5 Key Characteristics of Successful Transformational Change

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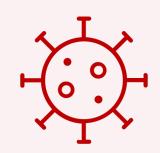




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Disruption Abounds.



Covid Impacts



Hybrid Work



Culture Shifts

Inflation

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Global Conflicts





Automation

Advancing Technology

Digital Transformations



Employee Burnout

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Leadership Responses to this Disruption.

Top three investment areas in 2022:

- Focus on talent retention
- Digital transformations
- Increased business agility

However, achieving significant returns on this investment requires a renewed focus on the human element of these organizational changes.

Companies are increasing investments in top growth drivers: talent and digital transformation





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Persistent Organizational Change Management Headwinds.

Senior leaders continue to question Change Management's effectiveness and importance in enabling organizational transformations for a variety of reasons.

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Leaders often believe Change Management is...

Communications and Training
Nebulous and Unmeasurable
Too Focused on Soft Skills
Difficult to Execute

• Irrelevant to Achieving ROI



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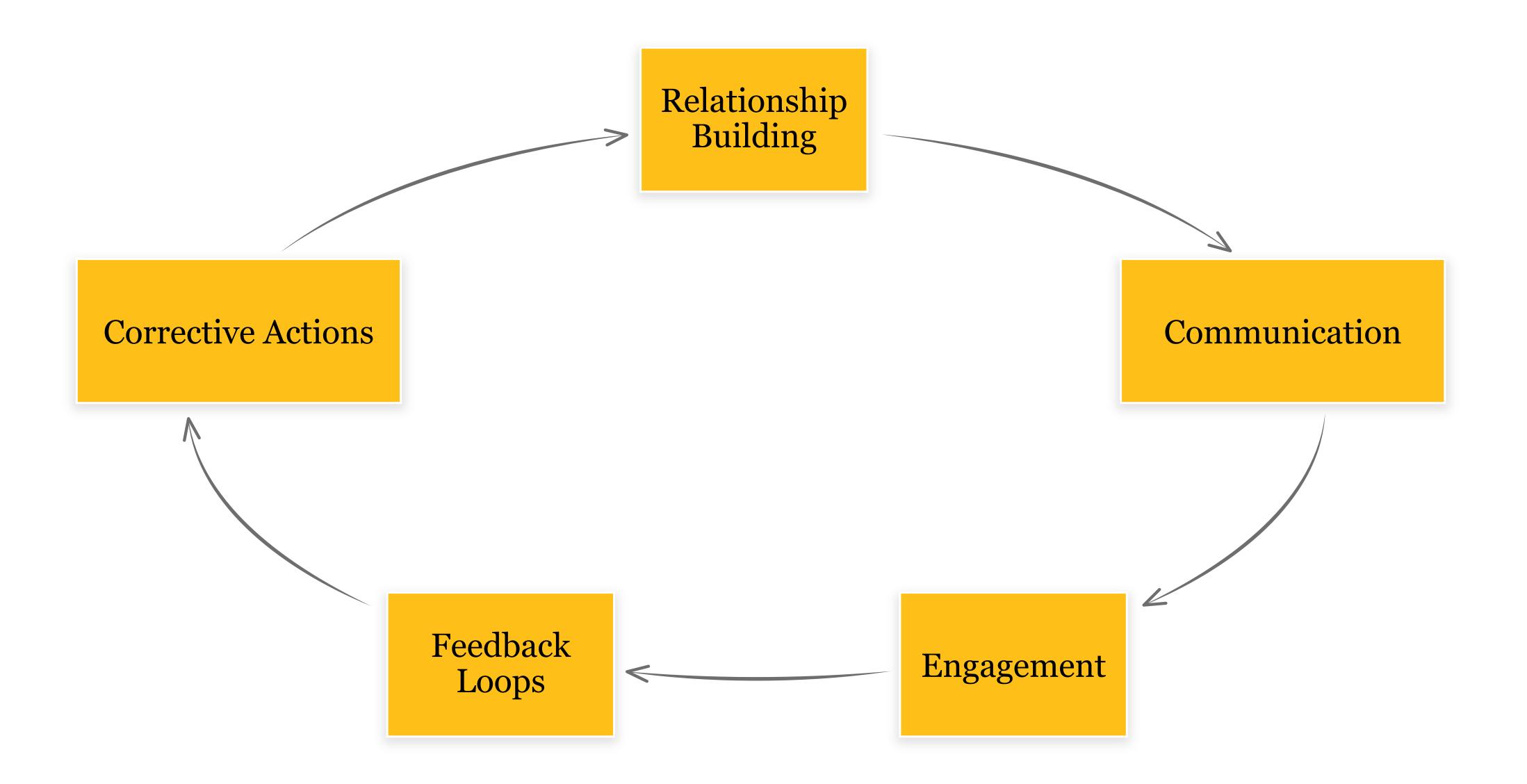
Organizational Change Management is a framework of processes, tools, techniques and activities to support successful employee awareness and sustained adoption of organizational changes to existing business practices or cultural norms.

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Characteristics Exploration

The What.

Successful change management requires the involvement and support of a broad coalition of leaders and employees throughout a transformational engagement.

Anatomy of a Strong Coalition



Senior

Leaders

Provides broad companywide engagement

People Leaders



Provides targeted engagement with direct reports

Employees



Provides subject matter expertise, delivers project feedback, and joins Change Agent Network

Project and Change Team



Develops and delivers transformational outcomes



Change Managers need to build effective working relationships across the coalition groups.

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There can be no user change adoption without established two-way communication. Effective communication is required to support the organization's awareness of the need for change.

Preferred Senders of Communications

Senior Leaders



- Business reasons for the change
- Alignment of the change to the company's strategic roadmap
- Organizational change benefits
- Organizational risks if the change is unsuccessful

People Leaders



- Impact and benefits of change to department, business unit or team
- What's In It For Me? (WIIFM)
- Timelines and milestones
- Training expectations



The Change Team needs to create and execute an effective Communications Strategy across the transformation life cycle.

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Communications Strategy Building Blocks

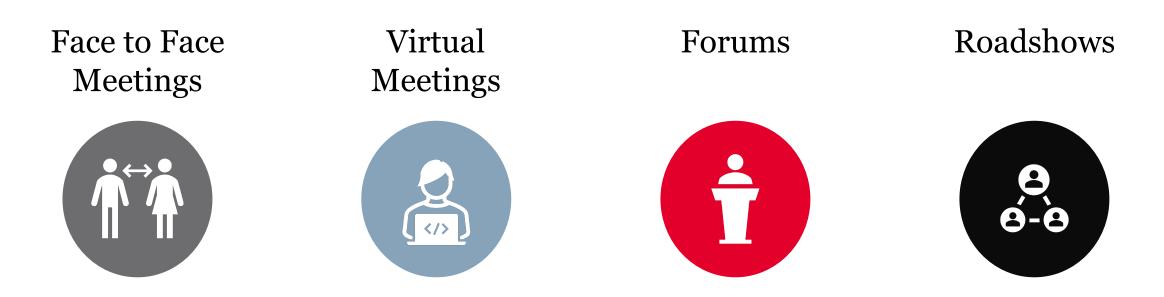
		Communications Strategy					
	Communication Events		Purpose & Objectives		Communication Triggers		
Key Messages		A	Target Audiences		Communications Channels		Delivery Timing



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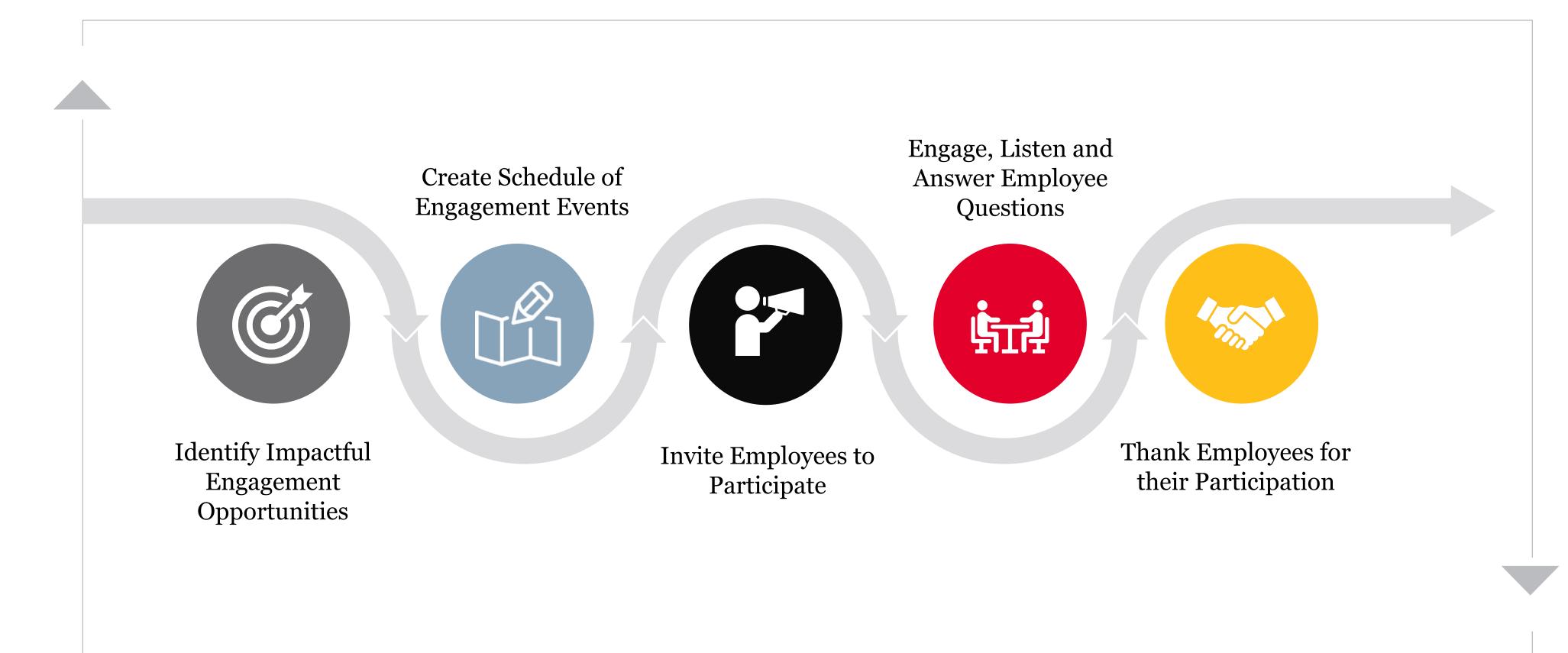
Engagement focuses on actively interacting with employees through formal or informal settings, to build trust and confidence that the transformation changes are important.

Engagement Examples





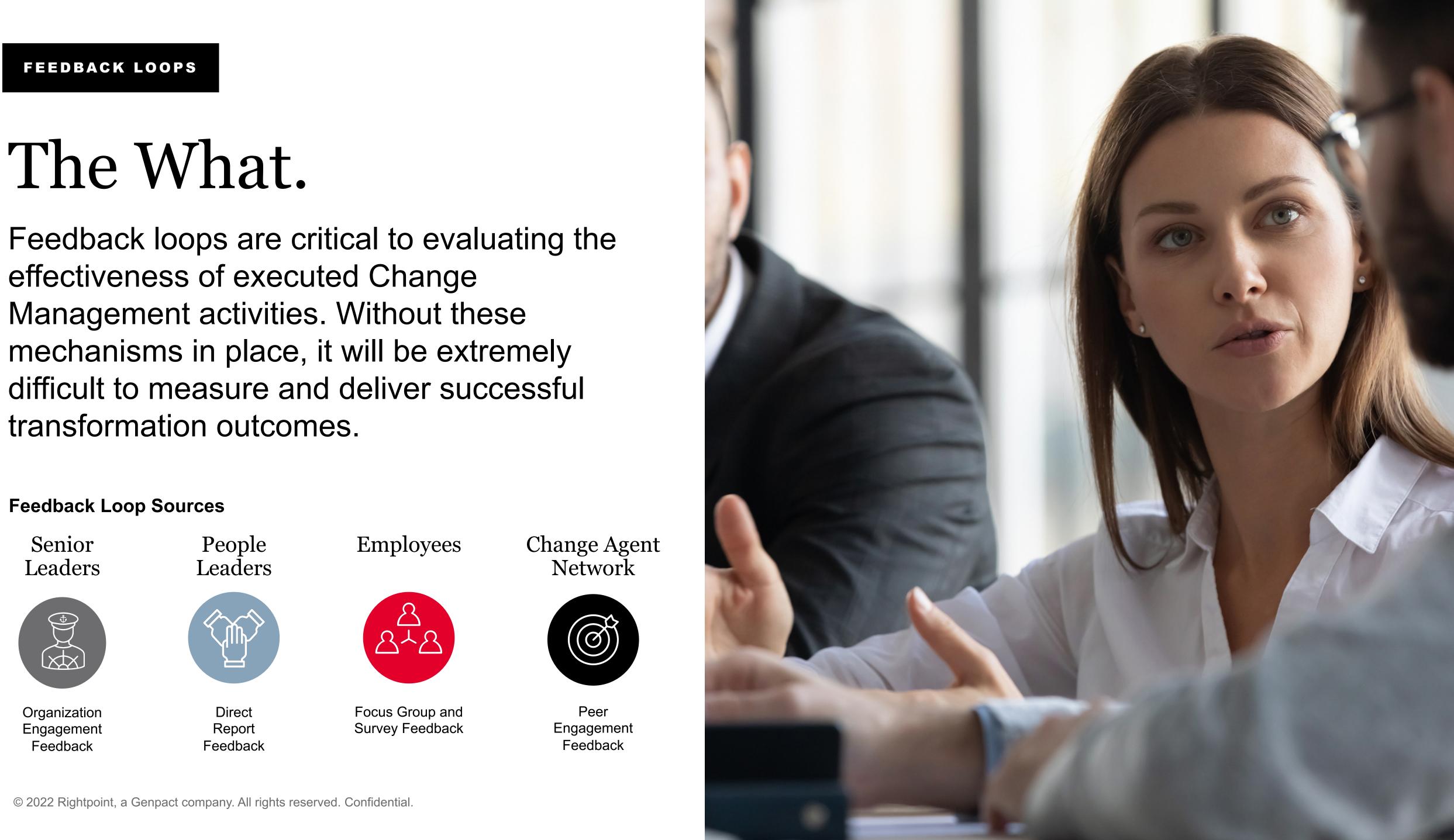


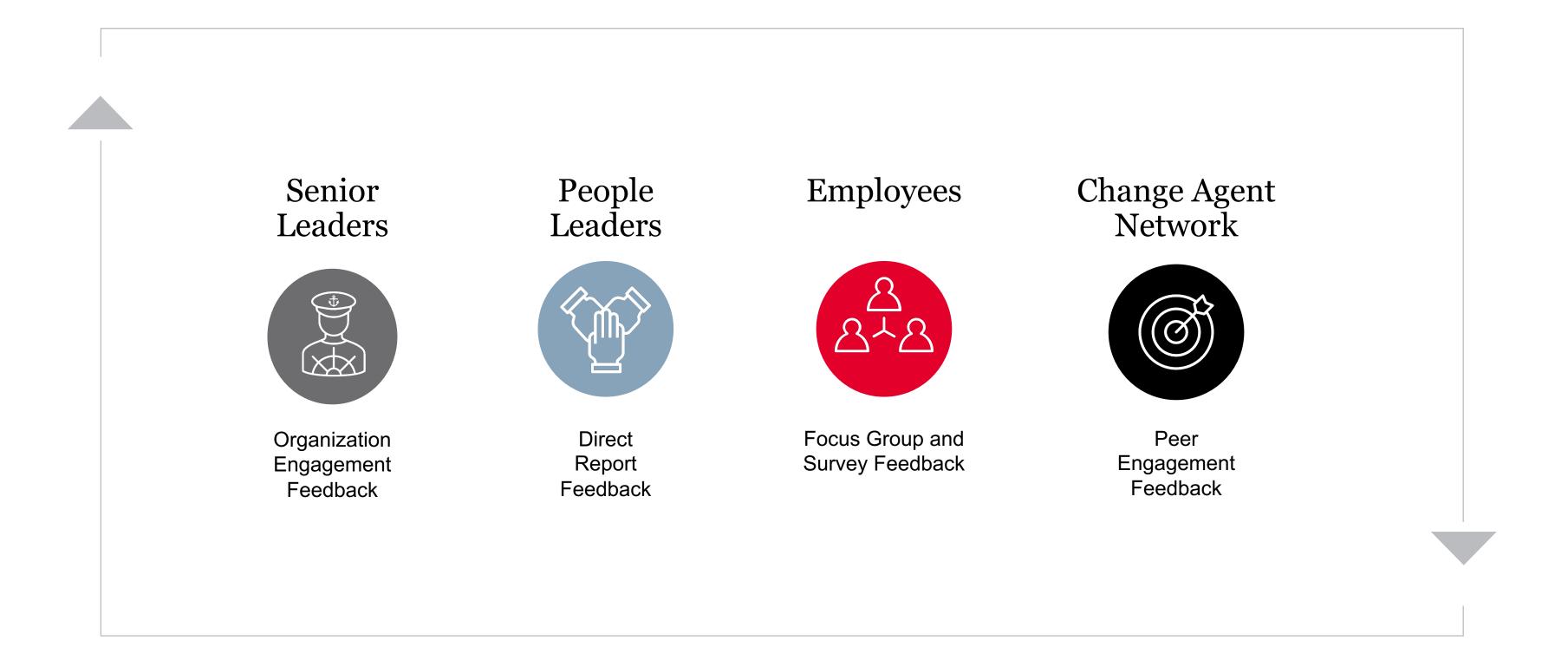


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Leadership Engagement Across the Transformation Life Cycle







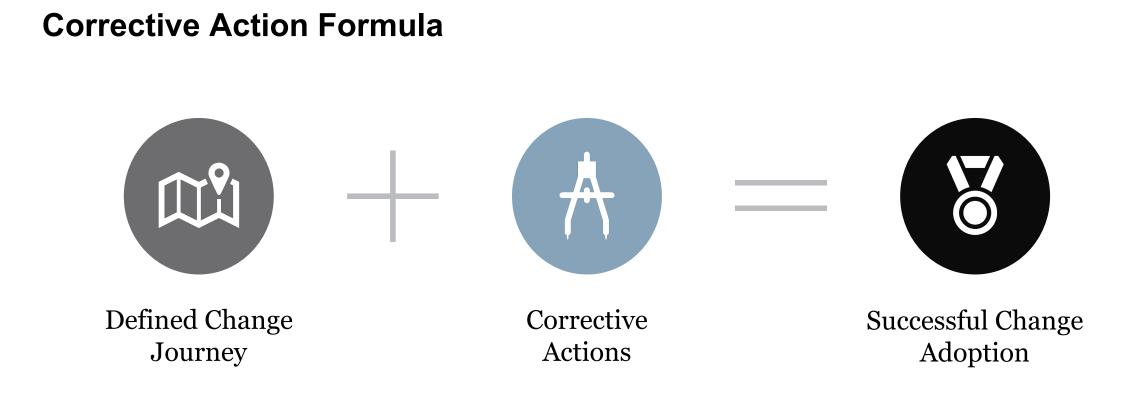
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Change Team will create feedback loops and analyze the data to validate the effectiveness of change activities.



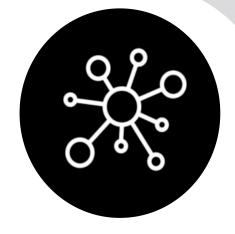
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Insights gathered from feedback loops must be converted into actionable decisions to course correct change activities that may not meet impacted employees' needs along their change journey.





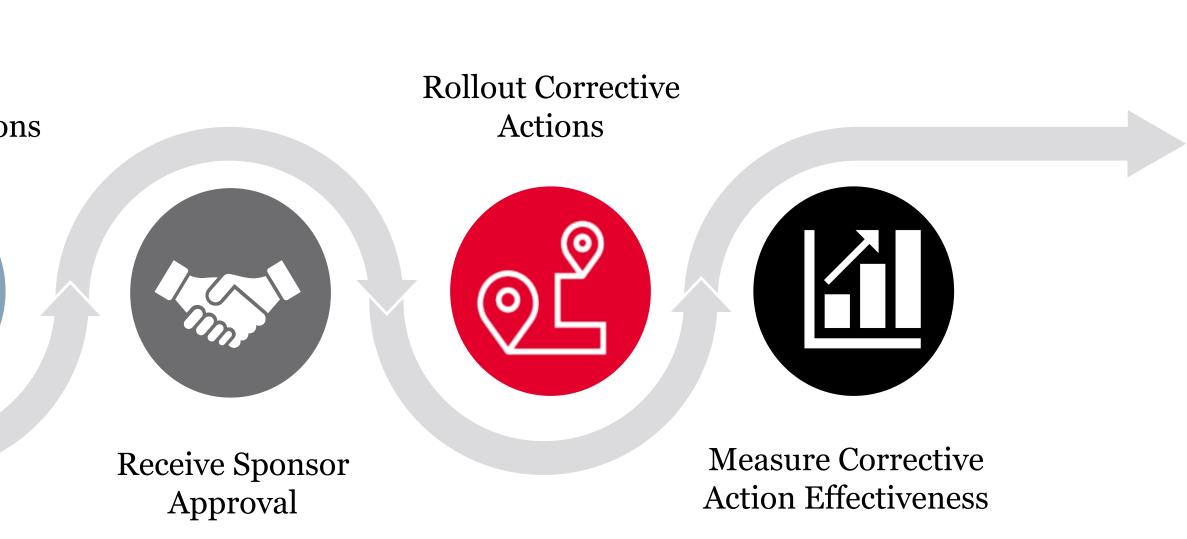
Determine **Corrective Actions**



Assess Employee Feedback

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Change Team will listen to the voice of the impacted employees and will adjust the change journey experience to deliver impactful employee engagement.





Summary and Final Thoughts

Putting It All Together.

Describing these characteristics to leaders will help to tell the change story. Focusing on achieving each characteristic will increase probability of change success.

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Consistently measuring change successes through the lens of these characteristics will deliver change maturity.



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