

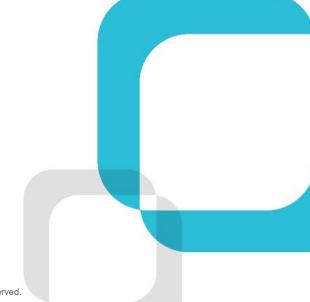




## **HR Optimization: Key Themes for Organizational Excellence**

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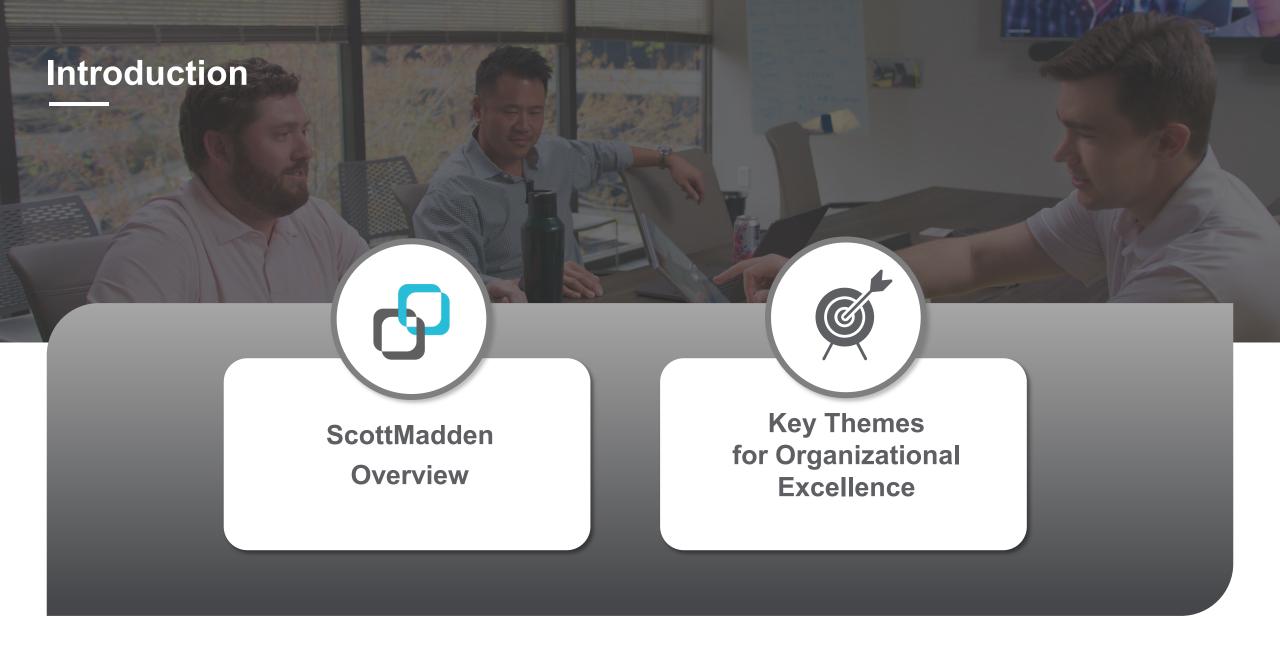


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#### Who We Are

ScottMadden is a management consulting firm with more than 40 years of deep, hands-on experience.



We deliver a broad array of **corporate and shared services consulting services**—from strategic planning through implementation—across many industries, business units, and functions.

Our **knowledge**, **expertise**, **and experience are unmatched**—no other firm has helped more clients with more unique solutions.



#### **CORPORATE & SHARED SERVICES**

#### **Experience**

Our experienced team has been a pioneer in corporate and shared services since the practice began decades ago. We employ deep, cross-functional expertise to produce practical, measurable solutions.

#### Scope

We have completed thousands of projects since the early '90s, including hundreds of large, multi-year implementations. Our clients range across a variety of industries from energy to healthcare to higher education to retail. Our areas of expertise span the spectrum of middle and back office corporate and shared services.

#### **Services**

We have helped our clients with assessment, strategy, design, implementation, technology, business case and roadmap, governance, program management, and change management.

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#### **Corporate and Shared Services Capabilities**



- Strategic planning
- Feasibility analysis
- Benchmarking
- Statistical and analytical modeling
- Leading practices assessment
- Performance evaluation
- Project planning
- Leadership education and buy-in
- Staff evaluation
- Change readiness assessment
- Site visits
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- Current state analysis
- Future state design
- Business case development
- Service delivery model design
- Work scope delineation
- Policy assessment
- Intelligent automation strategy
- Sourcing evaluation
- Organizational design
- Technology evaluation
- Transformation planning
- Implementation planning
- Change management

- Project management
- Service and transaction center build
- Detailed organizational design
- Staffing
- Policy harmonization
- Process redesign
- Technology design, selection, implementation, and support
- Education and training
- Facility design and setup
- Change management
- Sourcing implementation
- Metrics and dashboarding

- Analytics setup and deployment
- Operations improvement
- Governance
- Service expansion
- Cost reduction
- Process redesign
- Intelligent automation opportunities/implementation
- Technology upgrade
- Merger and acquisition integration
- Field resource development
- Voice-of-the-customer surveys
- Metrics and performance management

#### **Representative Clients**

Retail and **Consumer Products** 

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**Technology and Communications**  Higher Ed., Public Sector, Non-profit **Energy and Utilities** 

Healthcare

**Professional Services** 

















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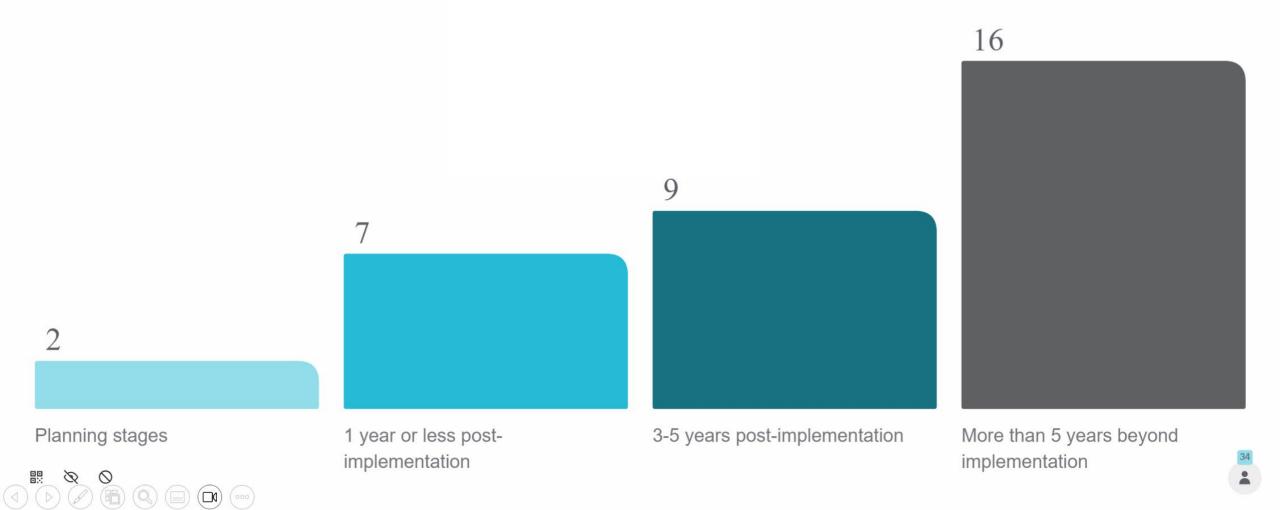




Note: Representative sample; not all-inclusive of clients served. Excludes numerous well-known clients due to confidentiality agreements



#### Where are you in your shared services journey?



#### **Leading Practices Shared Services Operating Model**



#### **Single Source of Content**

Centralized portal and knowledgebase with robust search functionality

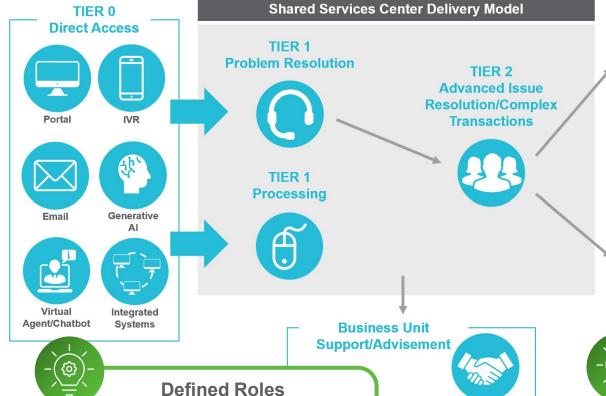
Clear Scope and Simple Access **Employees and** managers know where to go for service

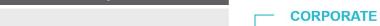


- Executives
- Managers
- Employees



- Vendors
- Government agencies







TIER 3 Centers of **Expertise** 



**Paths** Well-defined workflow and hand-off points

**Standard** 

**Escalation** 

Clearly defined roles and responsibilities that are aligned to the right channel of delivery



**Continuous Improvement** 

Process improvement driven by data



#### **Benefits of a Shared Services Model**

# **Improve Service Delivery** and **Transparency**

- Better customer experience
- Standard processes
- Common model for expansion
- Performance metrics

# Gain Control and Leverage Data

- Improve reporting and analytics
- Improve compliance
- Better decision-making



#### **Cost Control and Scalability**

- Skillset and work alignment
- Economies of scale
- Automation of process
- Elimination of redundant work

#### **End-to-End Accountability**

- Less rework caused by upstream process issues
- Improved end-to-end process coordination
- Focus on root-cause problem resolution



#### **Benefits of Shared Services – HR Benchmark Examples**

Top-performing service centers operate more efficiently and provide a better customer experience.

**Customer Experience in HR** 

90%

**First-Contact Resolution** 

20 secs

**Average Speed to Answer** 

8%

**Service Center Employee Turnover** 





#### **Common Challenges and Mitigation Tactics**

#### **COMMON CHALLENGES**

Resistance

Lack of Accountability

Silo Mentality

Limited Innovation and Stagnation

Lack of Standardization

Poor Organization or Skill Alignment

**Internal Focus** 

Limited Current State

#### **MITIGATION TACTICS**

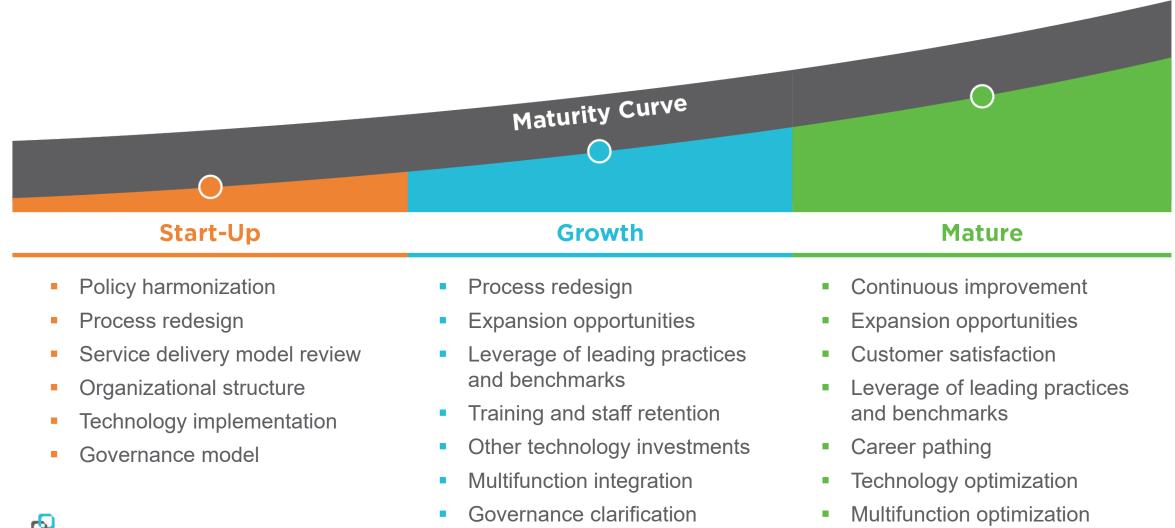
- Strong, sustained leadership and sponsorship
- Executive sanctioning of the new process
- Stretch goals and aggressive timing
- Effective measurement and rewards
- Leveraging leading practices

- Customer participation
- Work-focused; not functional teams
- Removing current state service delivery pathways (not aligned with future state) at the first opportunity
- Cascaded, frequent communication

- Willingness to spend time and effort in evaluation of current operations
- Visits to successful operations
- Detailed current state assessments and future state design



#### **Opportunities Exist, Regardless of Your Maturity**



#### **Shared Services Optimization Framework**

#### **Service Delivery Model**



- Strategy and Governance
- Scope of Services
- Scope Expansion Strategy
- Sourcing Strategies
- Customer Experience
- Stakeholder Management

#### **Organization and People**



- Organizational Structure and Staffing Levels
- Roles and Responsibilities
- Staff Skills, Competencies, and Expertise
- Staff Development
- Career Pathing
- Team and Organizational Culture

#### **Policy and Process**



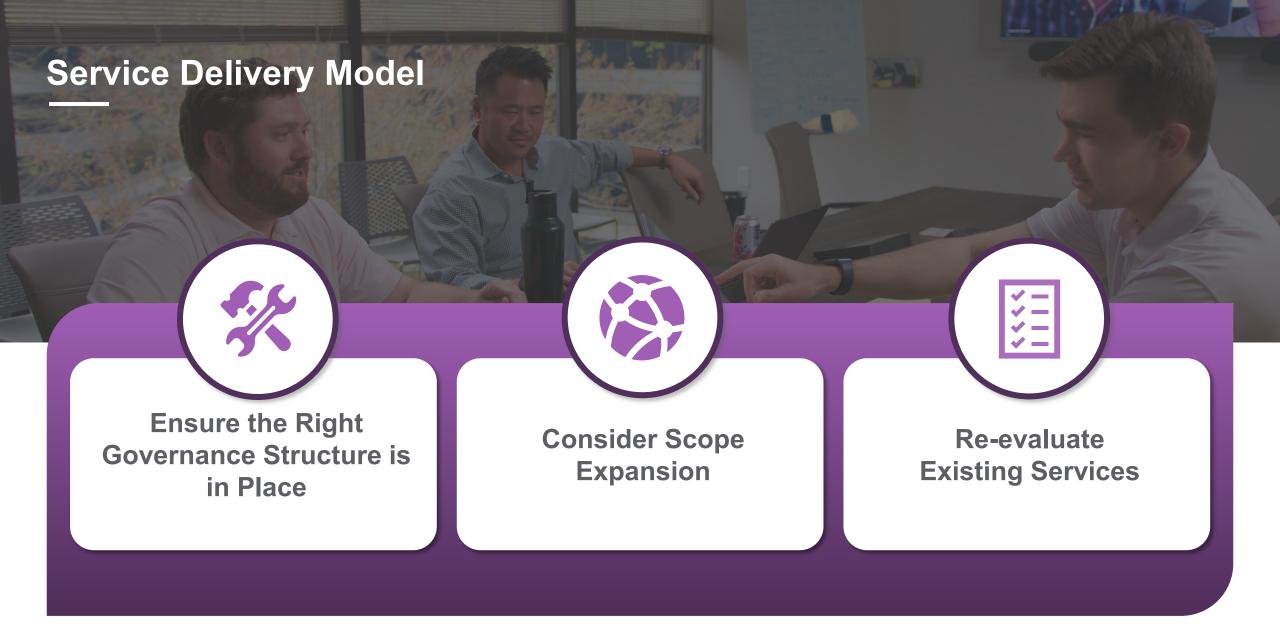
- Policy and Process Harmonization
- End-to-End Process Orientation
- Compliance with Policies and Processes
- Documentation and Resources
- Continuous Improvement Framework
- Operational Processes

#### **Technology and Data**



- Applications and Systems
- Metrics and Success Measures
- Reports, Dashboards, and Insights
- Customer Portal and Self-service
- Knowledgebase and Knowledge Management
- Automation







#### **Dealing with Strategic Changes**

Changes in strategic direction are common as companies pivot to address market pressures.

Are your SSC operations pivoting and evolving to meet strategic needs? Do you have the right governance in place?

#### **Local Operations**

Are there processes that came into the center that, in hindsight, are not being effectively managed and should have remained local?

**Outsource Providers** 

Outsourcing unstable or

a recipe for success

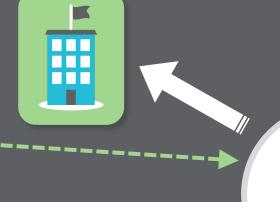
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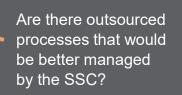
have stabilized under SSC

control that would now be

candidates for outsourcing?







#### Acquisitions

- While you were busy building and stabilizing your SSC, your company made acquisitions. Some of them may even have their own SSC operations...
- Is now the time to integrate them and their standardized practices?



#### **Establish Strong Governance**

A governance structure drives increased engagement and accountability within the shared services organization, creates an overall mechanism to manage and prioritize issues/opportunities, and adds visibility for leadership.



#### **Post-implementation Governance Focus**

- Manage requests for future policy, process, or technology customizations
- Manage requests for different employee populations to be treated in a different manner
- Uncover and address service issues
- Make critical decisions and set action items regarding changes to scope of services, new employee populations, etc.
- Perform scheduled reviews of the performance metrics



#### **Key Considerations**

- Match the governance structure to the potential for issues
  - Small potential for differences = less formal and structured governance
  - Large potential for differences = more formal and structured governance
- Incorporate customers and partner representation
  - Allows customers to influence direction of the service center and ensures responsiveness to business needs
- Establish criteria for evaluating issues and making decisions

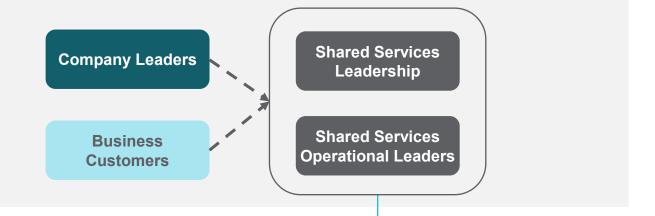


#### Governance vs. Execution

#### **GOVERNANCE LAYER**

#### Identify and prioritize the list that needs to be worked

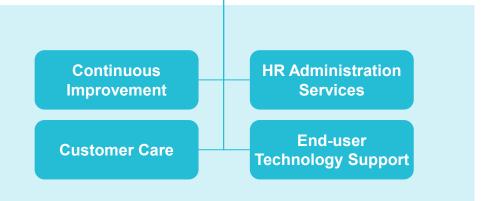
- Thematic issues
- Prioritization of focus
- Status of existing enhancements
- Maintenance of cross-functional discussion/partnership



#### **EXECUTION LAYER**

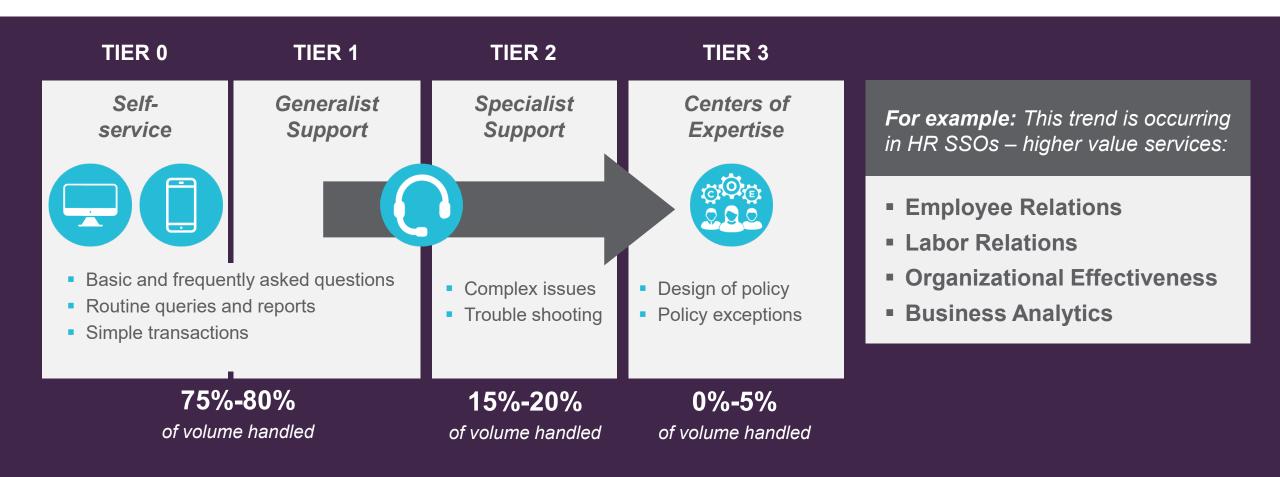
#### Support, assign resources, and drive completion against the list

- Dividing the work/issues to be resolved across the teams
- Identifying and documenting the steps to achieve/complete resolution on the issues
- Driving and executing on the fixes/improvements
- Providing status updates back to the governance layers





#### Continue to Drive Scope up the Value Chain





#### **End-to-End Process in Service Expansion**



# Consider employee-facing work from an end-to-end view to:

- Reduce handoffs
- Drive consistency in service
- Enhance the overall customer experience



#### **Service Migration Approach**

Identify

**Assess** 

Migrate

**Finalize** 

- Identify the pockets of transactional work across the organization that could drive further efficiency for the organization and better customer support
- Consider the evaluation criteria
  - Fit and complexity
  - Level of effort
  - Cost savings
- Determine the timeline for migration
- Determine the migration type

- Complete work across workstreams, as needed by function
  - Revise roles
  - Set new organization structure and staffing
  - Determine facilities needs
  - Improve processes
  - Revamp technology

- Assess how the function is performing postmigration
- Establish baseline metrics
- Create reporting and metrics



#### **ScottMadden Case Study**

# **Employee Relations Transformation**



A major healthcare system's employee relations function had grown organically through M&A, and in a post-pandemic environment, was experiencing increased volumes, challenges, and complexities with their HR employee investigations processes. These challenges were leading to enterprise risk, legal and compliance exposure, and decreased employee morale.

#### **KEY ACTIVITIES**



Assessed the current operations, designed a new service delivery model, including a Center of Expertise (CoE), assigned crossenterprise roles and responsibilities, designed a new organization structure with staffing needs, and created a business case, including recommended technology enablers



Recommended approach to mitigate near-term employee investigation risks, including standing up the employee relations module in ServiceNow; designed a longer-term, phased rollout approach for the CoE



Created standardized processes for investigations and developed tools for clear and consistent decision-making, all tailored to fit the healthcare system's specialized requirements



Planned and led **implementation of the new CoE** for two initial regions, including redesigning policies and processes, updating ServiceNow, and leading overall change management efforts



Developed an enterprise governance structure to provide programmatic oversight of the new investigations program, including establishing risk levels to ensure the most severe investigations get the most enterprise attention and resources



Reduced overall labor costs for the employee relations function while centralizing specialized resources to perform the work more efficiently and effectively than the previous decentralized model



HR business partners, who have been overwhelmed by investigations work, now have more availability to help their business customers with more strategic work



#### **Advantages and Disadvantages of Growth**



#### **Advantages of Growth**

- The shared services model works to:
  - Improve service delivery
  - Lower total costs
- Economies of scale
- Synergies (e.g., onboarding of new employees)
- Standardization of processes and elimination of redundant processes
- Shared technology
- Shared management and administration
- Cross-training
- Additional advancement opportunities for shared services employees
- Improved customer service
- Allows business units to focus on core processes



#### **Disadvantages of Growth**

- Investment requirements upfront costs to transition and centralize technology, staff, equipment, and facilities
- Additional bureaucracy
- Size can hamper responsiveness
- Requires broader technical expertise at the top to manage additional functions
- Perception of kingdom-building
- Potential impacts to employees currently performing the work

Despite potential disadvantages, a successful shared services organization must continue to grow, evolve, and demonstrate additional relevance. Failure to do so will lead to stagnation



#### Revisit What Sits Locally vs. Within Shared Services

We often encounter instances where processes have been migrated that do not align with the established shared services model or fail to effectively meet customer needs.

# Shared Services Shared Services

- Highly Specialized or Customized: Process requires a specialization, customization, or focused attention
- Sensitive or Strategic: Process involves sensitive/confidential information or strategic decision-making
- Low Volume or Frequency: Process has low volumes/ infrequent demand, making it less cost-effective to centralize

- Clear Processes and Metrics: Process is well defined (and mostly standardized) with metrics and performance indicators
- Repetitive/Routine Tasks: Processes have repetitive tasks that can be streamlined, automated, and centrally managed and are of sufficient volume to create economies of scale
- Technology Enablement: Process can leverage technologies such as ERP systems, automation tools, and digital platforms



#### **Consider Outsourcing as a Strategy**

Outsourcing is an effective strategy employed by many (if not most) shared services organizations. Choosing the right time to outsource is critical to the strategy's success.

#### **Benefits to Outsourcing**

- Cost Savings: Outsourcing can reduce operational costs, including labor, infrastructure, and overhead expenses
- Access to Expertise: Gain access to specialized skills and expertise not available in-house
- Focus on Core Activities: Allows the organization to focus on core business functions and strategic initiatives
- Scalability: Easily scale operations up or down based on business needs without the burden of fixed costs
- Improved Efficiency: Outsourcing to specialized providers often leads to increased efficiency and productivity



#### **Caution**

Outsourcing unstable or disparate processes transfers the problems elsewhere; control may be limited

Processes that are stable and standardized are ideal candidates for inclusion in an outsourcing strategy, freeing up resources and focus for new opportunities and challenges



#### When Is It Time to Reconsider Your Outsourcing Arrangement?

Enduring a painful and ineffective relationship with your outsourcing provider leads to ongoing challenges and potential loss of goodwill from your customers.



#### Signs that your outsourcing relationship is in trouble:

- Poor Communication
- Quality Issues
- Missed Deadlines
- Cost Overruns
- Lack of Flexibility

- Security Breaches
- Dependency Risk
- Cultural Misalignment
- Legal or Compliance Issues
- High Turnover

Customers will <u>not differentiate</u> between services provided by your SSC and those provided by your external BPO providers. Addressing issues with these providers is critical to the overall success of your operation







#### Six Reasons to Focus on Competencies and Skillsets

As traditional models evolve and expand, organizations should evaluate their leadership and employee competencies to ensure talent requirements remain aligned.



#### 1. Enable Performance Management

Ensure you have the right set of competencies and then measure against them for a comprehensive view of organizational capabilities.



#### 2. Identify Strengths and Gaps

Identify strengths and weaknesses in teams and individuals.



#### 3. Align Skills with Roles

Match employees to roles and responsibilities that align with their strengths and expertise to increase performance and job satisfaction.



#### 4. Inform Training and Development

Determine the specific skills and knowledge areas where employees may benefit from additional training, coaching, or skill-building programs.



#### 5. Facilitate Succession Planning

Identify high-potential individuals, develop talent pipelines, and prepare for future leadership and skill needs.

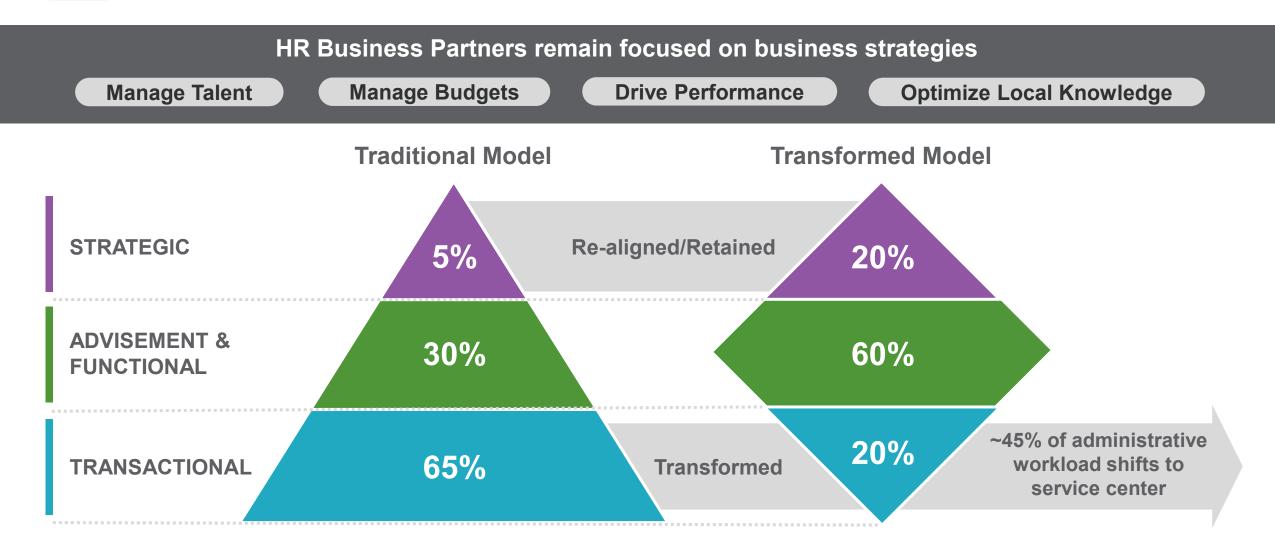


#### **6. Drive Continuous Improvement**

Address gaps by investing in skill development to enhance performance, efficiency, and overall effectiveness.



#### Optimizing the HR Business Partner Role Is Critical to the Model





#### **Evaluate the Organization's Competencies**

Developing a process or tool for measuring the organization's level of proficiency across the competency framework can identify group and individual strengths and gaps. Results allow leadership to better align employees in their current roles, in growth opportunities, or in succession planning while highlighting needs for securing new talent.



#### **ASSESS**

- Define competencies by level
- Collect ratings from the employee and two additional raters (typically the manager or a peer)





#### **IDENTIFY**

 Tabulate results tabulated by individual, career level, organization, or other demographic breakdowns





#### **PLAN**

- Plan improvement opportunities for the organization
- Tailor personalized feedback based on individual results

#### Case Study: HR Business Partner Competencies and Skills



A recent higher education client realized HR Business Partner (HRBP) knowledge and skills varied across colleges and business units. With hopes of evaluating and eventually upskilling, ScottMadden issued a survey to all HRBPs to measure the organization's level of proficiency in key HR competencies.

Nine Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM)
Competencies Evaluated:

#### **Business Skills**

- Business Acumen
- Critical Evaluation
- Consultation

#### **Leadership Skills**

- Leadership Navigation
- Ethical Practice

#### **Interpersonal Skills**

- Communication
- DE&I
- Relationship Management

#### **Technical Skills**

 HR Expertise, which can be modified for non-HRBPs



#### **Build a Program to Address Skill Gaps**



Curriculum options organized by competency and by level (early, mid/leader)



Attend scheduled trainings or use the self-paced track and engage with your cohort



Prove your skills on the job, as verified by leaders/peers, and receive a certificate of completion



LEARN and ENGAGE

**SHOW** 

Developing a program to address identified skill gaps can help to ensure a consistent, top-quality level of service and knowledge from the team.



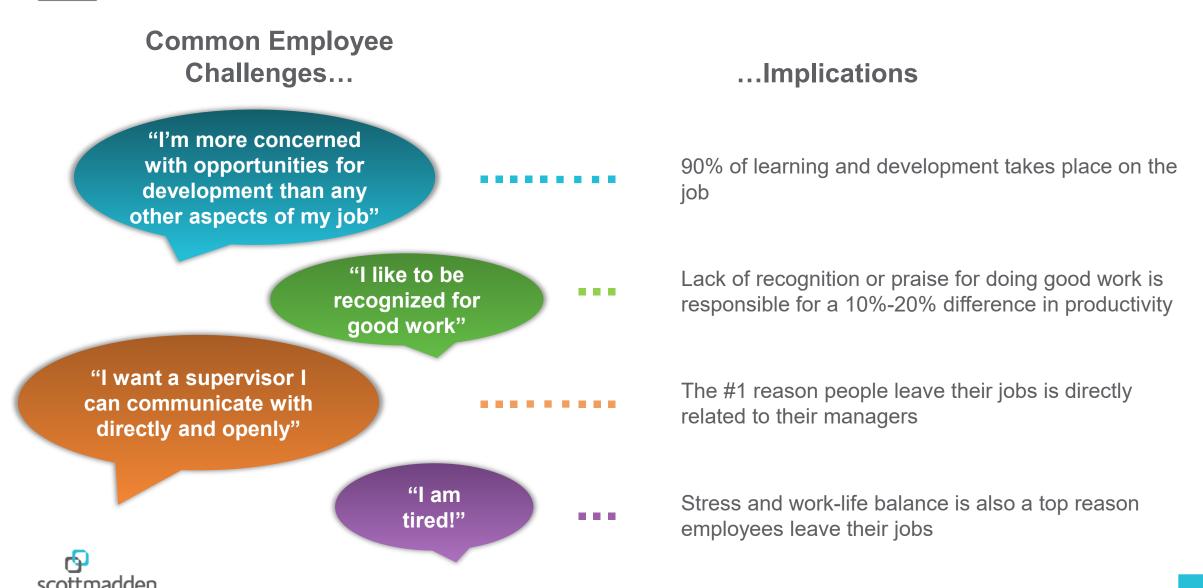
#### **Employee Engagement Is Critical**

Engaged employees aren't just more productive, they also tend to be more loyal and committed to their companies.





#### Where Are Employees Asking for More?





#### What have been the most effective engagement strategies at your organization?

57 responses







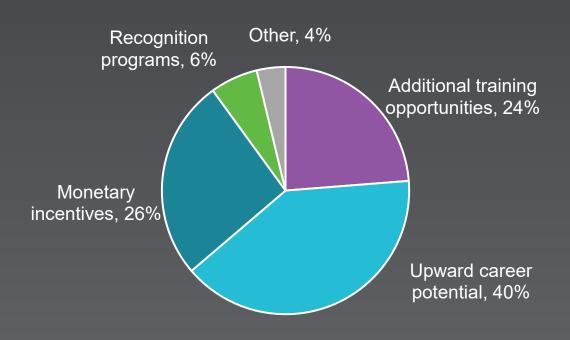
#### **Engage Employees and Enhance the Employee Experience**

Upward career potential, monetary incentives, and additional training opportunities are reported as top drivers for retaining staff among survey respondents.

#### **An Effective Leader:**

- Provides a clear, concise, and overt statement on rewards
- Is helpful in markets where talent is difficult to attract
- Differentiates a company as an employer of choice and provides candidates a clear view

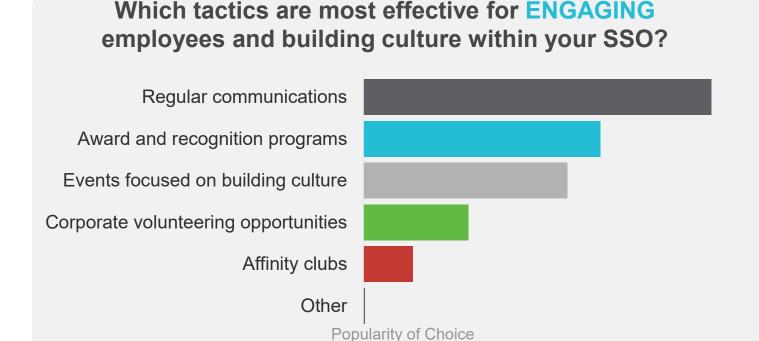
# What is the biggest driver for RETAINING staff in your organization?





## **Cultivating Employee Engagement**

ScottMadden's Talent Management Survey identifies communication, recognition, and culture-building events as favored engagement tactics.



### **BUILDING A GREAT CULTURE**

"A great corporate culture [includes] open communication, mutual respect, shared goals, and a commitment to employee growth and development."

Source: The 8 Elements of Great Company Culture. www. Greatplacetowork.com







### **Process Improvement – The Next Step**

As your shared services organization matures and continuous improvement becomes a larger action area, it's time to take a deeper look at processes that need attention. While this might involve designing processes that are added to the SSO's function, it could also be focused on improving processes you already have.



### **Design New Processes**

Processes that are added to the scope of the SSO because of evidence of success, trust, or a previously planned transition



### **Redesign Existing Processes**

Processes conducted by the SSO today, including the particularly tough ones

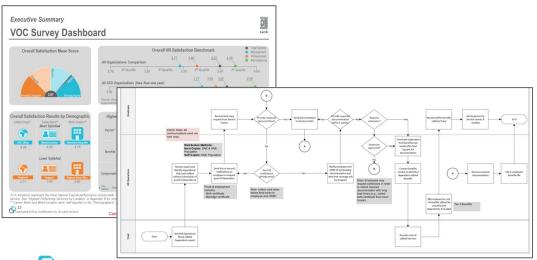


## Adding User Experience (UX) to Traditional Process Design

User experience is different from the traditional assessment and solutioning approaches. While still process-oriented, the customers are the focal point of the evaluation as opposed to the practitioners.

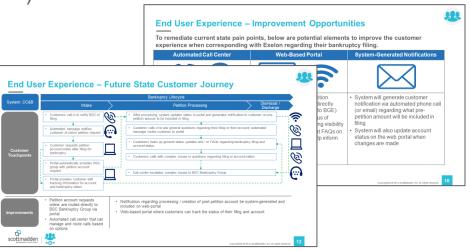
### **Traditional Assessment/Solutioning**

- Volume and process data
- Stakeholder (practitioner/SME) interviews
- Process maps (visualize process)





- User-experience surveys (process focused)
- Customer interviews
- Journey maps (visualize customer actions and pain points)





## **Include Users in Design!**

A well-designed customer journey map, by persona (leaders, employees, etc.), is a great way to understand the user's pain points, actions, and emotions.





## **User Experience Design Key Steps**

### **Define Personas and Collect Information**

### **Construct Journey Maps** by Persona



### **Service Blueprint**

### Planning and research on users is the foundation of rethinking the process.

- Define the key stakeholders, or personas
- Collect data on the process; e.g., case data, customer satisfaction results, and administer process surveys
- Interview 3-5 people per persona

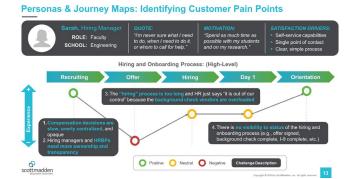


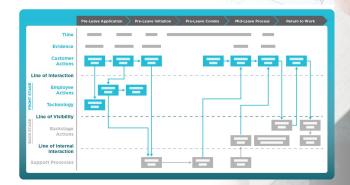
### Journey maps highlight the user experience, pain points, and opportunities for improvement.

- Break the process into high-level steps
- Rate experience at each step
- Call out key pain points

Service blueprints provide an extra level of detail to support a user journey map.

Add detail on customer actions, front stage actions, backstage actions, and support processes





User experience design should be incorporated into the traditional process design approach. Layer the journey maps into future state process maps before finalizing processes



## Personas and Journey Maps: Identifying Customer Pain Points



### Sarah, Employee

LEVEL: Manager OCCUPATION: Sales

**PERSONA:** Unplanned LOA

#### QUOTE:

"The vendor and website are not helpful, so I just call our internal helpdesk regardless of my question."

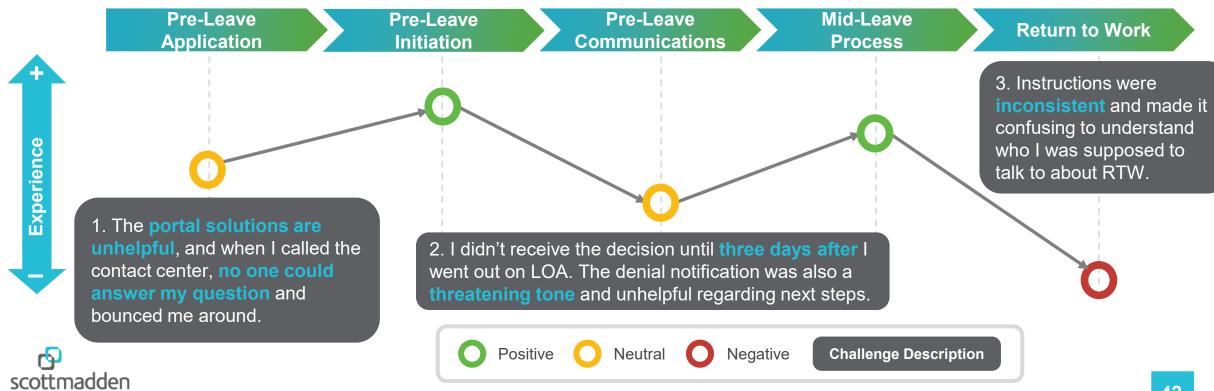
#### **MOTIVATION:**

"To be able to recover without concern over the LOA process and my LOA application status."

#### **SATISFACTION DRIVERS:**

- Self-service capabilities
- Single point of contact
- Clear, simple process

Leave of Absence Process: (High-Level)



## **Service Blueprint: How It Works**

### The key elements in every service blueprint include:

1 Customer Actions

Actions completed by the customer or actions/notifications resulting from other parts of the process (e.g., "Receive LOA decision")

2 Frontstage

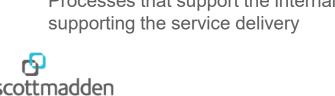
Actions from the customer support or technology interfaces (e.g., direct access) that the customer can see or interact with

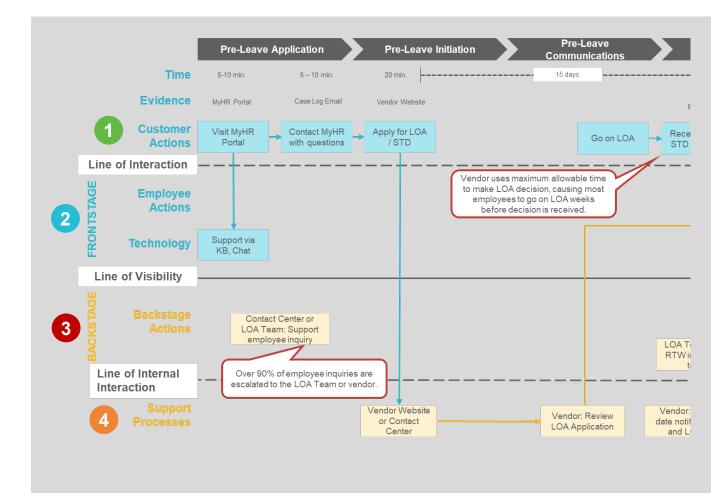
3 Backstage

Actions from customer support, vendors, etc. that are not visible to the customer but support the frontstage activities

4 Support Processes

Processes that support the internal team or vendors in supporting the service delivery





## **User Experience Design Is Worth It**

While including users into process design may seem like more work, it is worth it.



### **Benefits of UX Design**

- Discover pain points and solutions
- Create processes that make sense to all parties involved
- Get to know your customer better
- Establish a perception with your customer that you are working hard to alleviate challenges

Customers <u>appreciate</u> being involved and are often flattered that you chose them. Be respectful of their time and professional and your interaction will be a positive one.



## **Technology and Data**



Discuss Supporting Technologies



**Explore Intelligent Automation** 



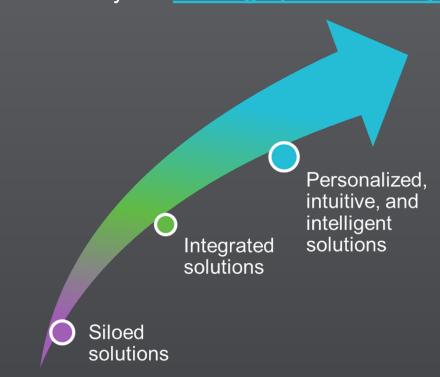
Deep Dive into Data and Analytics



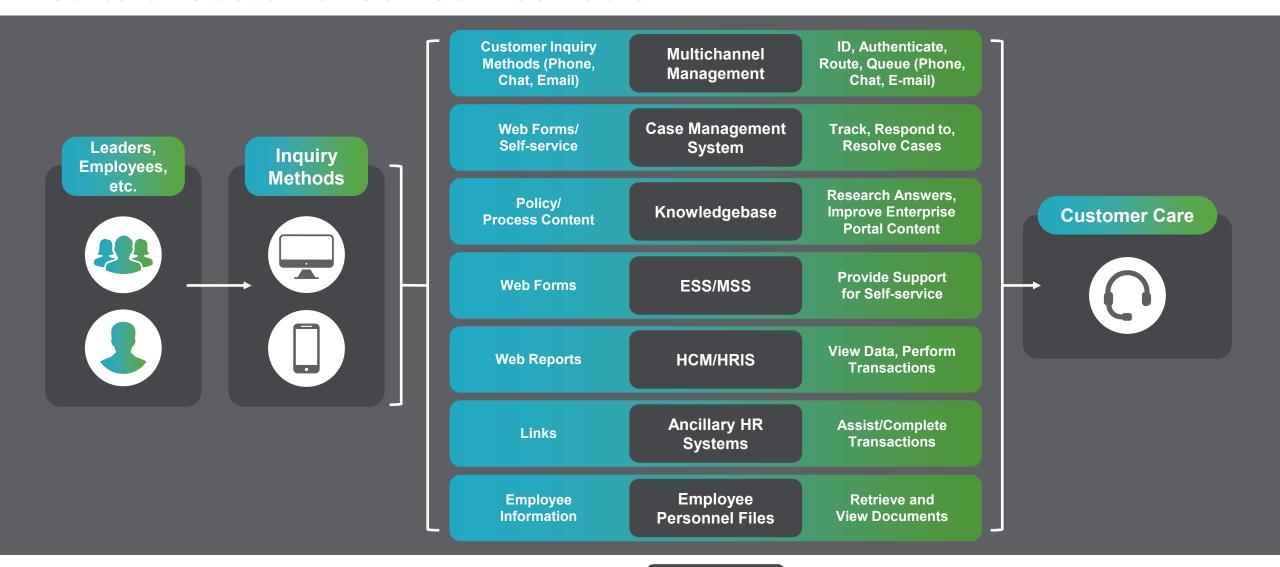
## **Supporting Technologies Maturity Curve**



As organizations invest in solutions, they should ensure they are moving up the maturity curve



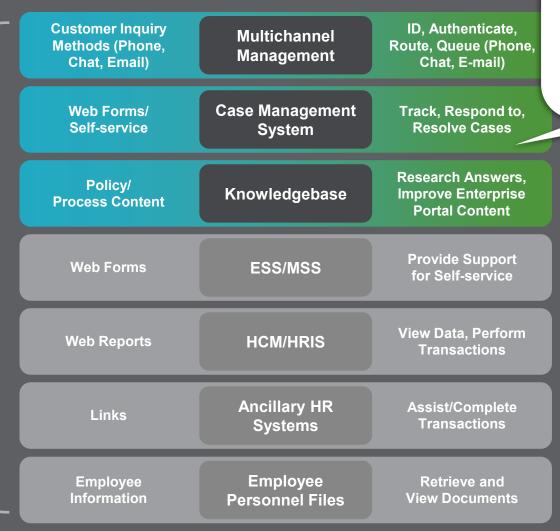
A well-designed and integrated suite of solutions enhances the employe experience, increases efficiency and productivity, and improves communication













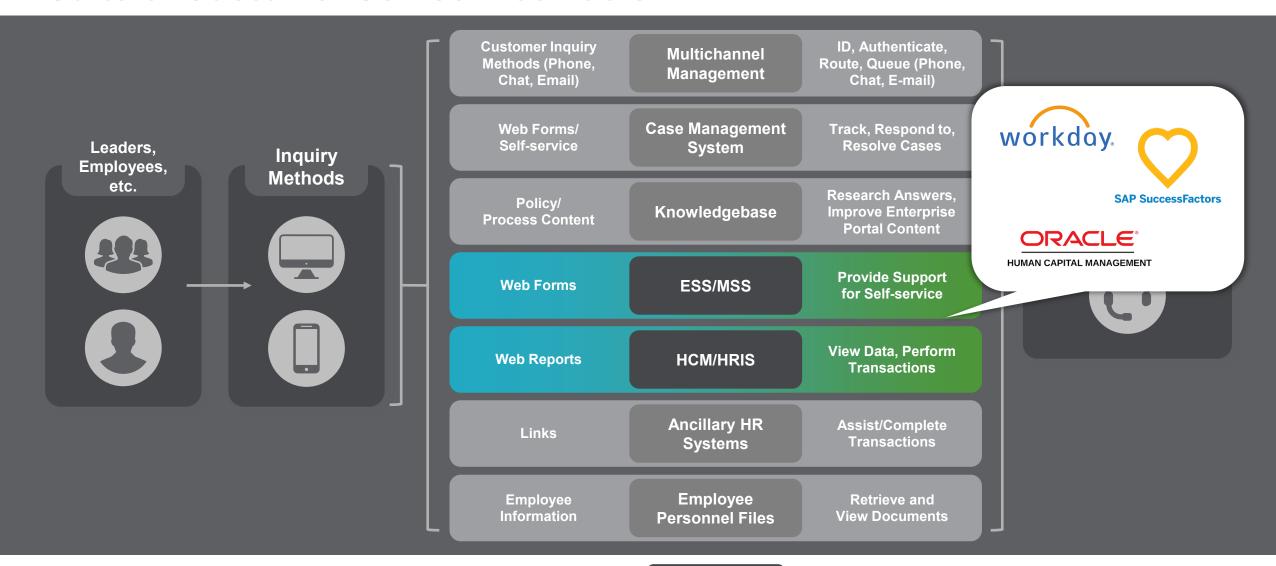


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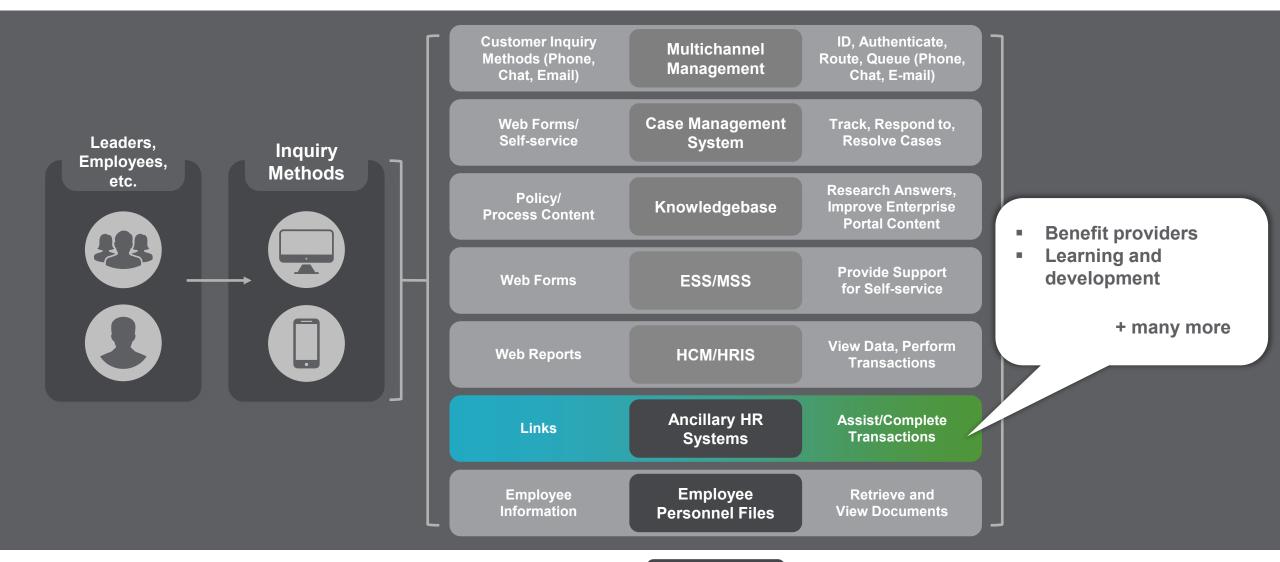
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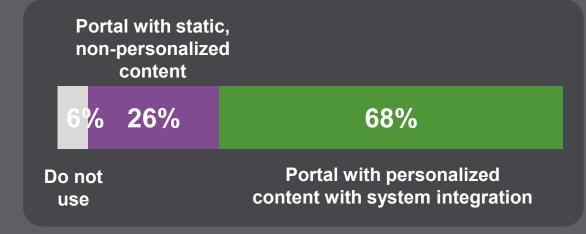




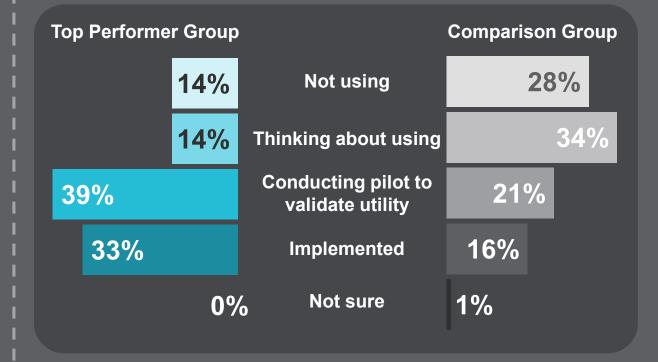


## Level of Technology Advancement in Shared Services

Which best describes your organization's use of an employee portal?



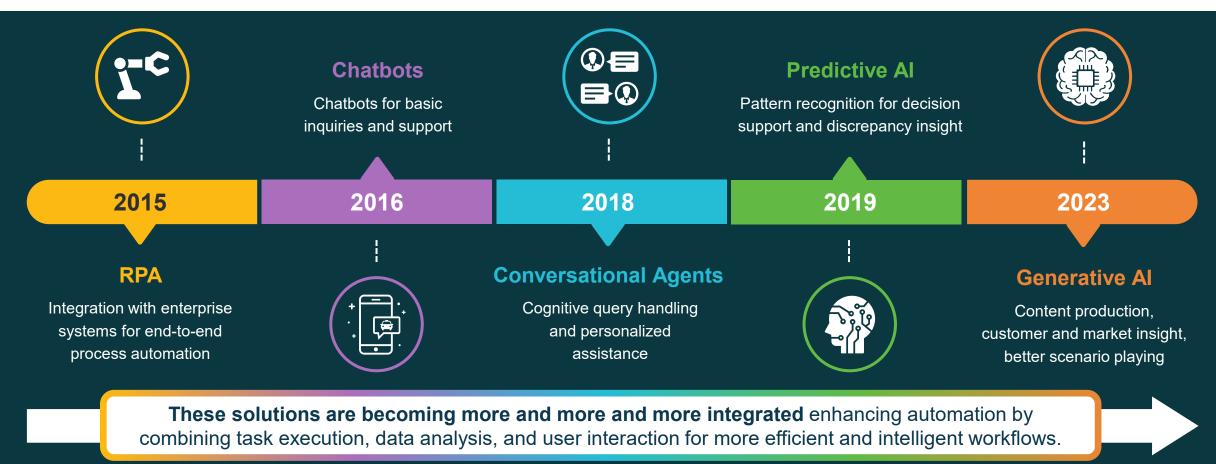
What extent is shared services organization using intelligent automation opportunities?





## Intelligent Automation's (IA) Impact on Organizations over the Years

In recent years, corporate services has witnessed a significant adoption of IA technologies to streamline operations, automate repetitive tasks, and improve customer interactions.



### What Is Different about Generative AI?

Generative Al refers to a type of artificial intelligence that can create new content, such as text, images, audio, and video content, by learning from existing data patterns. It expands Al capabilities to generate realistic and creative outputs.









## What types of use cases are you currently pursuing with Generation AI?





Configuration support and coding









Unstructured data classification and structuring



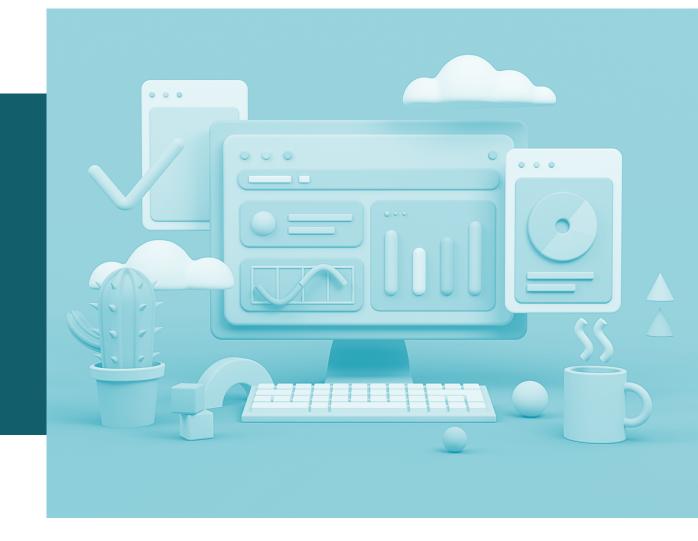


Other



## **Robust Continuous Improvement and Analytics Functions**

Continuous improvement is the backbone of shared services, driving efficiency, elevating service quality, and creating sustained organizational value.





## **Operations Excellence (Continuous Improvement) Team**

### **Operations Excellence team responsibilities include:**

- Supporting the service delivery model by identifying opportunities to enhance service center quality and improving processes and performance
- Assisting with special projects (e.g., enhancing service center technologies, improving processes, developing/delivering educational programs to the broader staff)
- Ensuring delivery quality and consistency across the service center organization

## Focuses on streamlining and optimizing shared services processes

- Execution Excellence
- DocumentationMaintenance

## Maintains the knowledge repository, etc.

- Knowledgebase Management
- Report Management

### **Operations Excellence**

**Process Improvement** 

**Data and Analytics** 

Tools

**Organizational Change Management** 

#### Provides data-driven insights and reporting capabilities to inform strategic decisions and measure performance

- Insight Generation
- Issue Identification
- KPI Monitoring
- Dashboard Development

## Manages the transition and adoption of new processes, systems, or structures

- Service Center Comms to Employees
- Internal Training Activities

## Operations Excellence Team Core Competencies

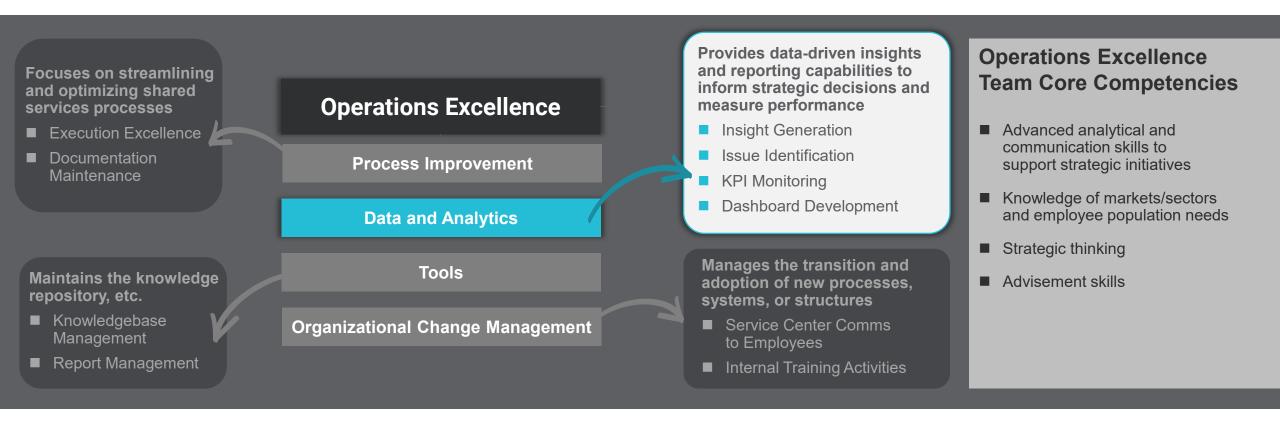
- Advanced analytical and communication skills to support strategic initiatives
- Knowledge of markets/sectors and employee population needs
- Strategic thinking
- Advisement skills



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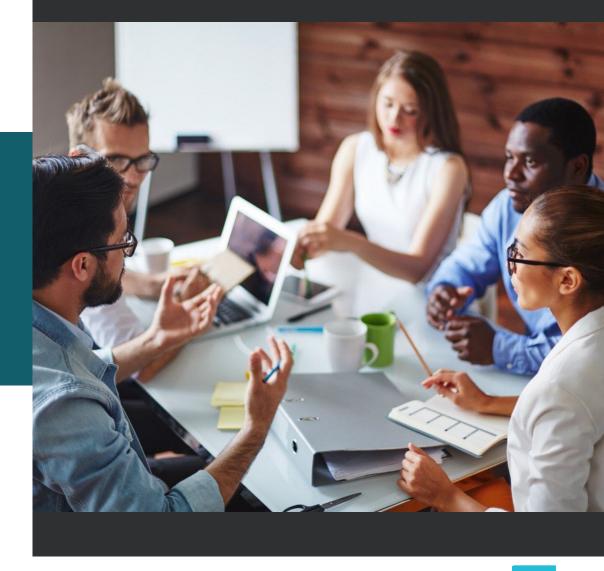
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## **Data and Analytics**

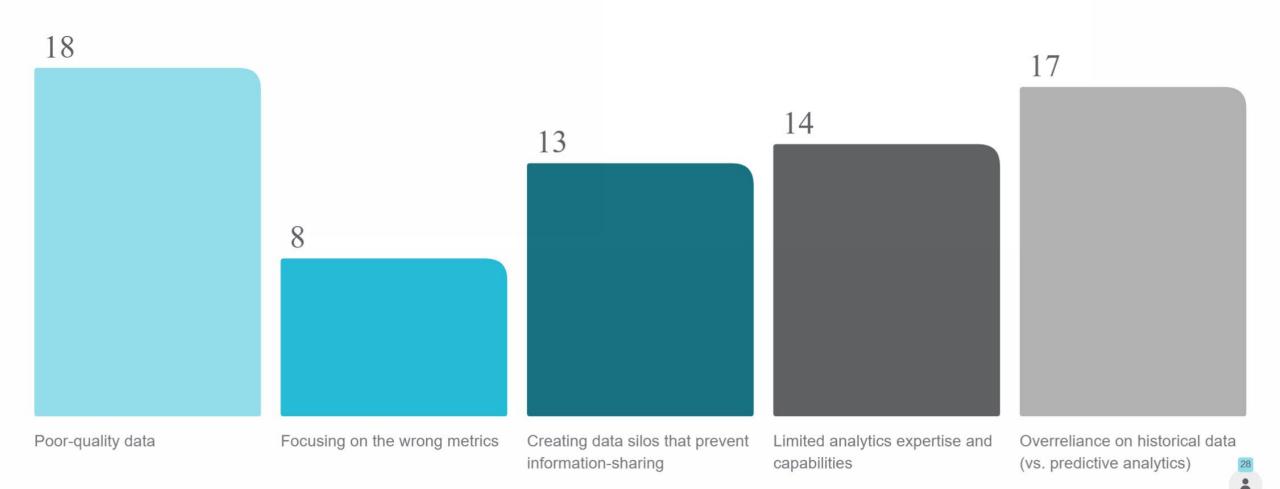
Only 29% of respondents say they are good or very good at making positive changes based on people analytics...







## Does your organization experience any of these challenges?



## **Data and Analytics Functions Are Growing**



The People Analytics Trends 2023 study found that people analytics functions have **grown by 43% on average** between 2020 and 2023, with 90% of companies increasing or maintaining the size of their people analytics teams.



## **Success Factors for Data and Analytics Functions**

## Align Analytics with Business Strategy

### Develop a robust framework

- Connect HR analytics with broader organizational goals
- Establish KPIs that drive measurable impact on business outcomes and demonstrate the value of HR initiatives

## Cultivate a Data-driven Culture

## Foster a culture that prioritizes data-driven decision-making

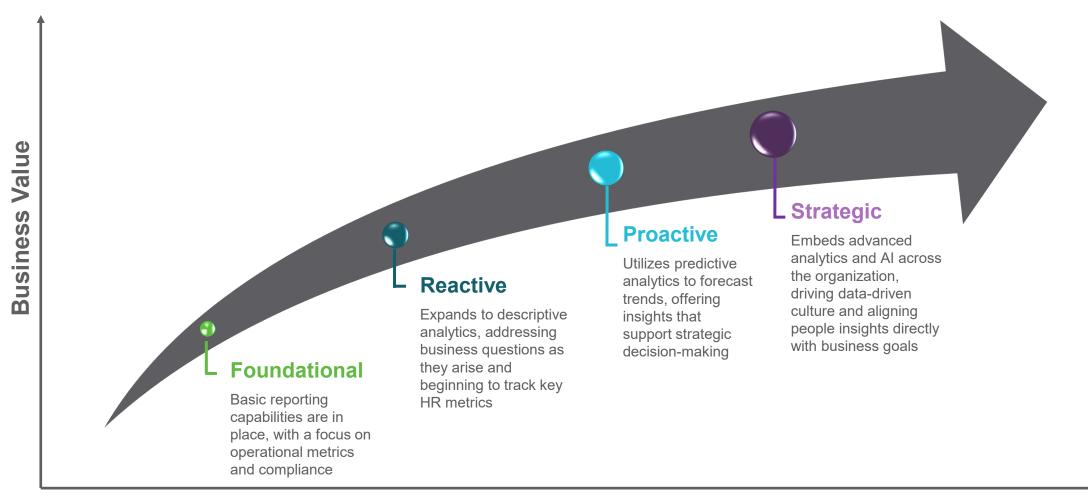
 Encourage HR professionals to leverage analytics in their strategies and daily operations

## **Democratize Access to Reports and Dashboards**

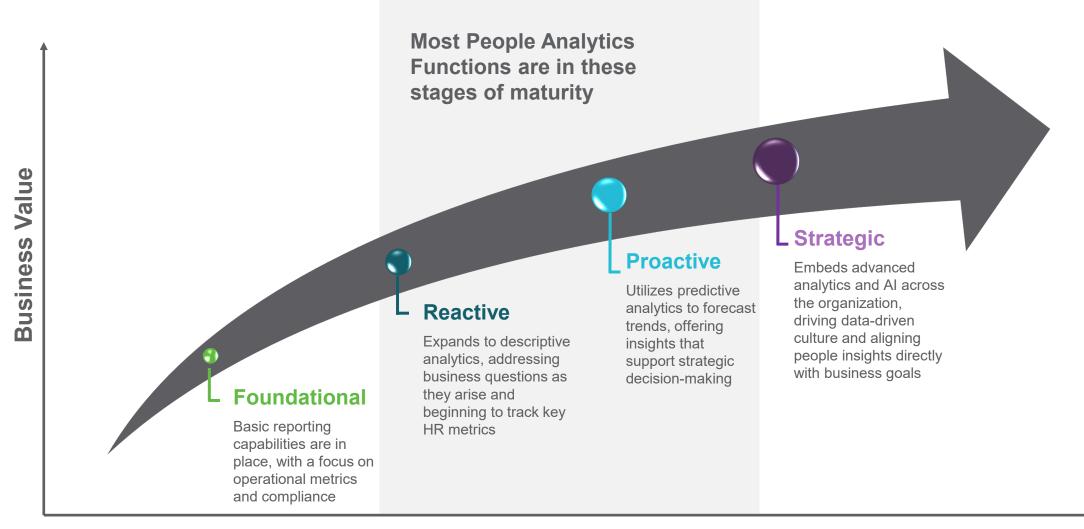
# Implement user-friendly reporting tools and interactive dashboards

- Empower HR staff and leaders to independently access and analyze data
- Promote transparency
- Foster a collaborative environment for data-driven decision-making

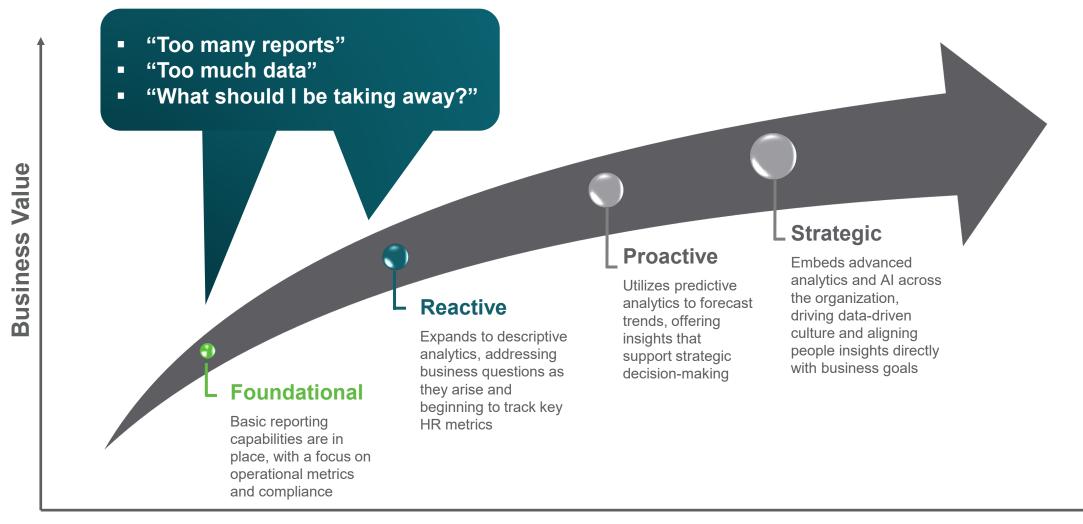




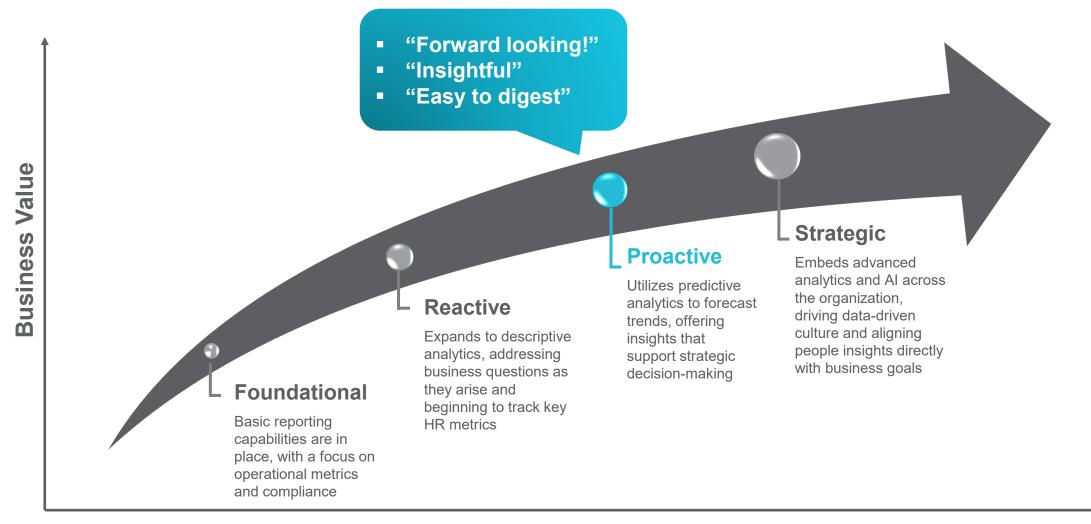




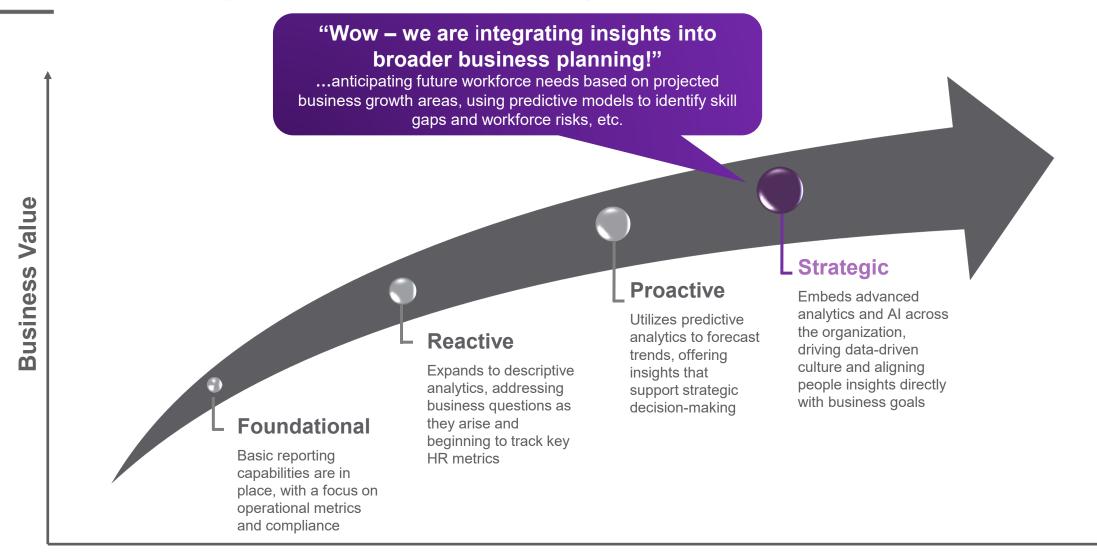














## **Process for Selecting Metrics and Setting Targets**

Information must be gathered when identifying metrics and setting targets.

Gather Stakeholder Input

### **Select Metrics**

## Collect and Review Historical Data

### **Set Targets**

## Assess Results and Improve

- Work performed by the function
- Relevant strategic priorities
- Key audiences for performance discussions

- Relevant metrics:
  - Team and individual productivity
  - Function's impact on the business
  - Etc.

- Analytics available today
- Relevant time periods, seasonality, or trends
- Impacts of external business drivers to the function
- Metrics identified that should have targets and acceptable targets documented
- External benchmarks are assessed for relevance

- Metrics/targets assessed:
  - Represent expected performance?
  - Support business decisions?
  - Meet stakeholder needs?
  - Etc.

Operations Excellence team should work in partnership with the functions throughout the process



## **Metrics Should Address Multiple Objectives**

Leaders should select multiple, comprehensive metrics. Every metric does not need a target.

## Productivity and Efficiency

- Volumes of activities or tickets processed
- Volumes per period, per FTE, per cost/revenue
- Process cycle times or aging

## Quality and Reliability

- Success rates of meeting service level agreements or other goals
- Customer satisfaction results or other qualitative results
- Error rates (per 1,000 transactions, etc.)

#### **Service Value**

- Impacts to employees, user experience, or downstream internal business partners
- Revenue increase, cost reduction, or cost avoidance

### **Strategic Initiatives**

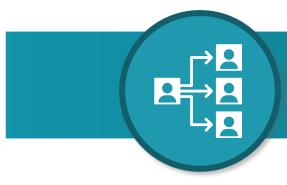
- Direct impacts to strategic initiatives, e.g., revenue-enhancing RPA/AI
- Other leadership priorities

Performance against targets should inform leaders how well the function is performing



## Metrics and Dashboards Should Be Segmented by Audience

Avoid a one-size-fits-all approach—different audiences have different needs that should be addressed by different sets of metrics and dashboards.







#### **OPERATIONAL**

### **Day-to-day performance metrics**

Enable teams to work efficiently, leveraging indicators

 Examples: Task completion rates, error rates, response times, etc.

#### MANAGEMENT

### **Subset of operational data**

Provide visibility into performance and emerging trends

Examples: Summary view of operational metrics

### **EXECUTIVE**

### Strategic, high-level metrics

Enable leaders to assess shared services' contribution to overall organizational goals

 Examples: Cost savings, strategic impact, and service level achievements

Segmenting metrics allows empowered functional decision-making while elevating the pulse of the business to leadership



## **Dashboard Design Principles**

Users have a great experience viewing dashboards, when the dashboards include the following attributes:







INTERACTIVE

### **RELEVANT**

- Clean and uncluttered
- Calculations defined and labels concise
- Visualizations highlight "key takeaways" (e.g., graphs, tables, icons)

- Dashboards tailored by audience
- Metrics align with strategic
   objectives and operational goals
- Context provided on benchmarks, targets, etc.

- Drill-down capabilities enable investigation
- Simple narratives provide context, explanations, and/or recommendations
- Interactivity balanced with simplicity



Illustrative metrics that could shape an executive-level, on-demand dashboard.

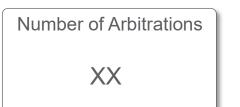




### **Executive Summary and Key Highlights**



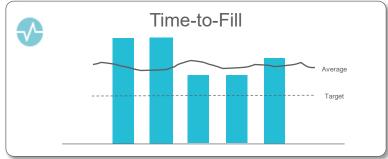




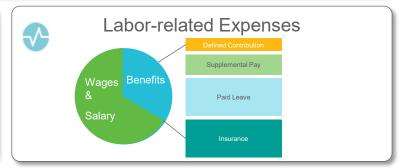


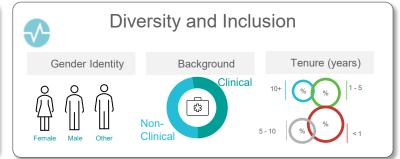
Turnover













Illustrative metrics that could shape an executive-level, on-demand dashboard.

Easy for executives to see key takeaways





### **Executive Summary and Key Highlights**





Number of Arbitrations

XX















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## What's Next? ... Here's Five Things to Do

Revamp your shared services strategy. Is there an opportunity in this climate to leverage your shared services operations as a catalyst for scale?





2. Focus on innovations to shared services that enable efficiency, agility, and scale – all while maintaining or improving customer service.





Consider ScottMadden and our SSO Accelerator tool for an assessment that will generate recommendations to boost the value of your shared services organization.



4. Create an inclusion strategy that builds a strong corporate culture and improves employee engagement.



## **Wrapping Up**

### **HOUSEKEEPING ITEMS**

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