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### Managers Forum

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AVP, Organizational Development and Effectiveness



### Welcome and Announcements

#### **Mary Opperman**

Vice President and Chief Human Resources Officer

#### Required Training Responsibility@Cornell

- All Cornell faculty, staff and student employees
- New York state annual sexual harassment employee training requirement
- 45-minutes, online
- Deadline for employees is November 16
- Automated reminders to employees; HR leads will receive regular reports

# Ongoing Training Diversity Equity and Inclusion at Cornell

- Course 1 launched in September
- Course 2 will launch in October
- Additional courses released throughout the year
- 45-90 minutes a piece, online
- Required for all staff
- Community Chats for first course are now available

#### Recognition and Appreciation Voluntary Retirement Incentive

- 213 faculty and staff retirees
- More than 5,800 years of service combined
- Most retired as of Sept. 16
- Talent Tribute Sept. 14
   <u>hr.cornell.edu/talent-tribute</u>



### **Remote Work During COVID**

#### Linda Croll Howell

Senior Director, Employee Experience

#### Supervisor Remote Work Survey Results

- Survey open July 16 to July 31, 2020.
  - Survey opened for 2 weeks with a **69.6% response rate**.
  - Survey not sent to bargaining unit employees, with the exception of the ILR NYC group.
- About 94% of supervisors reported their team performed majority or all work **onsite** before COVID (64% all onsite).
- As of the time of the survey, about **85%** had employees working **remotely** at least part of the time (72% completely remote).

#### Supervisor Remote Work Survey Results

- About 92% of supervisors reported conducting as many, if not more team meetings than they did pre-COVID (with 45% reporting more).
- Also, about 82% of supervisors reported conducting one-on-one meetings with their team members as often or more.
- In terms of team **productivity**, **63%** of supervisors report their team is delivering as much or more than they were producing pre-COVID.

### COVID-19 Staff Survey Findings: Top 5 Remote Worker Challenges

Juggling work and children	56%
Adequate homework space/equipment	42%
Juggling work and other caregiving responsibilities	40%
Reliable internet access	39%

#### Interest in Remote Work Post-COVID

Not interested in working remotely at all	5%
Interested in working remotely occasionally	12%
Interested in working remotely 1 to 2 days a week	26%
Interested in predominantly working remotely (3 or more days a week)	54%
Other (please specify):	3%

### Supporting Your Employees

- Provide flexibility, where possible
- Home workspace
  - Best times for meetings (if sharing workspace), flexible work times
  - Home workspace best <u>practices</u>/ergonomic <u>consults</u> available
  - CIT Options for Poor WiFi or Cellular Service
- Encourage employees to take time off and model the behavior
- Share/encourage using resources like the <u>Faculty & Staff Assistance</u> <u>Program</u>, the <u>Cornell Wellness Program</u>, <u>Work/Life Consultant</u>.

### Supporting You



- Manager Chats. Informal, facilitated chats with managers across the university. Ask questions, network, share tools and strategies.
- The Faculty & Staff Assistance Program, the Cornell Wellness Program, Work/Life Consultant. Encourage employees to take time off and model the behavior.
- Working remotely <u>tip sheets</u>
- Managing Remote Teams Guide for Managers

#### Resources for Managers – Coming Soon

- Guidelines for Working Remotely During COVID-19
- Workplace Flexibility at Cornell During COVID (video)
- Team working on Acclimation for New Remote Hires



### Fall 2020 Course Offerings

#### Kathy Burkgren

AVP, Organizational Development & Effectiveness

- Leading in these Times 3 course track
- Building Trust 2 course track
- Communications 4 course track
- Emotional Intelligence 7 course track
- Employee Engagement 1 course
- Leader as Coach remote offering over 4 half days
- Advancing Diversity Equity Inclusion Community Chats
- Manager Chats

#### Leading in these Times

As a leader, it is vital to understand the ever-changing landscape of where and how we work. In this series, managers will explore relationships, strategies for effective communications, coaching for performance and development, and how to tap into employee strengths and passions.

#### **Objectives:**

- Understand the changing landscape of where and how we work
- Learn how to build connections, norms, and culture across the team
- Establish trust within your team
- Understand the importance of recognizing, utilizing, developing and moving talent at Cornell

Course 1: The Changing Landscape of Work Course 2: Building Connections Course 3: Recognizing, Developing and Moving Talent at Cornell

#### **Building Trust**

As a leader, it is your responsibility to establish trust and motivate the team to create an environment that encourages collaboration and partnership between colleagues. As a member of the team, what are you doing to foster an environment where trust is co-created? In this program, we will explore:

- How to establish trust within onsite, hybrid and remote work-groups
- What actions in work lead to trust and which disrupt trust
- How teams with high levels of trust can support employee engagement and a sense of belonging

Course 1: Establishing and Maintaining Trust in Work-groups Course 2: The Value of Trust for Creating and Maintaining Belonging

#### **Communications**

As a result of this series of communicating in remote, onsite, and hybrid work environments, you will learn:

- Effective techniques for facilitating business meetings
- The importance of listening and techniques for effective listening
- Cornell's expectations on giving and receiving feedback and strategies to do that well
- How to approach and manage difficult conversations

Course 1: Managing and Facilitating Meetings Course 2: Effective Listening Course 3: Giving and Receiving Effective Feedback Course 4: Difficult Conversations

#### **Emotional Intelligence**

**Objectives:** 

- Understand what emotional intelligence is, how it works, and how we talk about it
- Explore emotions and their roles in our daily lives at work and beyond
- Evaluate the importance of emotional intelligence in navigating current events
- Develop a toolkit to help navigate interpersonal relationships, and decision making
- Utilize tools to help manage stress and maintain personal wellbeing

Course 1: Intro to Emotional Intelligence Course 2: Self-Perception - Self-Regard, Self-Actualization Course 3: Self-Expression – Emotional Expression, Assertiveness, Independence Course 4: Interpersonal – Interpersonal Relationships, Empathy, Social Responsibility Course 5: Decision Making – Problem Solving, Reality Testing, Impulse Control Course 6: Stress Management – Flexibility, Stress Tolerance, Optimism Course 7: Pulling it all Together!

#### **Employee Engagement**

Objectives:

- Understand what employee engagement is and isn't
- Learn the 3 types of employees and how to locate yourself among them
- Develop strategies to remain committed to workplace mission and vision while maintaining and enhancing your own wellbeing
- Explore the pillars of intrinsic motivation and how to work with your organization to ask for what you need
- Develop strategies for cultivating a collaborative and empowering environment that fosters pride, creativity, and commitment amongst our employees.

Leader as Coach

Objectives:

- Learn the principles of coaching
- Understand the importance of supervisor as coach
- Utilize a coaching model to help individuals discover their personal and professional potential
- Leverage mindful-based coaching strategies as a leader
- Develop relationship and establish trust
- Explore personal biases, cultural influences, and learn to consciously coach across differences

#### Manager Chats

Informal opportunities for managers to connect on various topics.

**Objectives:** 

- Develop connections
- A safe space to share information
  - What's going well
  - Challenges
  - Strategies
  - Best practices
- Build relationships

#### **Zoom channel**

Instruction on how to join the Zoom channel can be found at: <u>https://hr.cornell.edu/manager-tools/managers-zoom</u>

#### Advancing Diversity Equity Inclusion Community Chats

#### Cultivating Cornell's Inclusive Working Environment

In this session, employees will deepen their understanding of the importance of creating and cultivating an inclusive working environment, as modeled in Cornell's Mission Statement, Skills for Success, Leadership Skills for Success, and Core values.

- October 5, 1:00-2:15
- October 7, 10:00-11:15
- October 13, 10-11:15
- October 15, 1:00-2:15



Daily Check & Surveillance Testing Updates

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Senior Director of Strategic Projects

#### **Allan Bishop**

AVP for Human Resources

#### Daily Check & Surveillance Testing **Reminders**

- All employees are required to complete the Daily Check assessment each day they are coming to campus (or other facility). There are no exceptions granted for:
  - Infrequent trips to campus (i.e.,1 time per month, etc.)
  - Brief visits (i.e., less than 1 hour)
  - The time of day or night (i.e., 2:00 am, 6:30 am, 1:00 pm, 10:00 pm)
- Contact HR Representative to change work location and testing frequency.
- Employees are expected to be respectful of testing site staff and students.

# Daily Check & Surveillance Testing Update to Notifications

• Notification banners will appear if a student or employee misses a test or does not schedule promptly.

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Our records show you still have not completed your required surveillance test. You MUST complete your test today. If not scheduled to work today then you must complete your test on your next scheduled work day. Repeated failures to adhere to the testing schedule are in violation of the employee expectations and may impact your access to campus. We need your cooperation to keep everyone safe. <u>Schedule your test</u>. If you have already been tested today, please disregard this banner.

#### Daily Check & Surveillance Testing Update for Approved Absences

- Register approved absence (i.e. vacation, illness, etc.) lasting 1-2 weeks through Daily Check
- Daily Check and surveillance testing notifications will be turned off.
- After return to work, frequency will be reassigned.
- Employee may need to adjust testing day(s) of week.

#### Daily Check & Surveillance Testing Non-compliance and Corrective Action

- If no pattern and employee immediately acts to comply
- If employee doesn't comply or has repeated occurrences
  - Discussion, education, action
- If employees still does not comply
  - Hap/Vacation or unpaid leave
  - Disciplinary action and/or loss of privileges

#### Daily Check & Surveillance Testing Information and Resources

- Working During COVID-19 Guide
   <u>hr.cornell.edu/working-during-covid-19</u>
- Daily Check

dailycheck.cornell.edu

Surveillance Testing

covid.cornell.edu/testing/surveillance



## **Thank You** for all you're doing to help us through these challenging times.

