# Acknowledging Successes & Mistakes

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"Failure is simply the opportunity to begin again, this time more intelligently"
- Henry Ford

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### **Acknowledging Success**

- Personalize your acknowledgment of success
  - Consider the team or individuals personality and preferences
  - Praise is a direct reflection of a contribution or performance and should be treated as such
  - Rewarding someone with Starbucks Gift Cards isn't always the ticket
  - Make sure recognition is at the heart of the consideration on how to reward them
  - If an employee makes a mistake they are likely going to be redirected. The same should be applied for success in reverse. Celebrate success.
  - Recognition and reward is crucial for building confidence and maintaining a positive environment.

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### Quick & Easy Ways To Reward Success

- A compliment on how well an employee performed in any situation
- A "Thank You" for going above and beyond
- "This is great", let's save this and use this one in the future"
- "Wow, great job on that assignment/call/patient"
- "I appreciate you"
- "You exhibited a lot of emotional intelligence on that"

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### Bigger Ways to Acknowledge Success

- During a team/staff meeting
- On a company email
- Take the employee to lunch or dinner, invite their family
- A gift that is personalized for them (\$50 is a good amount to spend)
- Celebrate with something for the entire office to acknowledge this
  person or team's success. Good ideas are an ice cream party, an after
  work social, bring a food truck to the office for lunch or a snack, give
  everyone a small gift card for a local business, team field trip

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#### Mistakes..... Aka Performance Failures

- Bad work should not be hidden
- Use failures to recognize innovation
- Applaud employees who ask for help, or who speak up for help on tackling a project
- Do not use phrases such as "we want to see more of this"
- Do not insinuate that employee's good enough efforts, aren't good enough
- Humans are not like computers, we are not meant to run at high speeds continuously, for long periods of time

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## Find the Behaviors that are Important to Your Practice

- Your employee behaviors and performance should be tied with your mission statement
- Exhibit this behavior personally with your team
- Develop performance metrics you cannot fail or succeed if you don't understand the goal
  - A phone call should last no more than seven minutes
  - Checking-in a patient is a five-minute process
  - A patient should not wait to be called back longer than 5 minutes without an update from a team member

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### In Summary

- · Celebrate success big and small
- Be timely and bold in recognizing success
- · Acknowledge mistakes but do not squash innovation
- Don't allow for excuses or passing the buck
- Teach your team how to own their successes and mistakes without fear
- Always find a way to say "Thank You"

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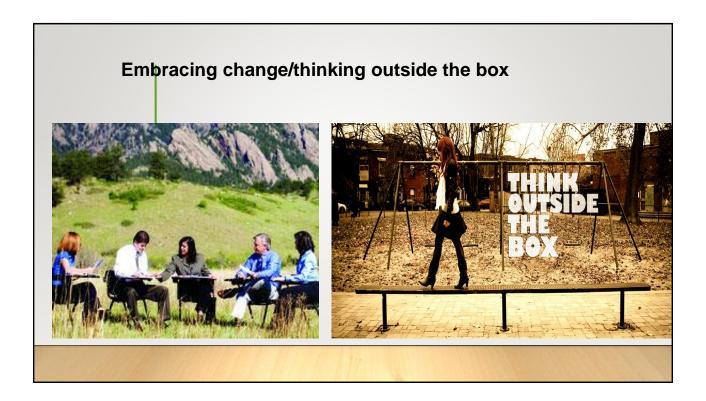




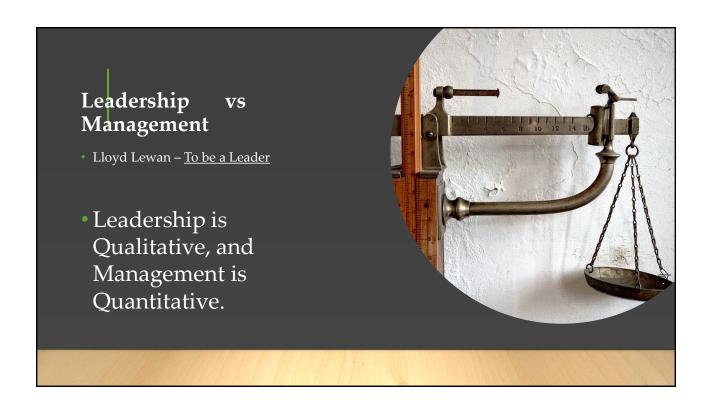
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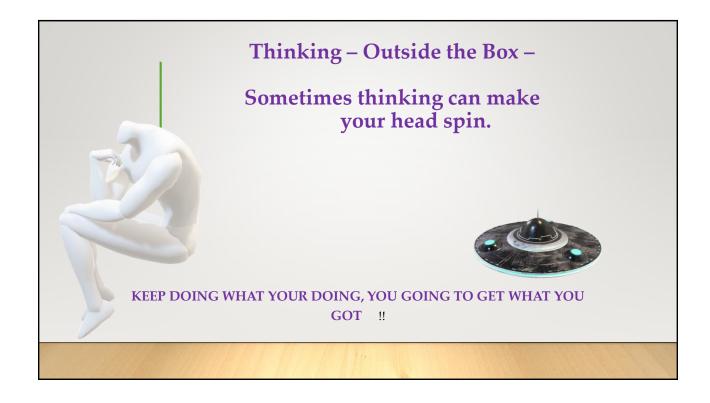
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• Great leaders don't set out to be a leader... they set out to make a difference. It's never about the role, always about the goal.

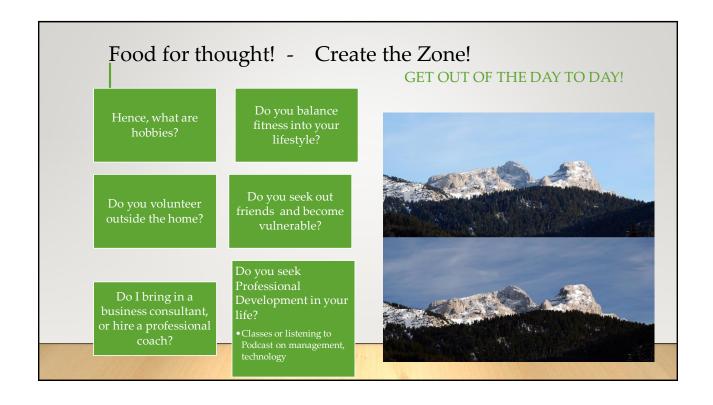


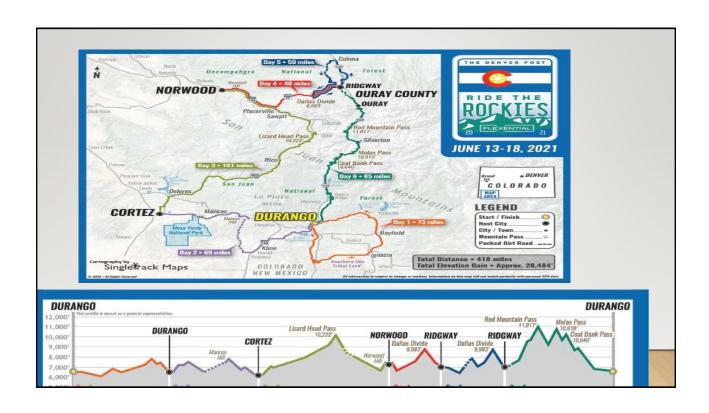




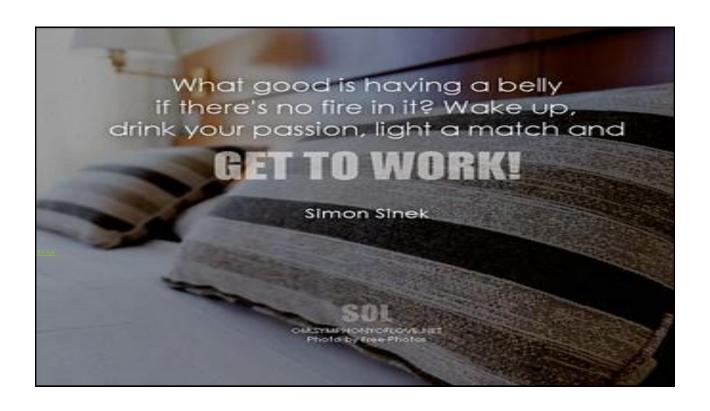




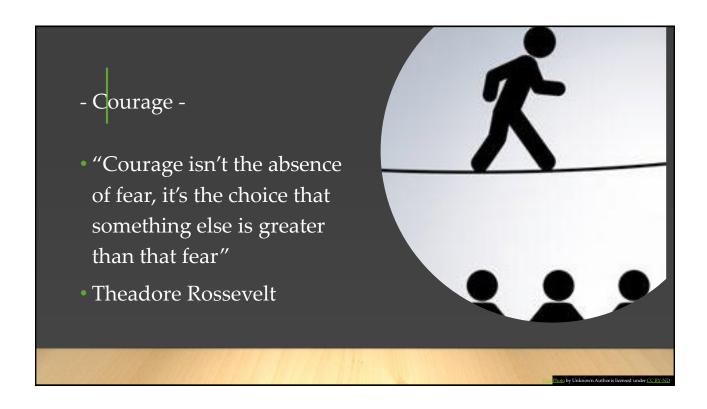








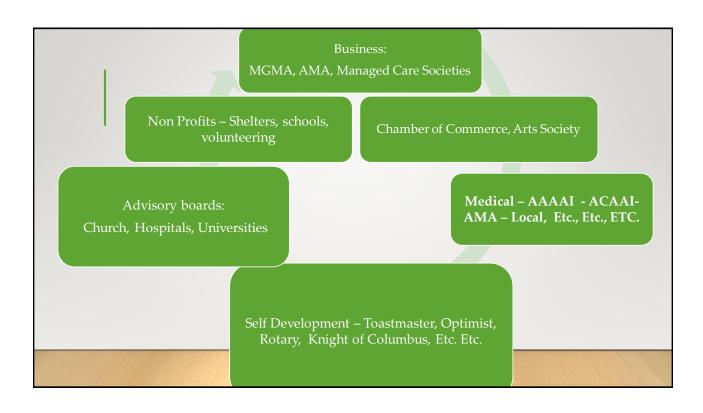


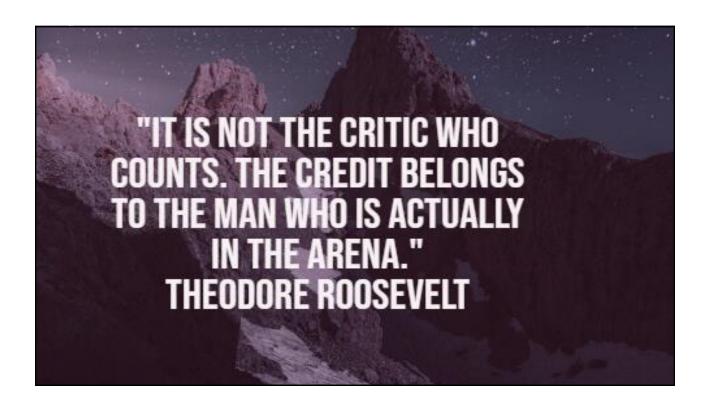




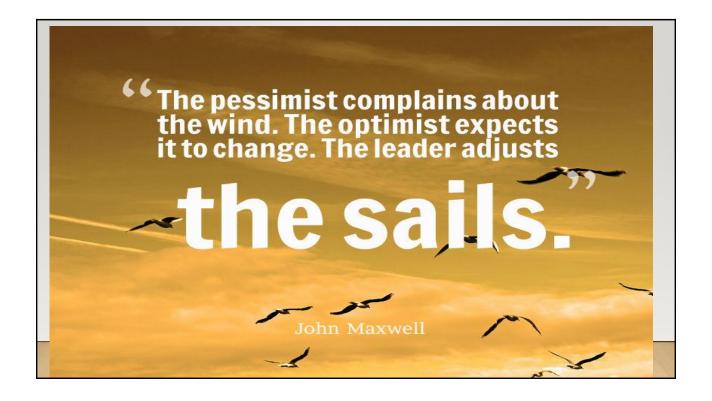












### Wrapping Up:

- Thinking outside the box
- Leadership Create change and make it happen
- Create a Zone to think and embrace change
- Fire in the Belly Get to work
- Networking Finding an advisor:
  - Be intentional
  - Courage
  - Get out of your comfort zone!

