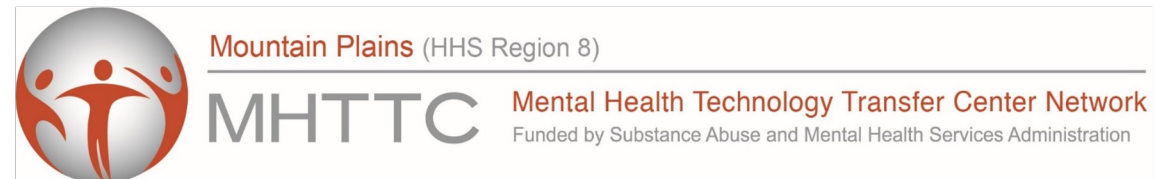


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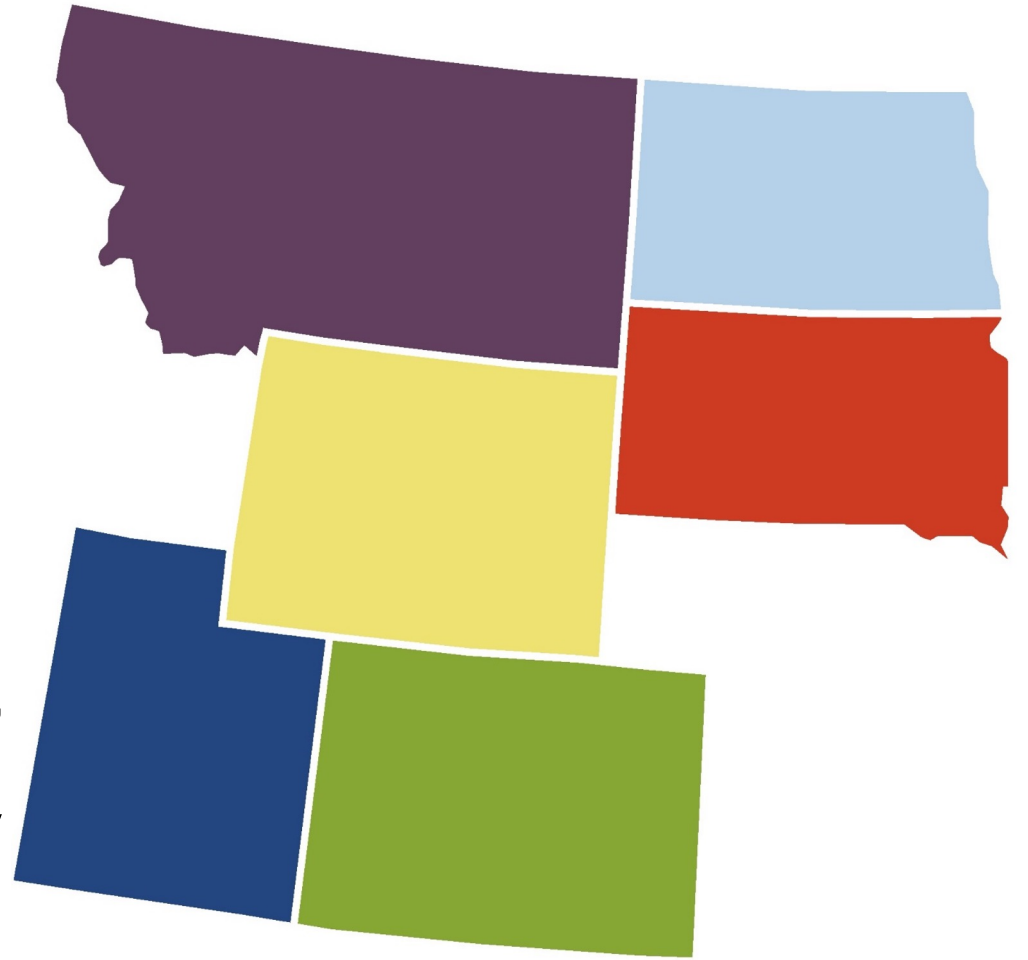
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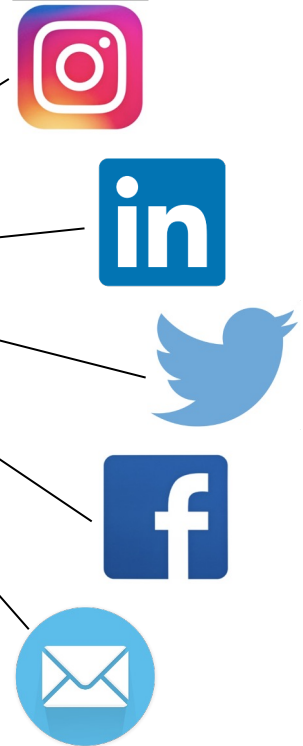
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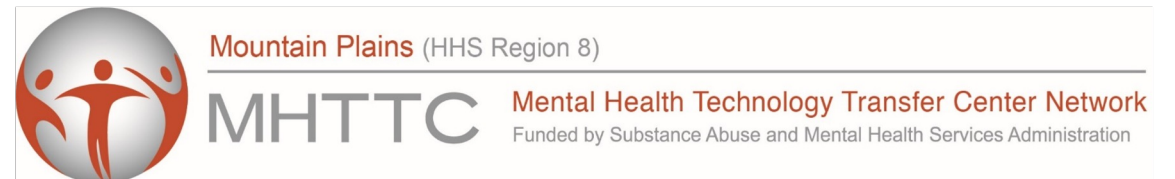


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*The leader of the past knew how to tell; the leader of  
the future will know how to ask.      – Peter Drucker*



# Agenda

1. Brief introductions
2. Attitudes about change
3. Key elements to planning and leading change
4. Adjourn

# Introductions

- Who are you?
- What is your position & where?



- What kinds of change do you face in the work environment?

### Sniff

- Innovator
- Senses minute changes



### Scurry

- Quick to Adapt
- Never settles



### Hem

- Loves Stability
- Hates to change



### Haw

- Observer
- Startled by Change



'One of the most successful business books ever'  
*Daily Telegraph*

# Who

*An Amazing Way to*

# Moved

*Deal With Change...*

# My

*In Your Work and In Your Life...*

# Cheese?

**DR SPENCER JOHNSON**

Foreword by **KENNETH BLANCHARD PH.D.**

*From the bestselling co-author of  
The One Minute Manager*

# Who Moved My Cheese?

- Do you recognize Sniff, Scurry, Hem and Haw on your team? In yourself?
- What has helped you/challenged you during times of change?
- What are takeaway messages about attitudes towards change?



# ADKAR Checkup

## Awareness

- Is your team aware that change is needed?

## Desire

- Are staff willing to participate in organizational change?

## Knowledge

- Do team members understand how to change and what is necessary to do so?

## Ability

- Do staff have the abilities or skills necessary to enact change?

## Reinforcement

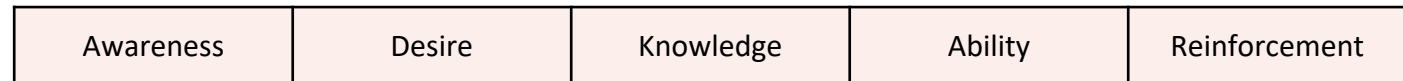
- How will you reinforce changes in a way that will sustain their success?

# Individuals Experience Change over Time

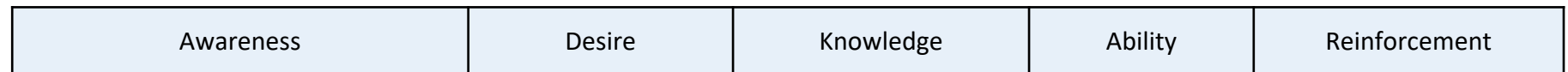
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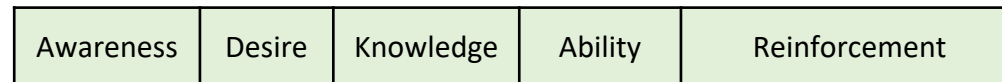
Person B



Person C



Person D



- Some learn about changes later than others
- Some are early adaptors and move quickly through the process
- Some may take longer through phases of change

# Change Management Model Crosswalk

Kotter	Rosen	Hiatt & Creasey	Larue & Solomon	Larue & Solomon
Establish sense of urgency	Vision	Awareness	Work yourself out of your job – make team less dependent on you over time	Purpose – strategic direction <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Strategic priorities</li> <li>• Outcome-based criteria</li> <li>• Performance expectations linked to priorities</li> </ul>
Create guiding coalition	Trust	Desire	Integrated solutions require integrated operations	Why will change benefit <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Customers</li> <li>• Organization</li> <li>• Individuals (what’s in it for me?)</li> </ul>
Develop vision & strategy	Participation	Knowledge	Focus on outcomes rather than inputs	HOW – crafting the roadmap <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ask team to create the roadmap</li> <li>• Assess who’s on the bus &amp; who would I rehire tomorrow</li> </ul>
Communicate change vision	Learning	Ability	From command and control to strategic intent	Create self-organized teams
Empower employees for broad-based action	Diversity	Reinforcement	Whole systems perspective	Feedback loop <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What is working well</li> <li>• What’s not working well</li> <li>• What should we do differently</li> <li>• What do we need from each other</li> </ul>
Generate short term wins	Creativity		Ask – don’t tell	
Consolidate gains and produce more change	Integrity			
Anchor new approaches in culture	Community (Commitment)			

Vision Setting

Communication

Staff Engagement

Sustaining Change



# Change Management Basics

Leadership

Strategic  
Planning

Communicating

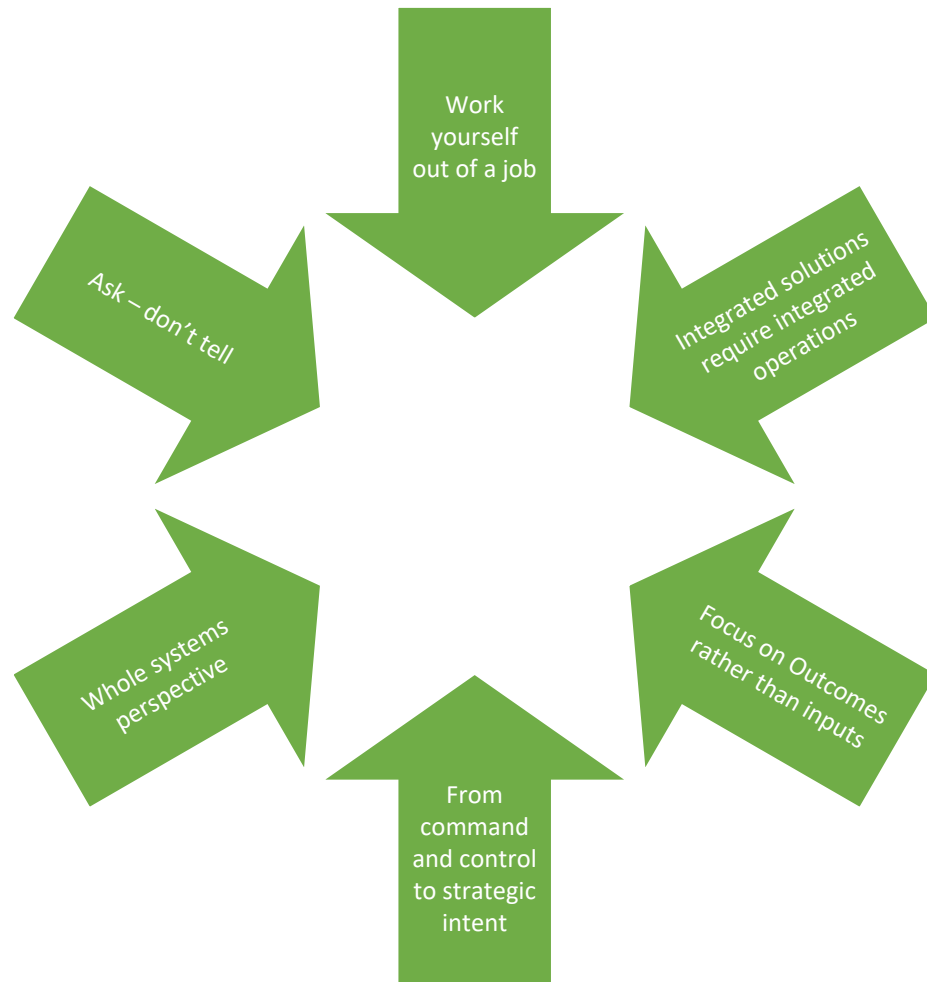
Getting Staff  
Input

Stabilizing  
Change

Continuously  
Improving

Tools

# Integrator Leader



- Focus on Mission
- Scan environment to strategically leverage efforts
- Recognize patterns
- Focus on what, not how
- Develop contextual awareness
  - See circumstances in context of the whole and in alignment with mission
- Take time to reflect

# Strategic Planning



## Strategic Direction Set By Leadership

### **Mission**

What we do

### **Vision**

What we hope to achieve

### **Focus Areas**

General areas to be addressed to accomplish the mission

### **Measure of Success**

How we will know we are there

### **Values/Guiding Principles**

How we operate and make decisions



## Staff Input on How to Achieve Changes

### **Goals**

How we will achieve focus areas

### **Needs to Achieve Goals**

- Knowledge/new skills
- Time
- Resources

### **Action Plan to Implement and Sustain Change**

Who will do what by when

# Characteristics of an Effective Vision

<b>Imaginable</b>	Conveys a picture of what the future will look like
<b>Desirable</b>	Appeals to long-term interests of employees, customers and other stakeholders
<b>Feasible</b>	Comprises realistic, attainable goals
<b>Focused</b>	Clear enough to provide guidance in decision-making
<b>Flexible</b>	General enough to allow individual initiative and alternative responses to changing conditions
<b>Communicable</b>	Easy to explain within five minutes

# Setting Clear Direction

## WHAT is to be accomplished?

- Strategic priorities
- Outcome-based success criteria
- Expectations of performance linked to priorities

## WHY change?

- How will change benefit customer, organization and individuals?
- What is risk of not changing?



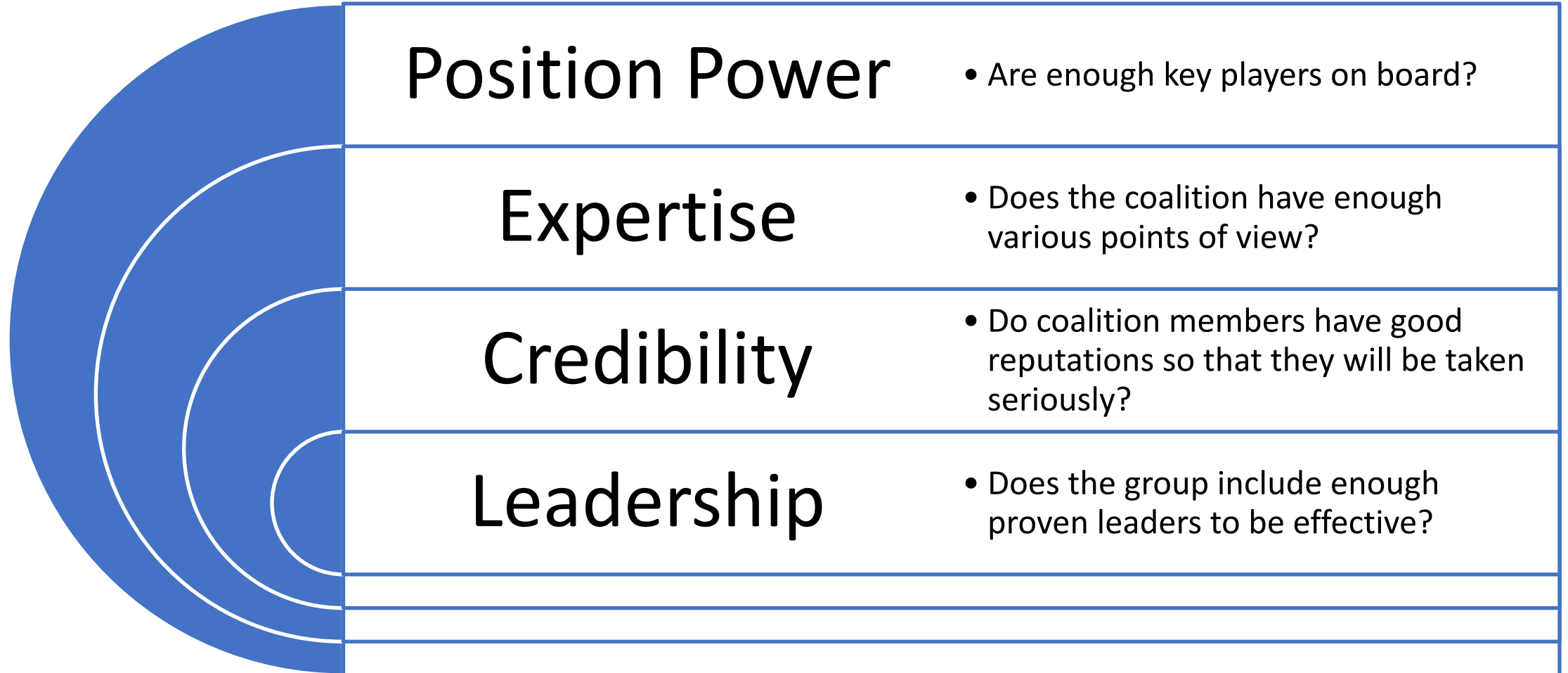
# Communicating

1. Identify your target audiences and their varied perspectives and interests
2. Assess how the message will be heard by receivers
3. Share information and power to build trust
4. Know your own biases and strive to be inclusive of all
5. Maintain a whole systems perspective and encourage cross-team communication
6. Convey and model a moral compass

## Communication Methods

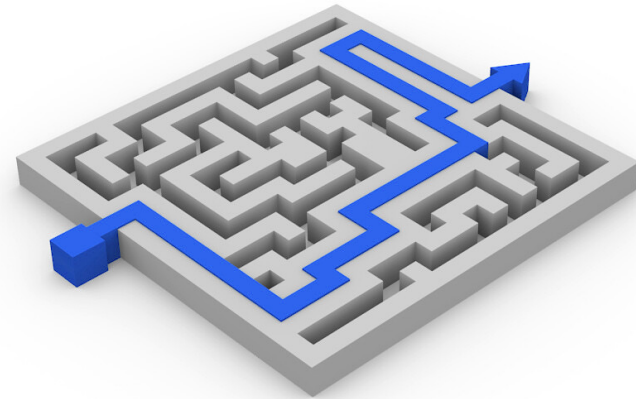
Face – to – Face  
Group Meetings  
One – on – one  
Virtual Meetings  
Behavior  
Emails  
Trainings  
Newsletters  
Others?

# Creating a Guiding Coalition



# Getting Staff Input on HOW to Change

- Equip managers to be change leaders
  - Facilitate teams to develop their own solutions
  - Encourage creative and critical thinking
  - Create self-organized team
  - Ask, don't tell
- 
- Generate short-term wins
  - Support knowledge and skills development needed to promote changes





# Sustaining Change



## **Anchor New Approaches in Culture (*Kotter*)**

- Culture change follows transformation
- Culture change depends on results
- Culture change requires a lot of ongoing communication



## **Build Community (*Rosen*)**

- Cultivate maturity
- Inspire pride and performance
- Care beyond yourself



## **Change Reinforcement (*Hiatt*)**

- Reward successful change
- Reinforce change competency
- Manage resistance to change
- Create culture of change as 'business as usual'

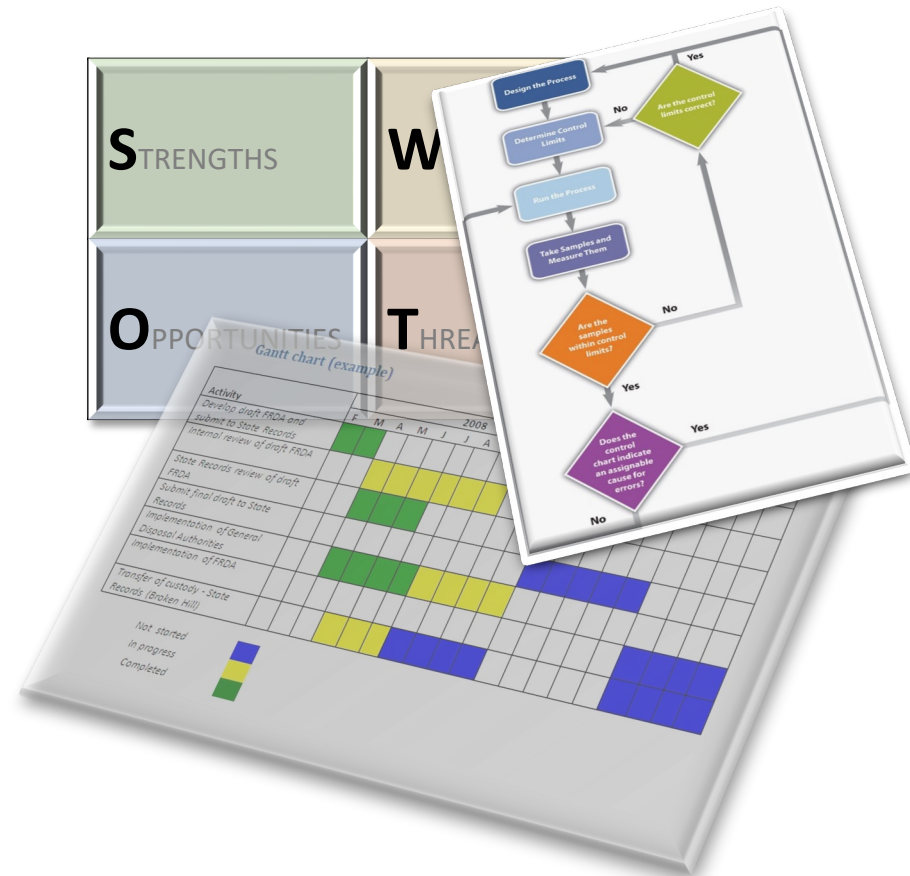
# Continue to Learn, Grow, Change



- What is working well?
- What's not working well?
- What should we do differently?

# Tools to Support Change Management

- SWOT Analysis
- Survey
- Focus group
- Formal and informal meetings
- Flow Chart/Process Map
- Gantt Chart/Action Plan



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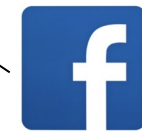
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