#### DO WORKPLACE HEALTH RIGHT

WHY HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH & WELLBEING IS A BOARD ISSUE

FRAMEWORKS TO BUILD IMPACT AT AN ORGANISATIONAL LEVEL

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#### **AGENDA**

• HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH & WELLBEING IN THE WORKPLACE

- WHAT DO BOARDS NEED TO DO?
  - GOVERNANCE
  - ORGANISATIONAL PERFORMANCE
  - EXTERNAL FOCUSES
- WHAT DOES GOOD LOOK LIKE?
  - FRAMEWORKS TO CREATE IMPACT

# HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH & WELLBEING IN THE WORKPLACE

# GLOBAL HEALTH LONG TERM TRENDS

Rise in chronic disease	➤ Chronic disease rates are soaring ➤ Illnesses are more manageable — but at increased cost		
Changing demographics	<ul><li>▶ An aging workforce changes needs of employees,</li><li>▶ More women in the workforce</li></ul>		
Changing attitudes	<ul> <li>▶ People are talking more openly about health</li> <li>▶ A societal shift in talking about mental health</li> <li>▶ The healthcare digital revolution</li> <li>▶ Work-life balance more important</li> </ul>		
Government Pressures	<ul> <li>▶ Prevention rather than cure as the strain on health care systems becomes critical</li> <li>▶ There is increasing legislation for regulation &amp; minimum standards</li> <li>▶ Labour productivity is a key economic growth factor and record illness rates</li> </ul>		
Corporate Social responsibility and Competition  Competition  Competition  Corporate Social Responsibility has become a key issue − the 'S' of ESG or CSR  Employee health benefits are increasingly necessary in an Employee Value Proposition  Increasing legislation for transparency in non-financial issues in company's annual report			

## MENTAL ILLNESS NUMBERS

301 million people lived with anxiety and 280 million with depression in 2019

703 000 people died by suicide in 2019

12 billion working days are lost every year to depression and anxiety

4/5 people have reported some form of stress related absence in last year

Only 56% of employees were comfortable talking about mental health such as anxiety or depression

69% employees have experienced mental ill health because of work at some point

WHO: Mental Health at Work Policy Brief

https://www.bitc.org.uk/what-ifyour-job-was-good-for-you/

US \$1 trillion cost to global economy due to depression and anxiety, predominantly from lost productivity

# **EVIDENCE SHOWS THAT WORK** AFFECTS WELLBEING

'Healthy jobs' = Higher Wellbeing = SAFER, LOYAL AND PRODUCTIVE people























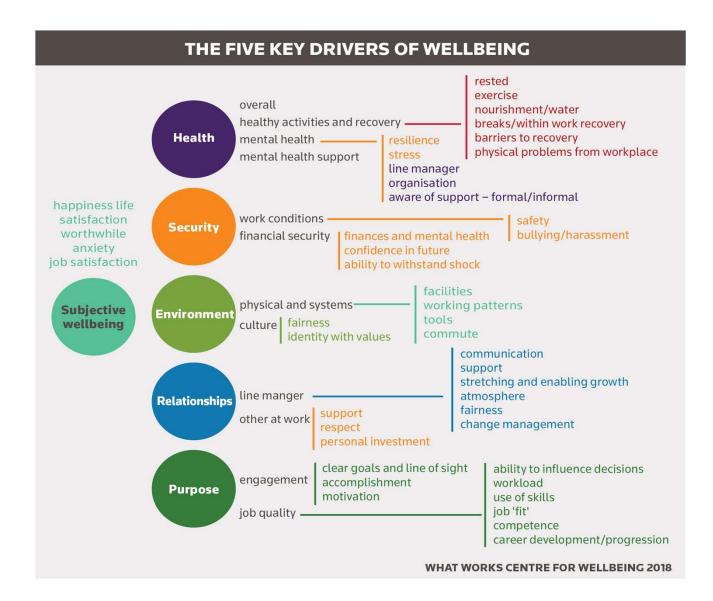




https://whatworkswellbeing.org/

- 1. People work for People:
  - People and Relationships
- 2. We need to feel safe:
  - Security & Environment
- 3. We need to feel fulfilled:
  - Purpose

PRODUCTIVITY PROFITABILITY



# WORKPLACE WELLBEING STRATEGIES OR PROGRAMMES ARE NO LONGER OPTIONAL OR 'NICE TO HAVE'

All organisations are already spending money on health & mental health

Needs to be a core part of an Employee or People Value proposition

- Employee Expectations (Millennials, Post Pandemic)
- The move to hybrid working models
- Attrition / long term sick / long term chronic illness / suicide
- Understand that more is needed than 'awareness raising' / stigma
- Create a 'whole organisational' approach to change culture
- See it as a way of driving organisational resilience
- Use as a Leading Indicator and driver for performance & profitability
- Investors are taking note

ROLE OF THE EMPLOYER IN PAYING FOR HEALTHCARE AND DRIVING HEALTH BEHAVIOURS WILL BE THE QUESTION FOR THE NEXT DECADE

#### IMPACT OF MENTAL HEALTH

Individual & Organisation
Illness and Wellbeing are different

**POOR MENTAL ILLNESS** 

#### **GOOD MENTAL WELLBEING**

A person with a mental illness diagnosis, who copes well and has positive mental wellbeing

A person with no mental illness diagnosis and positive mental wellbeing

#### **Benefits of Positive Mental Health**

- Organisational Resilience
- Higher Performance
- Creativity & Innovation

Ability to absorb change

**GOOD MENTAL ILLNESS** 

A person with a diagnosis of a mental illness and poor mental wellbeing

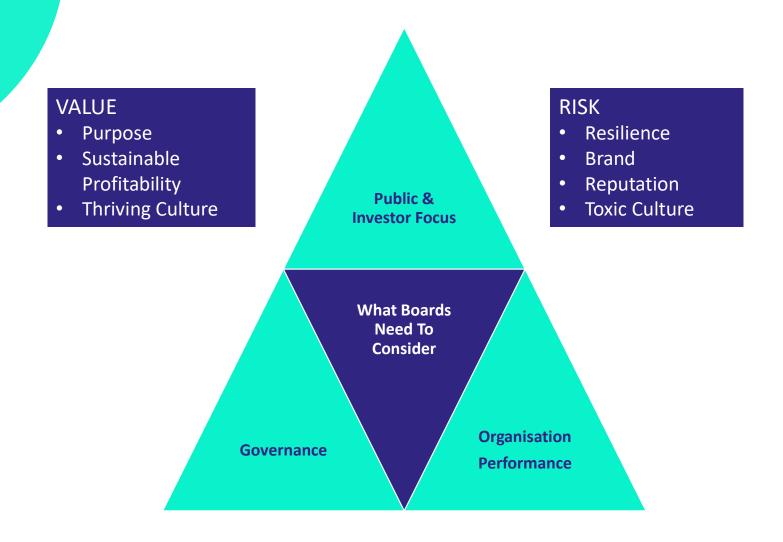
A person with no mental illness diagnosis and poor mental wellbeing

#### **Costs of Negative Mental Health**

- Organisational Fragility
- **Lower Performance**
- Recklessness
- Resistance to change

**POOR MENTAL WELLBEING** 

### RELEVANCE TO THE BOARDROOM



# GOVERNANCE





- 1998 The Working Time Regulations Act (amended 2001)
- 2007 The Corporate Manslaughter & Homicide Act
- 2010 The Equality Act Duty for 'Reasonable Adjustments
- Health and Safety at Work Act 1974
- Relevant European Law & Advice
  - 1996 Commission Guidance on Assessment of Risk psychological injury and violence
  - 1996 Commission Report on Work Related Stress
  - 2001 Commission Guidance on Work Related Stress
  - 2012 Management of psychosocial risks at work: An analysis of the findings of the European Survey of Enterprises on New and Emerging Risks (ESENER)

ISO 45003 – GLOBAL PSYCHOSOCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT STANDARD

# **INTERNAL PERFORMANCE**

#### **ORGANISATIONAL PERFORMANCE**

- Health and Mental Health should be used as a Leading Indicator for Organisational Performance, Resilience and Capability
- The same measures can identify broader issues (sometimes hidden) and risks rather than being limited to absence and illness such as:
  - Culture
  - Resistance to Change
  - Poor quality Leadership & Management
  - Legal & Reputational Risks
- There are also many direct benefit of improved health and mental health
  - Frameworks have been developed to track these direct benefits (BITC)

# BUSINESS IN THE COMMUNITY – REPORT FOR CFOs



### **ECONOMIC VALUE PROPOSITION**

#### **EXHIBIT 1: ECONOMIC VALUE PROPOSITION FRAMEWORK**

	Driver	Definition	Effect in Context
Total direct costs of poor employee	Attrition	The departure of employees from the organisation for any reason (voluntary or involuntary), including resignation, termination, death, or retirement <sup>1</sup>	There are <b>~6,500 employees</b> turned over in the UK attributable to wellbeing per day
wellbeing	Absenteeism	Any failure to report for or remain at work as scheduled, regardless of the reason <sup>2</sup>	Incremental "1.2 days of absence per UK employee annually due to poor wellbeing
9	Direct healthcare costs	Relevant to employment in select countries (i.e., US); over time, social healthcare systems may transfer costs back to employers	Forward-looking lever – impact to be determined
	Presenteeism	The act of staying at work longer than usual, or going to work when you are ill, to show that you work hard and are important to your employer <sup>3</sup>	For <b>8 minutes in every hour</b> , employees perform below their baseline productivity due to poor wellbeing
Total benefits created through good	Productivity	The efficiency with which tasks and goals are accomplished at an organisation, fostered through creativity and innovation <sup>4</sup>	Every employee can win up to 36 working days of productivity from wellbeing improvements
wellbeing	Retention	An organisation's ability to develop a distinct employer value proposition and prevent employee turnover <sup>5</sup>	An average employee has 12-30% higher output than those in first and second year of tenure
	Attraction	How an organisation communicates with potential applicants to attract suitable candidates for a job vacancy <sup>6</sup>	There is a <b>10.5% premium</b> for employers with an above-average happiness score
	Ability to attract Investment	The positive goodwill that good employee wellbeing generates with investors to accelerate investment – evidence is in development	Forward-looking lever – impact to be determined
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## BITC - CALCULATIONS

#### **APPENDIX A: IMPACT SIZING METHODOLOGY**

	Driver	Driver Formula to calculate value			
Total direct costs of poor employee wellbeing	Attrition	Total turnover = Total number of employees <sup>1</sup> x Turnover rate <sup>2</sup> x % of turnover due to wellbeing <sup>3,4</sup> Cost of turnover per employee = % of employee pay loss due to turnover <sup>3,5</sup> x average employee pay <sup>8</sup>			
	Absenteeism	Est. working days lost due to work-related ill health and non-fatal workplace injuries <sup>7</sup> Average daily pay <sup>6</sup>			
	Presenteeism	Productive days lost = Productive days/hours lost per employee <sup>8</sup> x Total number of employees <sup>1</sup> Average daily/hourly pay <sup>8</sup>			
		Incremental value captured from presenteeism depends on the extent of overlap with increased productivity			
	David des	Increase in productivity associated with increased wellbeing9,10,11			
	Productivity	Average value of productivity = Average daily/hourly pay <sup>6</sup> x Total number of employees <sup>1</sup>			
Total benefits created through good wellbeing	Retention	<b>Total turnover</b> = Total number of employees¹ x Turnover rate² x % turnover due to wellbeing³.⁴			
		Benefit of retention = Relative performance in first and second year of tenure compared to average <sup>12</sup> x annual pay <sup>8</sup>			
	Attraction	Total premium by employees for employers with an above-average happiness score in the UK <sup>13</sup> Total turnover = Total number of employees <sup>1</sup> x Turnover rate <sup>2</sup>			

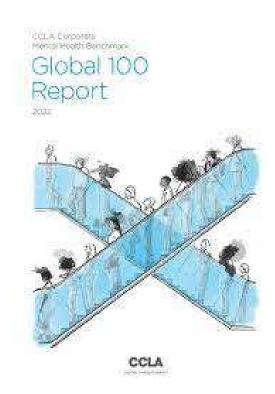
# **EXTERNAL FORCES**

#### **PUBLIC & INVESTOR FOCUS**

- Health and Mental Health is now being used as an emerging indicator to identify the long-term value in an organisation
  - CCLA Corporate Mental Health Benchmark
- Leading organisations are already adopting this:
  - Managers of \$ trillion assets are using the CCLA
- The 'S' of ESG refers to the positive and negative impacts an organisation has on people
- EU Industry 5.0
- The UK Government Social Value Model now includes health and mental health
  - Required for UK Government Procurement

### **CCLA MENTAL HEALTH BENCHMARK**

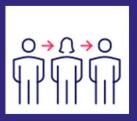




# WHAT WE MEAN BY 'PEOPLE'?



1. Own workforce



2. Workers across the value chain



3. Communities



4. End users

# WHAT DOES GOOD LOOK LIKE?

#### ORGANISATIONAL APPROACHES

#### THERE ARE DIFFERENT WAYS OF APPROACHING WELLBEING AT WORK:

- 1. Health, mental health and wellbeing strategy or policy
- 2. Business in The Community Mental Health Toolkit / Work Well model
  - 1. Suicide Prevention and Postvention Toolkits
- 3. Mind Workplace Wellbeing Index
- 4. HSE Stress Management Standards (Risk Assessment)
- 5. ISO 45003:2021 Psychosocial Health and Safety at Work
- 6. World Health Organisation: Mental Health at Work Policy Brief

IT IS ABOUT CHOOSING A COMPREHENSIVE ORGANISATIONAL APPROACH THAT WORKS FOR YOU AND THINKING THROUGH LEGAL AND COMPLIANCE ISSUES



The Oxford Dictionary defines 'strategy' as:

'a plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall aim'

Tactics / activities are NOT a strategy

## FOUNDATIONS / UNDERPINNING

- 1. Why are you creating a strategy?
- 2. What are you trying to achieve with your strategy?
  - Be specific
  - SMART objective
- 3. How much resource (money / time) are you prepared to commit?
- Vision
- What is good health / mental health / wellbeing to you? (Guardrails)
- Guiding Principles What behaviours are you trying to drive?

Then build your strategy and framework from the foundation up

# BSI's PSYCHOLOGICAL HEALTH & SAFETY AT WORK CERTIFICATION - ISO 45003

ISO 45003 gives guidelines for managing psychosocial risk within the occupational health and safety (OH&S) management system based on ISO 45001.

The organisation will seek to eliminate psychosocial hazards or minimize psychological risks by taking effective preventive and protective measures.

- continual improvement of psychological health and safety management performance
- fulfilment of legal requirements and other requirements
- achievement of psychological health and safety management objectives

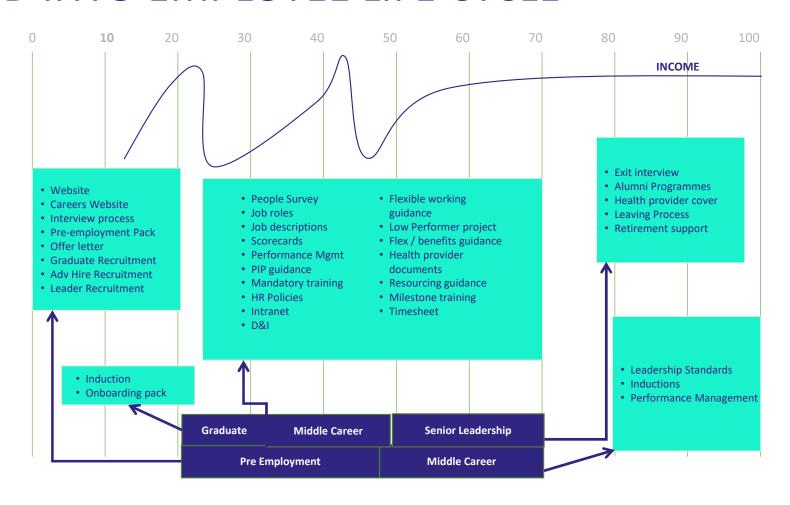


#### WORLD HEALTH ORGANISATION

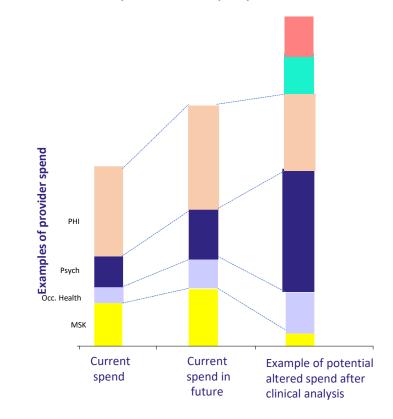


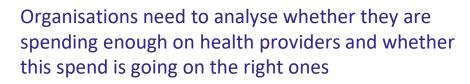
Wellbeing Governance							
PREVE	NTION	SUPPORT					
Psychosocial Risk	Protect + Promote	Identification + Early Support	Treatment + Recovery				
Programme & Training  HR Policies							
Care Pathways & Health Providers  Performance Management & KPIs							
Communication & Culture							
Compliance							
Data, MI & VOI  Boundaries & Guardrails							

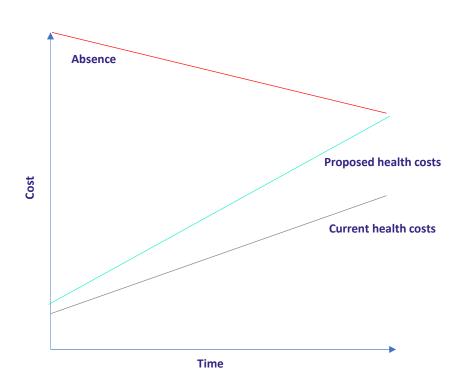
#### EMBED INTO EMPLOYEE LIFE CYCLE



Many organisations provide some form of wellbeing or health provision to employees. This is often dressed up as 'an employee benefit' and not thought of a way of achieving an organisation's goals







Spending more on the right healthcare has been shown to reduce absence, turnover and long term disability, demonstrating a positive ROI and is especially needed post Covid

#### EU Parliament Testimonial - Strategic Consultancy

"We can only wholeheartedly recommend Amy as a consultant to any organization that wants to elevate their mental health policy to a more strategic level."

#### **WAYS WE CAN WORK TOGETHER**

Consultancy

**Strategic Partnerships** 

Mentorship

**Training – 'Do Workplace Health Right' Course** 

See how I've helped previous clients and find out more information: **AmyMcKeown.com** 











#### DO WORKPLACE HEALTH RIGHT

The practical and technical skills-led course on all aspects of creating and implementing an organisational health, mental health, or wellbeing strategy and programme.

"If you're working in the Health, Mental Health and Wellbeing space this course is a must"

MODULE 1 Foundations of a Strategy MODULE 2 Stakeholders and Governance MODULE 3 Brand, Roles, Employee Life Cycle

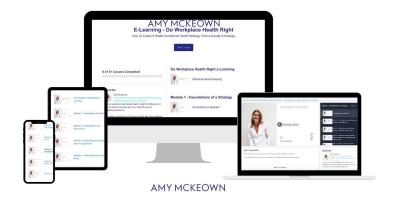
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MODULE 5
Using Health
Providers

MODULE 6
Data and
Measurement

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