Workplace Change Management Best Practices and Lessons Learned

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Discussion Topics

KEY ELEMENTS OF THE CHANGE PROCESS

BUILDING YOUR CHANGE TEAM

WORKPLACE ENGAGEMENT PROGRAMS: SETTING UP FOR SUCCESS

TIPS AND TRICKS

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There is no "office of the future." **There is only change.**



Source: Knoll, Inc.

Why Organizations Undergo Workplace Change





Goals of Supporting Workplace Change



Ease anxieties of people affected by the change

Reinforce behaviors and practices desired in the new environment

> Resolve conflicts in habits, attitudes and organizational culture

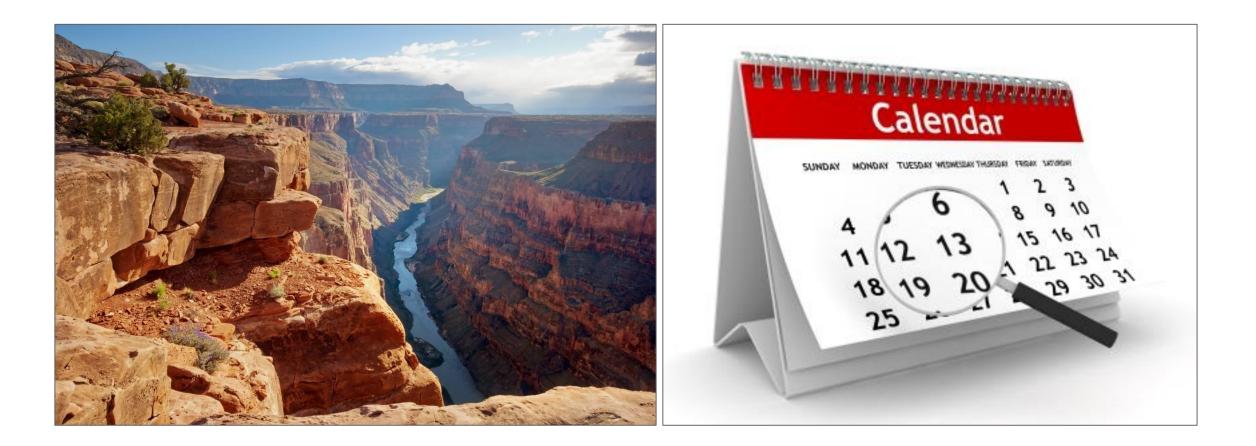
Accelerate the adjustment process and minimizing disruption to normal workflow

Maximize the return of physical investments



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Change is a Process, Not an Event





The Change Process is Iterative





Source: Proprietary Content, Knoll, Inc.

Clarify Project Scope: Include ALL that is changing



New Spaces + New Desks = New Workstyles, New Habits

- Coffee/water locations
- Copiers/Printers
- Technology (does everyone get the same?)
- Bathrooms
- Adjacencies: who sits next to whom?
- Scheduling: who can book a meeting room?
- Privacy: where to go to make personal calls?

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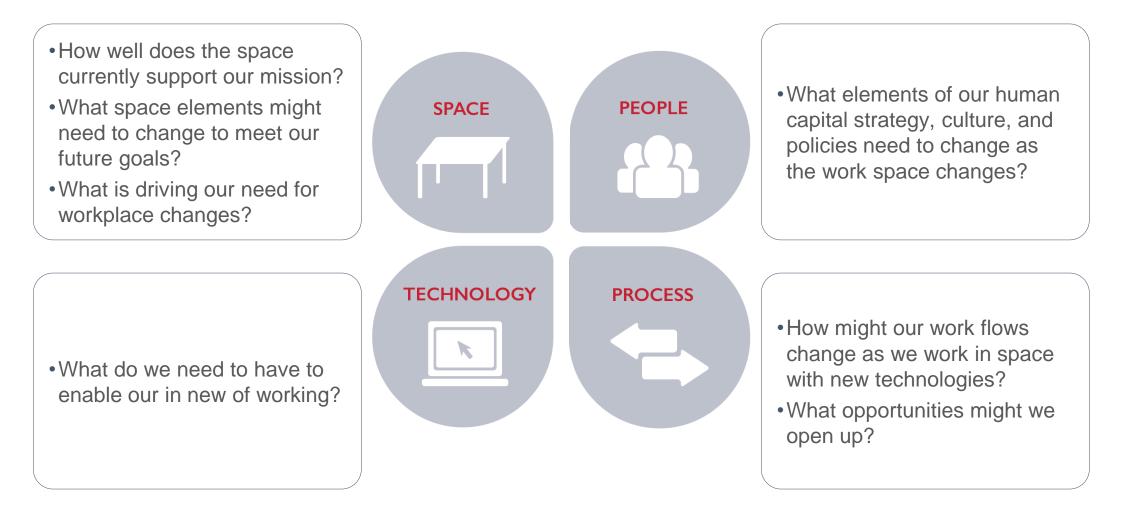
New Location = New Routines

- Commute
- Parking
- Security Protocol
- Restaurants
- Day care
- Services: doctors, dentists, dry cleaning, grocery stores, florists, etc.

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Change management should consider 4 elements



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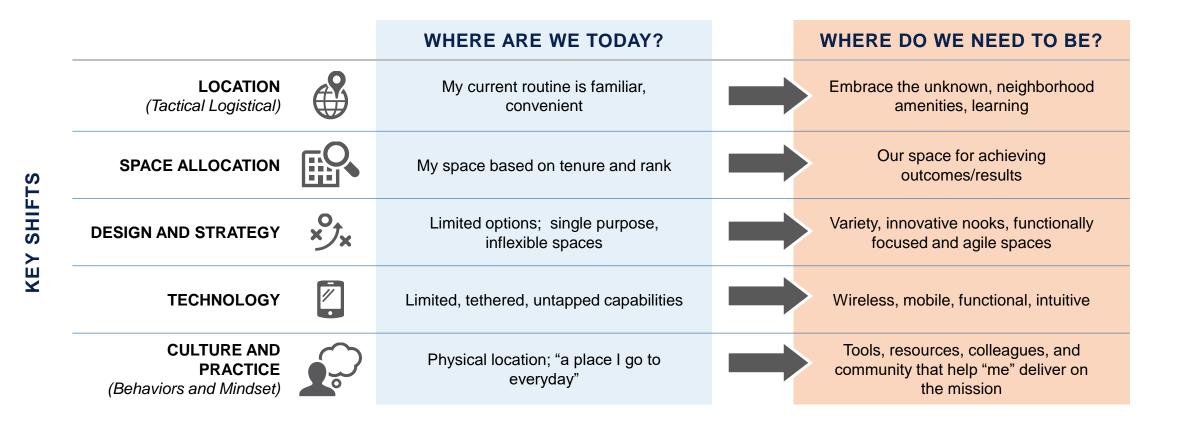
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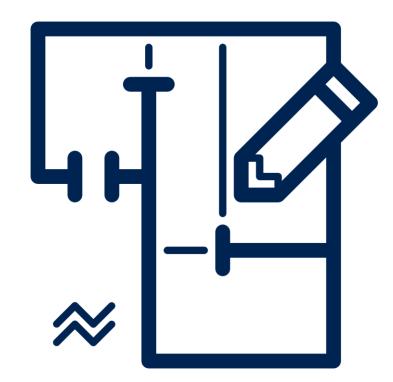


Define and Build the Change Team and Decision Structure





Implementation





IMPLEMENTATION GUIDING PRINCIPLES

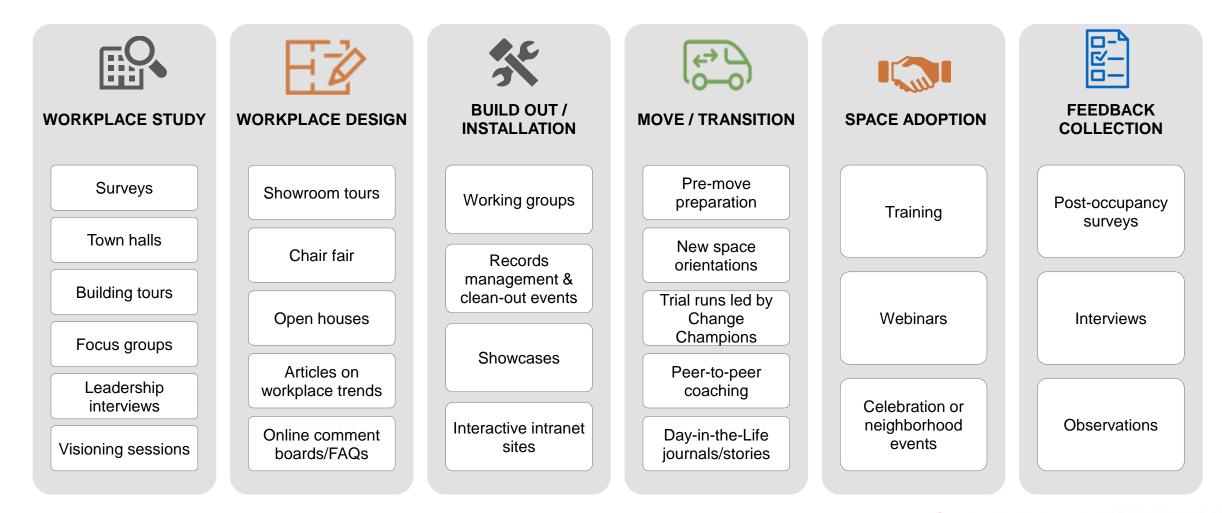
Co-creation Leads to Ownership

 Input and Involvement within structured activities; the time invested accelerates adoption

Ongoing Dialogue, Not Just Communication



IMPLEMENTATION PRACTICAL PROGRAM GUIDE





Evaluation: Who cares and what do they care about?

- Identify your Audience for the results when planning your project what is important to your decision-makers?
- **Define** "success" criteria for project, **then** outline how you will provide data on those items.
- **Collect** actual, not anecdotal evidence. Ask for specific feedback, not broad judgments. Example: do not ask if users "like" their workplace.





Final Thoughts

- Invest your change energy wisely
- Trendy words come with baggage
- Communicate sooner rather than later
- Commitment to the outcomes through participation
- Make new mistakes, not the same mistakes as others
- With every project, you're only going to get 90-95% right; new spaces will lead to new behaviors, which will require new elements and support over time.



Remember: Change is On-Going





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"A great workplace is about more than real estate. It's about empowering people and making them feel connected to the company—to our brand and culture."

-FACILITY EXECUTIVE



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