT ARE HUMAN FACTORS?









# **HUMAN FACTORS CHALLENGES**

Organizations can't engineer out all human factors if people interact with systems.

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There's often a gap between how things *should* be done and how things *are* being done.

Human factors combine with hazardous situations to increase the potential for incidents.

Human factors
affect the way
individuals
interact with
existing systems
because of
physical and
mental factors.

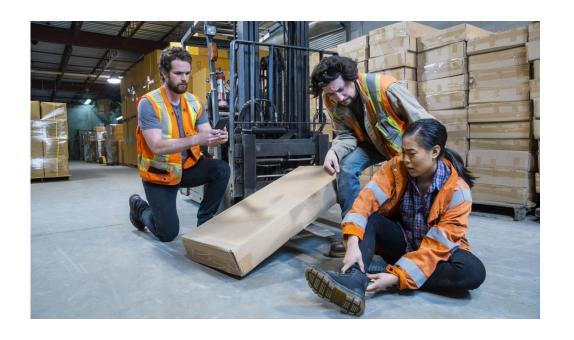
Outcome reliability is often focused on production and quality, not safety, and doesn't account for human factors.

## **HUMAN FACTORS**

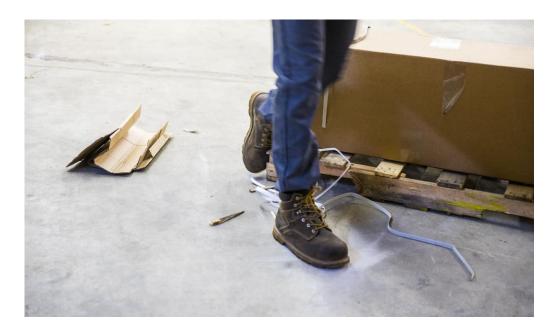




- The physical/mental states that affect how people think and act
- Cause people to deviate from normal behavior
- Embedded in organizational systems
- They don't go away









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## **HOW ORGANIZATIONS**

# TRY TO SOLVE THESE CHALLENGES



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# **HOW ORGANIZATIONS**

# TRY TO REDUCE RECURRING INJURIES



- Safety rules, regulations, policies, procedures
- Training on specific workplace hazards
- Eliminate or guard hazards
- PPE
- Other compliance measures

# IS THIS APPROACH ENOUGH?



- Doing more for fewer results
- Escalating time and money
- Compliance goals already met
- Safety systems don't address human factors

# CHALLENGE SAME COMMON INJURIES YEAR OVER YEAR

- Acute injuries usually aren't caused by the most dangerous activities.
- Injuries happen when we no longer perceive something as hazardous.
- How much time, effort and money is wasted trying to solve the wrong problem?

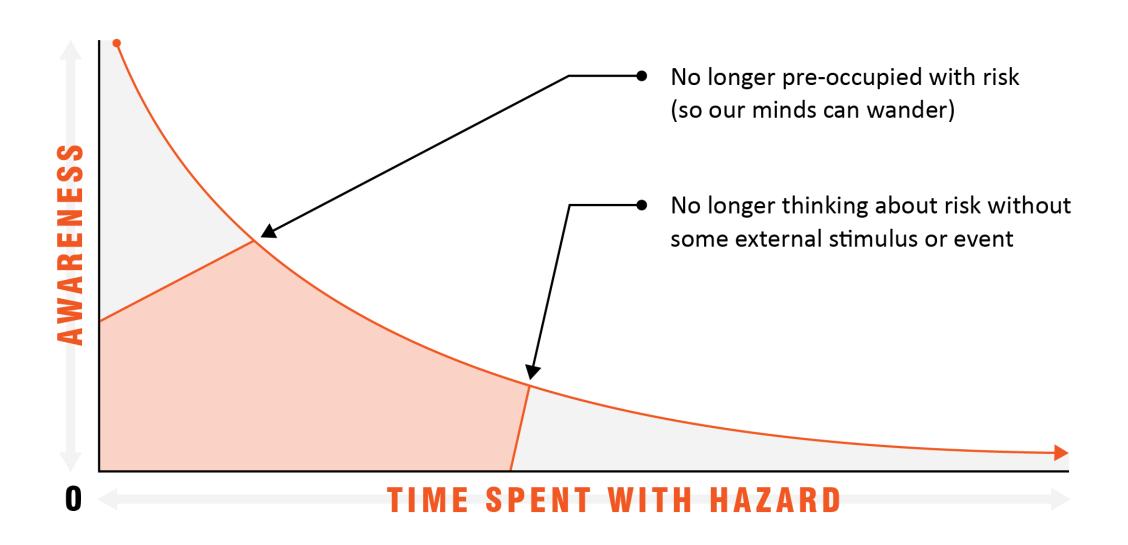




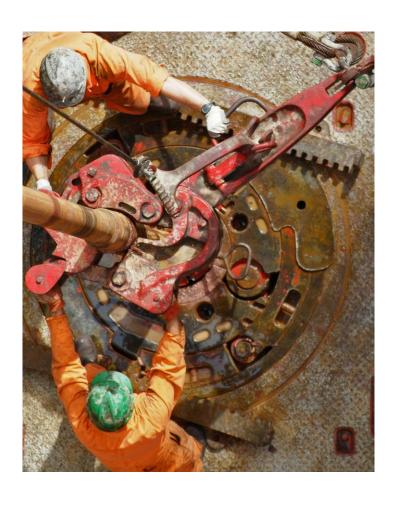




# THE COMPLACENCY CURVE



# **3 SOURCES OF INCIDENTS**



#### • INDIVIDUAL

Individual does something unexpected that gets them hurt.

#### OTHER PERSON

Someone else does something unexpected that hurts someone.

#### EQUIPMENT

Equipment, tools or machinery does something unexpected and hurts someone.

# **100 INJURIES**



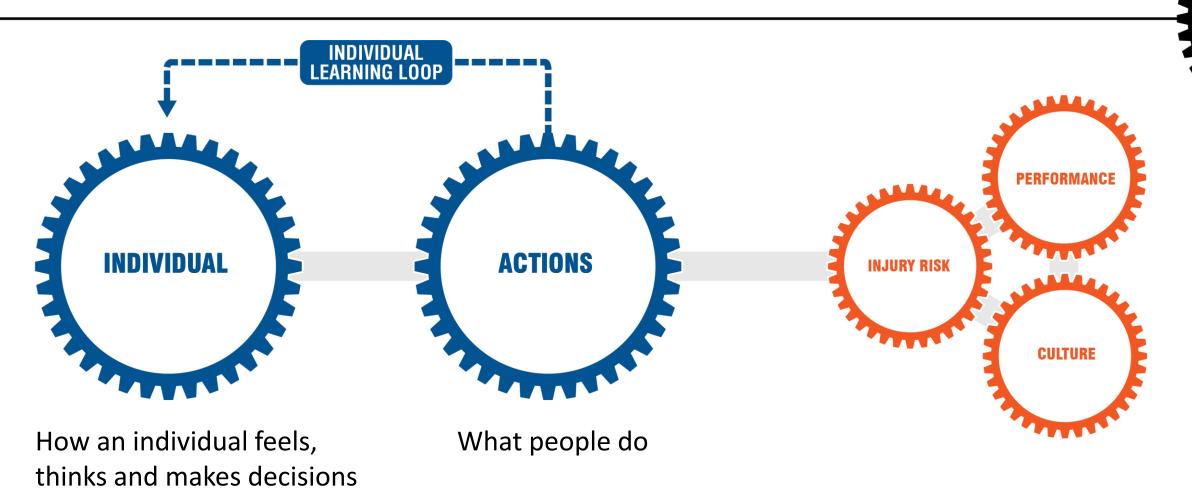
#### WHERE COMPANIES SHOULD FOCUS

Self + other (human factor)

#### WHERE COMPANIES FOCUS

Equipment + engineering + controls

# **HUMAN FACTORS RISK PATTERN**



The human factors risk pattern is involved in 95% of all safety and organizational performance outcomes.

If Human Factors are involved in 95% of all safety and organizational performance outcomes,

WHAT PRACTICAL SKILLS HAVE BEEN GIVEN TO YOUR PEOPLE TO HELP ADDRESS IT?

## **HOW ORGANIZATIONS**

# TRY TO SOLVE THESE CHALLENGES



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#### **CHALLENGE**

# LACK OF EMPLOYEE ENGAGEMENT

- No common safety language
- Promotions based on job success, not communication skills
- People avoid uncomfortable situations
- Repetitive compliance training









# THE VALUE OF ENGAGEMENT

**2:1** 

Actively disengaged employees (24%) outnumber engaged employees (13%) by nearly 2-to-1.



Lack of loyalty can cause turnover, which costs 1.5 times the annual salary of the person who quits.

# **Engaged Team Performance Benefits**

**24**<sup>4</sup>59<sup>8</sup>

LESS TURNOVER **17**%

HIGHER PRODUCTIVITY 21%

GREATER PROFITABILITY 70%

FEWER SAFETY INCIDENTS

**41**%

LESS

ABSENTEEISM

**GALLUP** 

### **LEADERS ARE FORCED TO LEARN THROUGH TRIAL & ERROR**



Cost per year from lost productivity due to communication barriers for the average organization.

HOLMES REPORT



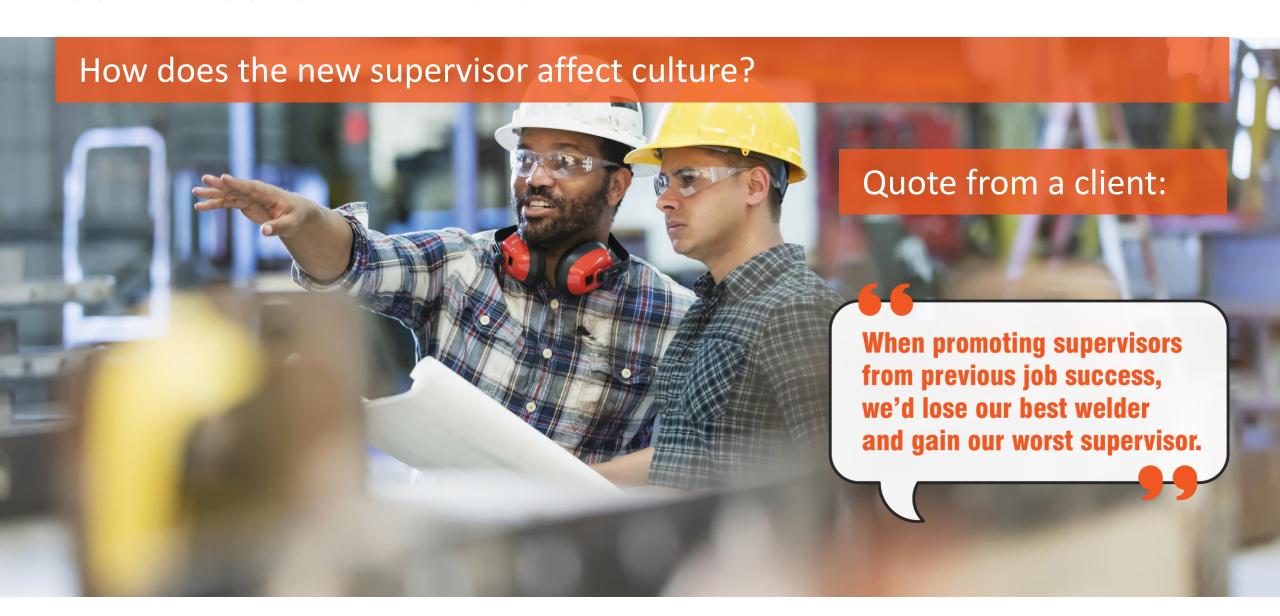
Cost per year of miscommunication for smaller companies.

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Leaders with effective communication skills produced a 47% higher return to shareholders.

# **SUPERVISORS AND ENGAGEMENT**



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**Culture:** the way things are done around here.

- The value placed on safety and degree of personal accountability for safety
- The safety personality of an organization
- What people believe and value



**Climate:** "how things feel around here these days..." *narrow focus* 

- The perceived value of safety today
- Influenced by other people's opinions, attitudes and actions
- Changes based on circumstances (production cycles, major incident, employee promotions)



#### **TYPICAL CHANGING CLIMATE EXAMPLES:**

- boss being in bad mood
- a new rush order
- a line being shut down unexpectedly



#### **NEW-WORLD CHANGING CLIMATE EXAMPLES:**

- employees working from home
- feeling stress about job security
- getting sick
- knowing someone that is sick



# FROM CLIMATE TO CULTURE

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- You can't fix your culture overnight.
- A positive safety climate reduces injuries <u>and</u> improves production, quality and engagement.
- Influence your day-to-day climate by improving supervisor/frontline manager skills.



## **SUPERVISORS ARE THE KEY**

#### WHEN SUPERVISORS CAN:

- give/receive input
- understand how human factors connect to safety outcomes

#### THE ORGANIZATION BENEFITS FROM:

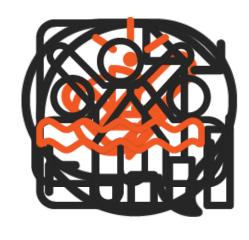
- accurate leading indicator data
- positive day-to-day climate
- desirable long-term culture



If you need to improve your climate before culture, WHAT DAY-TO-DAY CLIMATE SUCCESS FACTORS DO YOU CURRENTLY HAVE IN PLACE?

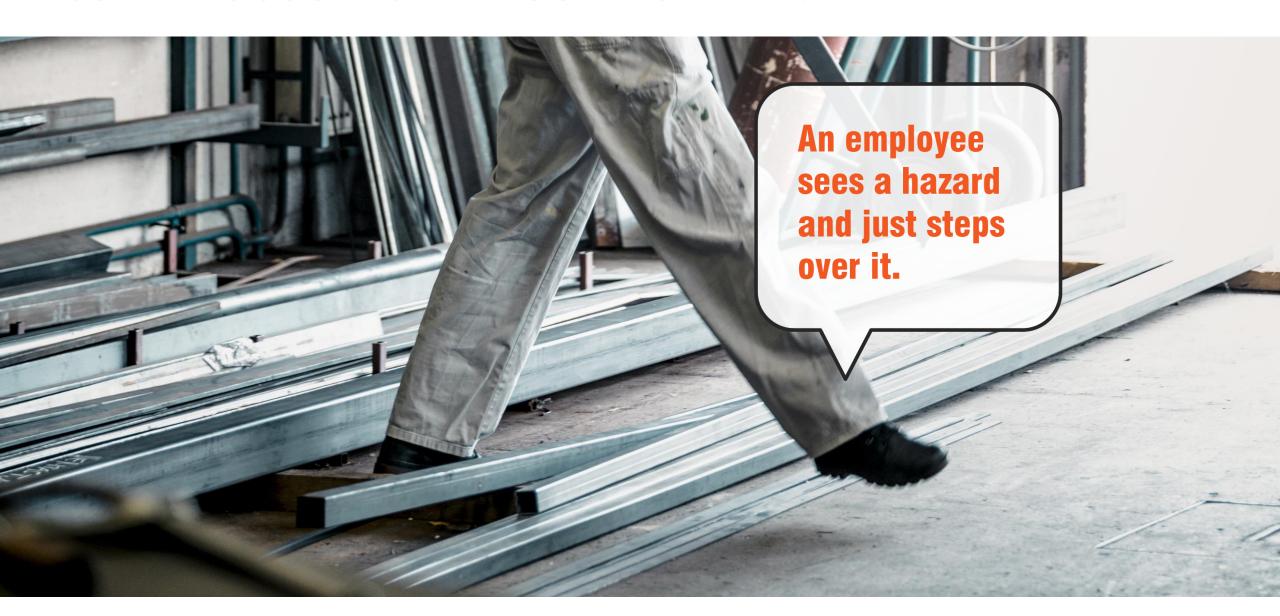
## **CLIMATE SUCCESS FACTORS**





- Critical communication
- Hazard awareness
- Effective reporting/accurate data
- Engagement
- Active leadership

## SO IF THIS SOUNDS LIKE YOUR WORKPLACE



## OR THIS SOUNDS LIKE YOUR WORKPLACE



## YOU NEED A HUMAN FACTORS FRAMEWORK

#### **DRIVE ENGAGEMENT**

Develop a personal commitment to safety.

#### PROVIDE PORTABLE AND EFFICIENT TOOLS

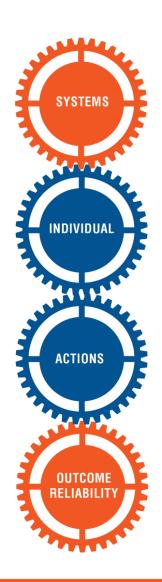
Teach people transferable techniques to reduce injuries.

#### **ENABLE GROUP COMMUNICATION**

Introduce a common language to discuss risk.

### HARNESS INDIVIDUAL AND TEAM LEARNING

Use communication and learning methods to improve outcome reliability.

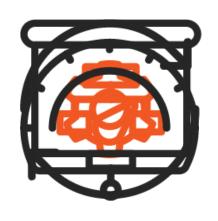






- These aren't isolated incidents.
- Human factors don't go away
- The problems appear throughout an organization—not just individuals.
- Look at micro and macro—at the same time

## THE HUMAN FACTORS FRAMEWORK IS:



- A model for how work—and safety—happen day to day
- A diagram of how different parts of an organization interact
- A diagnostics tool for evaluating safety performance

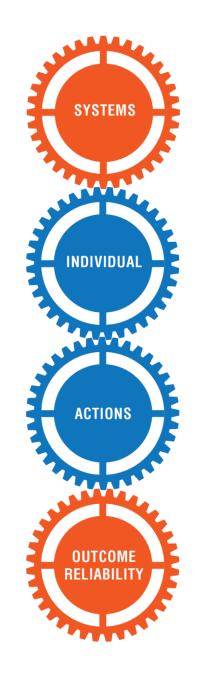
### AN IDEAL FRAMEWORK IS:



- Flexible—applies to many types of incidents
- Just right—neither too general nor too specific
- Neutral—not just focused on negative
- Easy to understand



It needs to apply to your specific workplace.

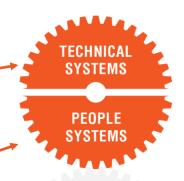


#### **TECHNICAL SYSTEMS**

- engineering
- process
- equipment
- safety management system

#### **PEOPLE SYSTEMS**

- work team
- supervisory skills
- organizational culture



#### **OUTCOME RELIABILITY —**

- safety
- production
- quality
- organizational performance



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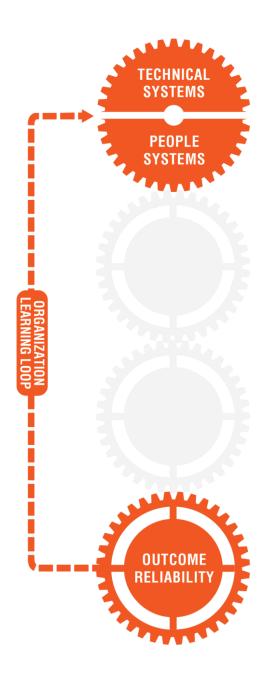
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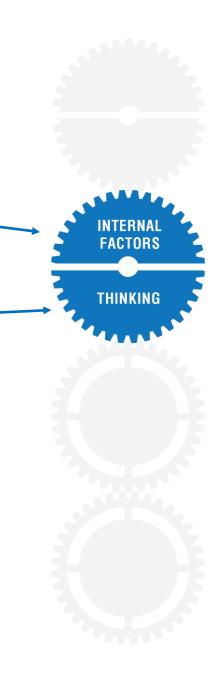


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- fatigue
- illness
- distraction
- overconfidence

#### **THINKING**

- decision-making
- autopilot
- attention
- habits





#### **ACTIONS**

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## THE HUMAN FACTORS FRAMEWORK INDIVIDUALS

#### **INTERNAL FACTORS**

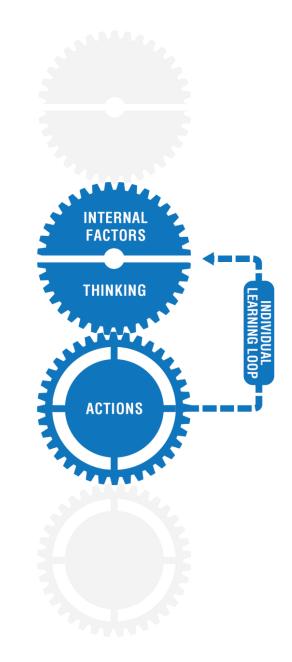
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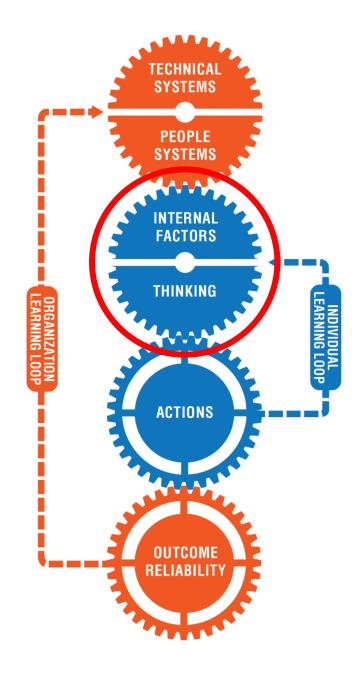
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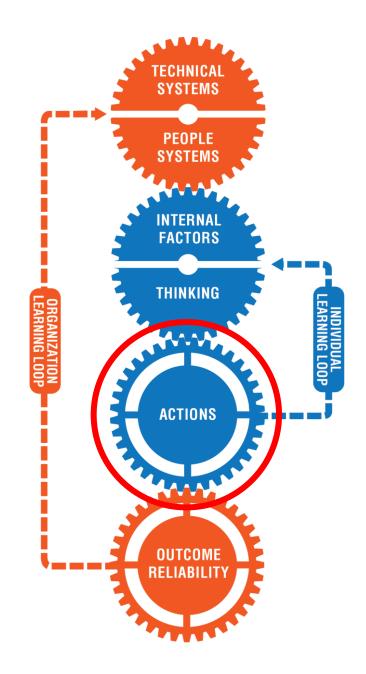
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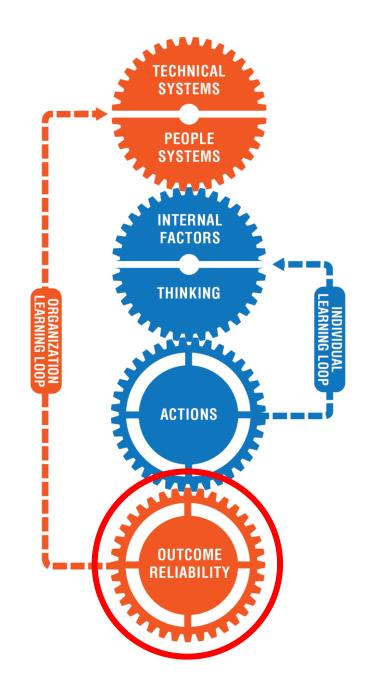
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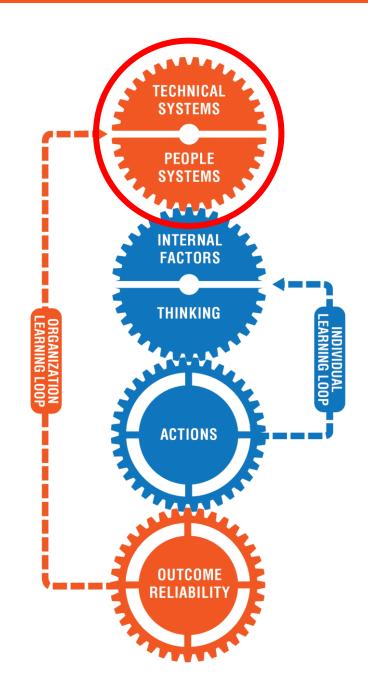
...equals **FAILURE** to make effective changes here.



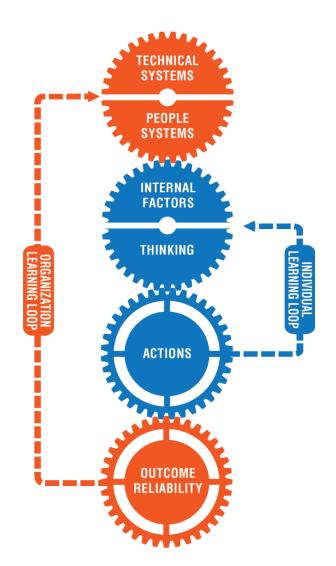
**REACTING** to lagging indicator data or the (KPI) numbers...



...leads to FLAVOR-OF-THE-MONTH initiatives.

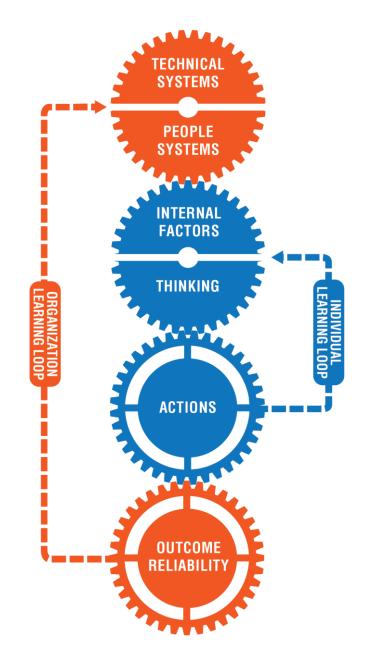


## HOW TO USE THE HUMAN FACTORS FRAMEWORK



- Identify how human factors currently impact each area of your organization
- Look for commonalities
- Examine outcome reliability in safety, quality, culture and performance to produce stronger leading indicator data
- Ensure you're using both individual and organizational learning loops to teach practical skills that can be used by everyone

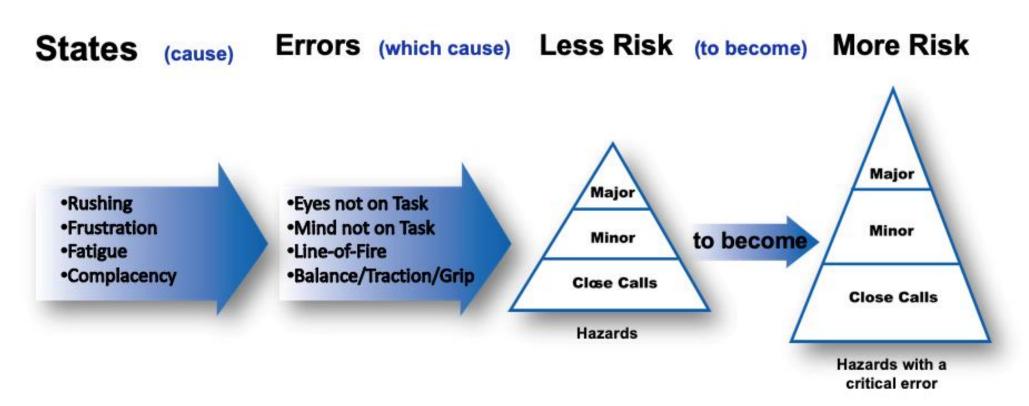
# A FRAMEWORK TO HELP YOU ACHIEVE OPERATIONAL EXCELLENCE







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a common language.

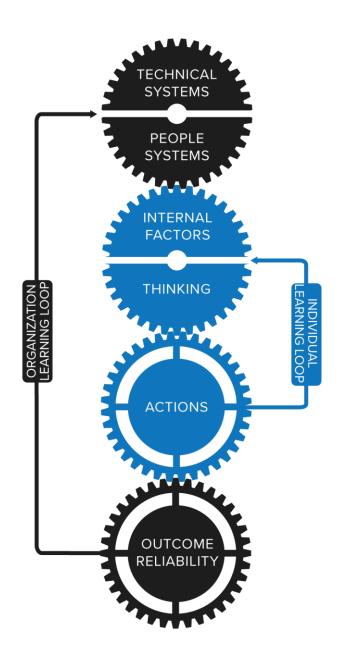
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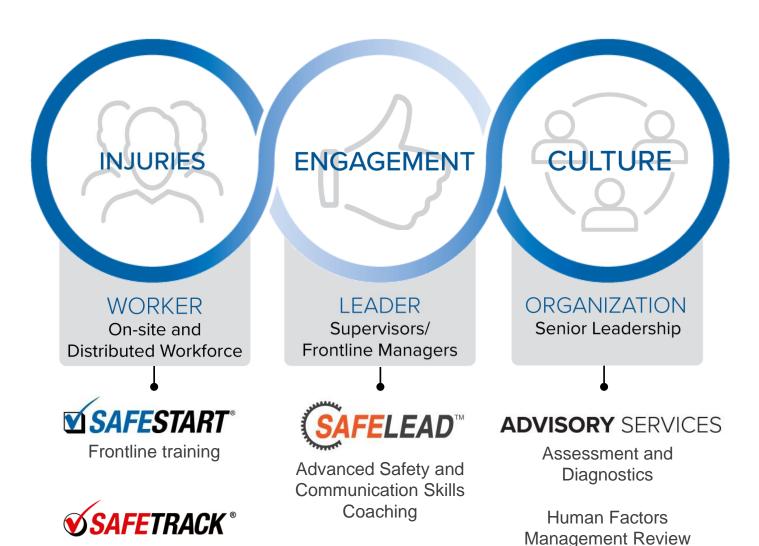
and weakness.

feedback to achieve

24/7 safety success.

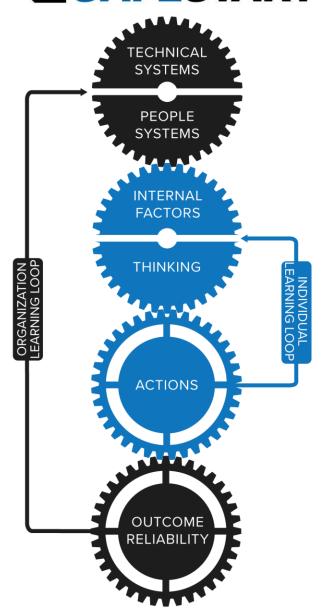






Observation and feedback







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