

# **Safety Training Targeting Millennials**

### Training Effectiveness and Millennials



Engage, you must...

- Positive, enthusiastic –<u>Listened, I have</u>
- Personal, supportive <u>Understand, I do</u>

Gifted at spotting a FAKE...



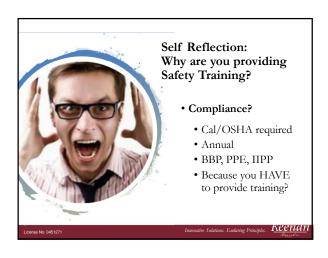
### Training: Providing the Information

How to take it from "Knowing" to "Doing" **Emotionally Charged Safety** 

### Human Nature:

- It only matters when it is directly related to them
- Your job is to make it matter to them
  - They already know the information.
  - How are they influenced?
- Give them an emotional reason to care
- · Eric and the BBP







Think, Pair, Share...

Why are you providing Safety Training?

Was it different when you first started your career?

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Make

it

matter.

### Make Safety Training Matter

- · If it matters to you
  - Have music playing and food available
  - Ice breakers, mentoring
  - Team bonding
- If it matters to Corporate
  - Have senior management kick off the session
    - In person, in video clip
    - Have senior management influence on all safety messaging.
- If it matters to the employees
  - Make the information relevant to them.

Come Home Safe ~ Come Home Soon

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### Think, pair, share...

### Which is the biggest driver to behavior change?

- Pain (Dentist, Back pain, etc)
- Understanding the information
- Feeling it & finding a reason to do it safely

### Safety training needs to influence the way they feel

### 1. Rational

✓ Does the information make sense to the group?

### 2. Emotional

✓ What's in it for ME?

### 3. Physical

 $\checkmark$  Is the workplace conducive to what was just presented and learned in the training?

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### **Rational Safety training**

### 1. Rational / Relevant

- ✓ Does the information make sense to the group? Ask group: Do you agree with this information?
- Most accidents are NOT the result in the lack of knowledge. (Ex: Accident when pushing a cart)
- Accidents happen from:
  - Lapse in judgement
  - Lack of attention
- Rush to get the job done

Action: Aim training at the right thing. Cart pushing training? No, were they rushing? Were they distracted?

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### **Rational Safety Training** In Life, There are No Second Chances Innovative Solutions. Enduring Principles. Keenan



### Rational Safety training



- 1. Rational / Relevant
  - ✓ Classroom training is orientation and awareness. A place to gather knowledge.
  - ✓ Taking that knowledge out to the job site, we practice.
  - ✓ Ask group: Is reinforcement of this material needed?
    - How do they want it? Verbal, nudge, throat clearing?
    - How and how often do they want to hear it?
    - Ask a Millennial:

What do you need on your site to practice safety?

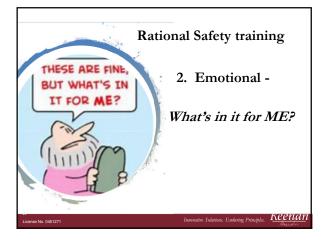
Action: Tailgate topics to MicroLearning modules to tweets

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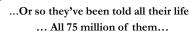
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### Millennials Run on Emotion, Positive Energy, Creativity



• This generation is SPECIAL...



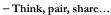
- Used to getting immediate feedback
- Constant feedback
- How SOON do they want

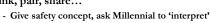


### Strongest Emotion: TRUST



- Immediate response to questions/requests
  - Texts, emails...no phone calls
    - -ANSWER them! Develops **trust**.
    - Calendar your follow up with them (to email or text)
    - Deliver on promises
- Everybody gets one ("team" safety)
  - -What you do for one, consider doing for all







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### **Emotional Safety training**

- 2. Emotional Does your team 'feel' it's important?
  - ✓ Does "MANDATORY" mean they will do it?
    - Speed Limit is 65...
    - That only applies to everyone else!
  - ✓ Ergonomics: People don't 'buy in' until they hurt
  - ✓ How do you convey that the information coming from you is important?

### Think, Pair, Share...

If employee attendance at your training was voluntary,

But...

Your SALARY was 100% dependent on 100% employee participation...

> WHAT WOULD YOU DO DIFFERENTLY?

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### To influence the way they feel, training needs to:

- ❖ Feel like it's for THEM
- \* The location
- ❖ The spread (Claim is \$27,000; spread is \$27)
- Sensitive to their schedule (end of night shift)
- **\*** The delivery

Yuba - New Superintendent "Family breaks bread together" PARMA - Did you wonder about the free coffee?

The better the package, the better the experience

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### They need to FEEL the message you give



### Physical Site Safety training

- 3. Physical Site -
  - ✓ Education becomes training once it leaves the classroom and goes INTO the workplace
    - Create a workplace conducive to what was learned
  - Corporate Safety Messaging What's the Message?
    - Come Home Safe ~ Come Home Soon
  - Learning doesn't stop at the end of session
  - Reinforcements:
    - MicroLearning POST, 5 min trainings, Safety Shorts
    - Social Media Tweets, Texts
    - Walk throughs, rewards, coaching, Role playing
  - Overtime

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## Physical Aspects of the Job Innovative Solutions. Enduring Principles. Keenan

### Pulling at the Heartstrings of Safety or Emotionally Charged Safety

- 1. KNOW YOUR AUDIENCE
  - Millennials learn differently
  - Reinforcement is different
  - Know why are you training?
  - ✓ Compliance? For Corporate? For them?
  - Don't FAKE it (be sincere in your efforts)
  - Keep the session moving along (Poll Everywhere)
  - Take it from knowing to doing

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### Pulling at the Heartstrings of Safety or Emotionally Charged Safety

### 2. IN THE CLASSROOM

- Is the information rational / relevant?
- Did they hear it last year? Think, Pair, Share?
- Does it connect emotionally?
  - ✓ when the pressure is on... will it stick?

### 3. AFTER CLASSROOM



- What does reinforcement look like?
  - ✓ Tweeting Safety? MicroLearning?
- How are you 'connecting' with them?

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