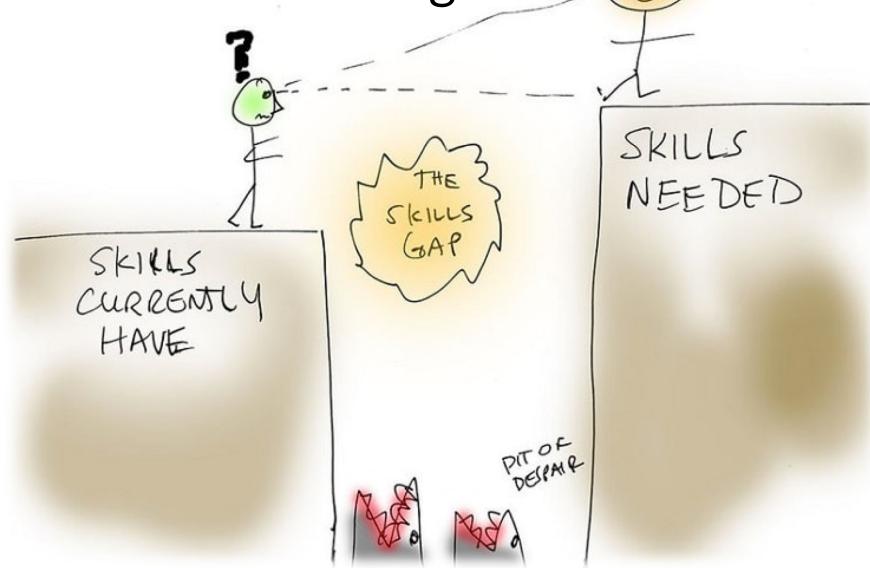
Taking the Confusion Out of Competency-Based Career Pathing





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# Definitions

- 1. Career Pathing
- 2. Competencies
- 3. Career Development

## **Career Pathing**

Sequence of jobs along which one may be promoted within an organization as an individual progresses in one's career.



# Competencies

A cluster of related knowledge, skills and abilities that enable a person to be effective in a job or situation.



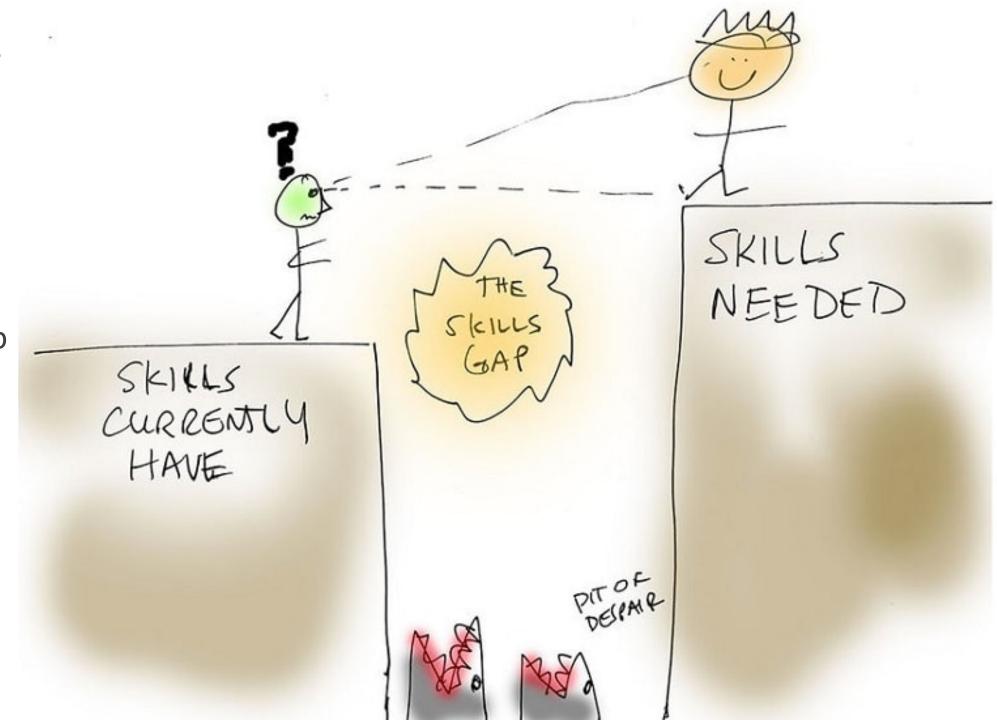


# Career Development

The lifelong process of managing your or your employee's work experience within or between organizations.

# We Have A Global Crisis

"Unemployment's up, but I still can't find the workers I need! Sound familiar? It's the skills gap—the gap between what employers need and what job seekers are offering."\*



\*Source: U.S. Department of Labor Photo Credit: Ed Tech Review

Employees are not able to develop the skills and experiences required for future job roles due to a lack of transparency and visibility into employer skill expectations.



# The Competency Advantage For Organizations

- 1. Establishes a common global language for companies and employees.
- 2. Emphasize long-term organizational fit as opposed to a shorter-term job match.
- 3. Promote the desired culture of an organization.





What does this have to do with Career Pathing?

#### The Modern Approach to Building a Skills Economy

What the Employer Needs

**Definition of the Job** 



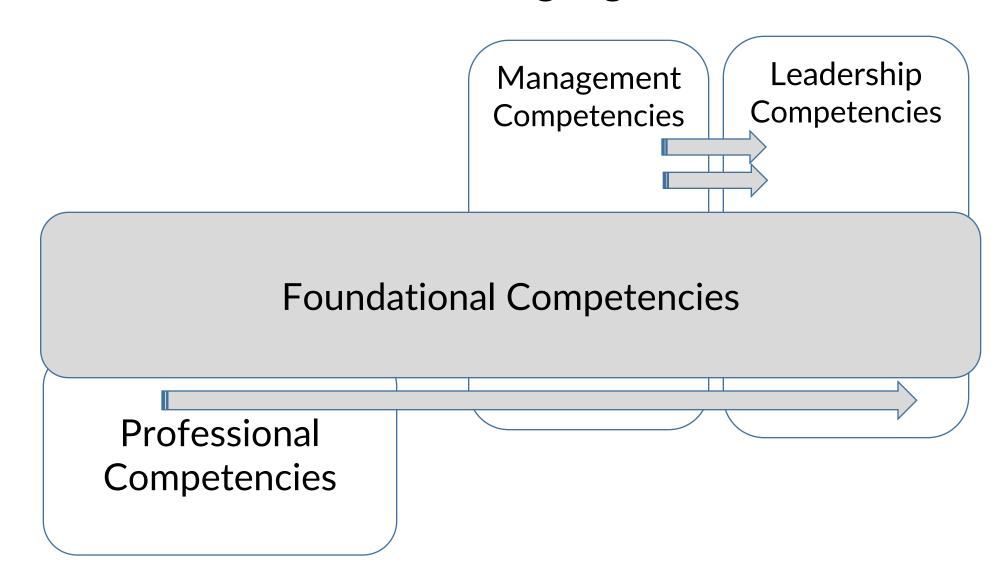
Universal Skill-Based Job Descriptions



**Verification of Skills** 

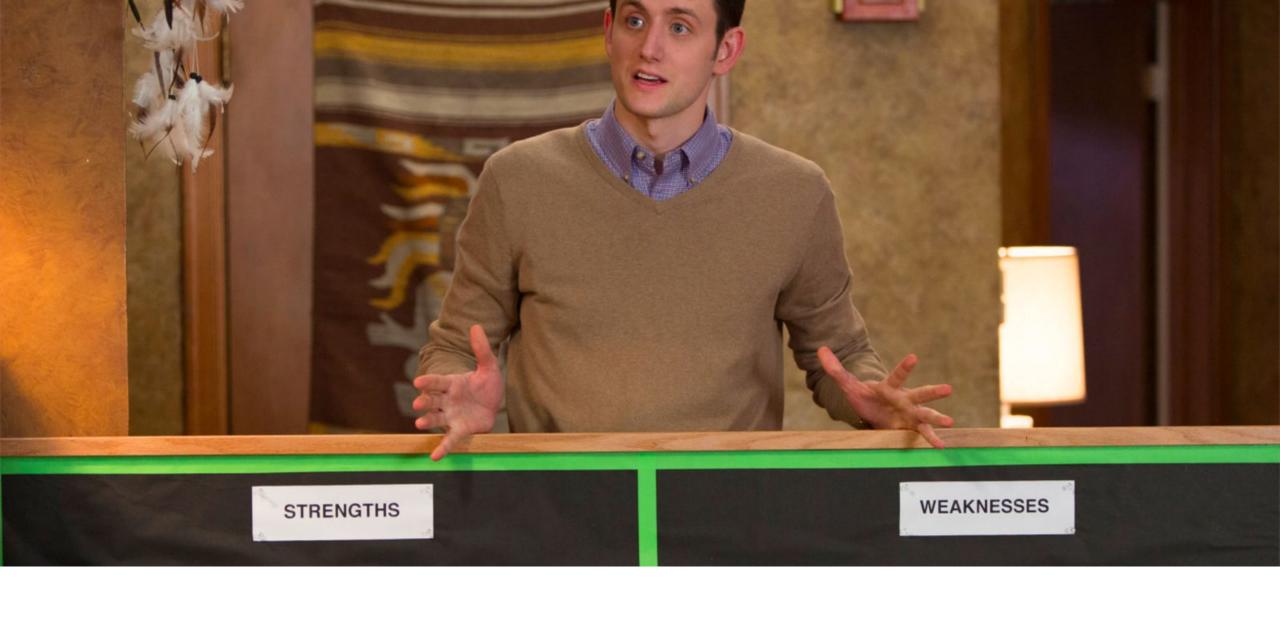
What the Candidate/Employee Has

# You cannot travel along the career path if you don't have a common language!



# 10 Best Practices in Competency Modeling

- Use job analysis methods to develop competencies
- Link competency models to organizational goals and objectives
- Consider future-oriented job requirements
- Use competency libraries
- Use organizational language. Simplicity will enhance memorableness
- Include both fundamental (cross-job) and technical (job-specific)
- Achieve proper level of granularity (number of competencies and amount of detail)
- Define levels of proficiency on competencies
- Use competencies to align talent programs (Selection, Performance management, training & development, succession planning, reward & recognition)
- Use organizational development techniques to ensure competency modeling acceptance and use



Career Pathing... Is there a Business Case for it?

# There is a statistically <u>strong</u> relationship between Career Development Planning and employee Intention to Leave...

...regardless of gender, age, level of education, ethnicity, time in current organization, time in field, and time in current position.



# 79%

of employees leave due to a lack of career development



Career Pathing builds Loyalty..... When Done Correctly

#### Career Ladder vs. Career Lattice



- Traditional, hierarchical structure
- Top-down authority; limited information access
- Linear, vertical career paths
- · Work is a place you go to
- Separation of career and life

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- Flatter, often matrix structure
- Distributed authority; broad information access
- Multi directional career paths
- · Work is what you do
- · Integration of career and life

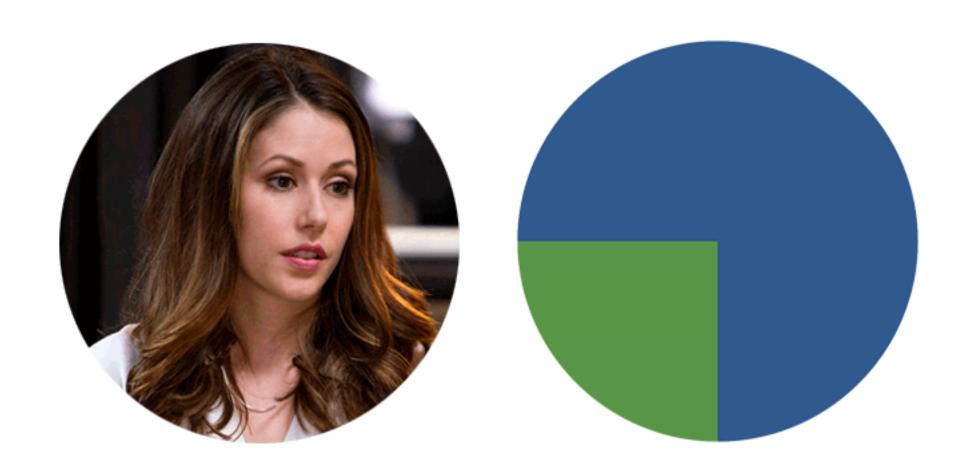
.....and loyalty increases productivity



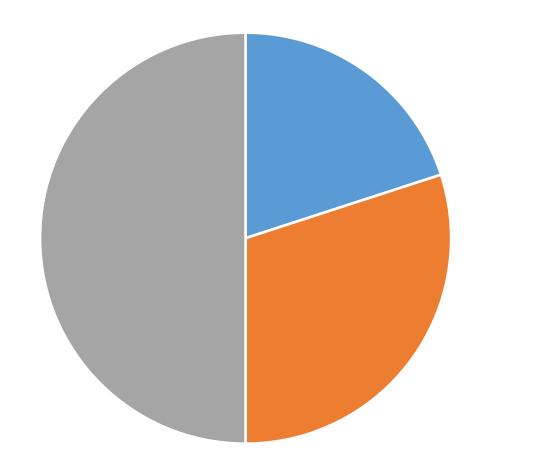
Gallup estimates that actively disengaged employees cost the

U.S. \$450 billion to \$550 billion in lost productivity per year.

**81%** of employees feel their skill aren't being fully utilized at work



30% of employees are satisfied with the future career opportunities at their organizations





Career Pathing doesn't only serve the need to attract and retain talent. It can be the engine that fills the organization's pipeline to ensure a supply of **future leaders**.





# 25%

of organizations have a ready and willing successor identified for one out of 10 critical leader positions

# Yet.. only 17%

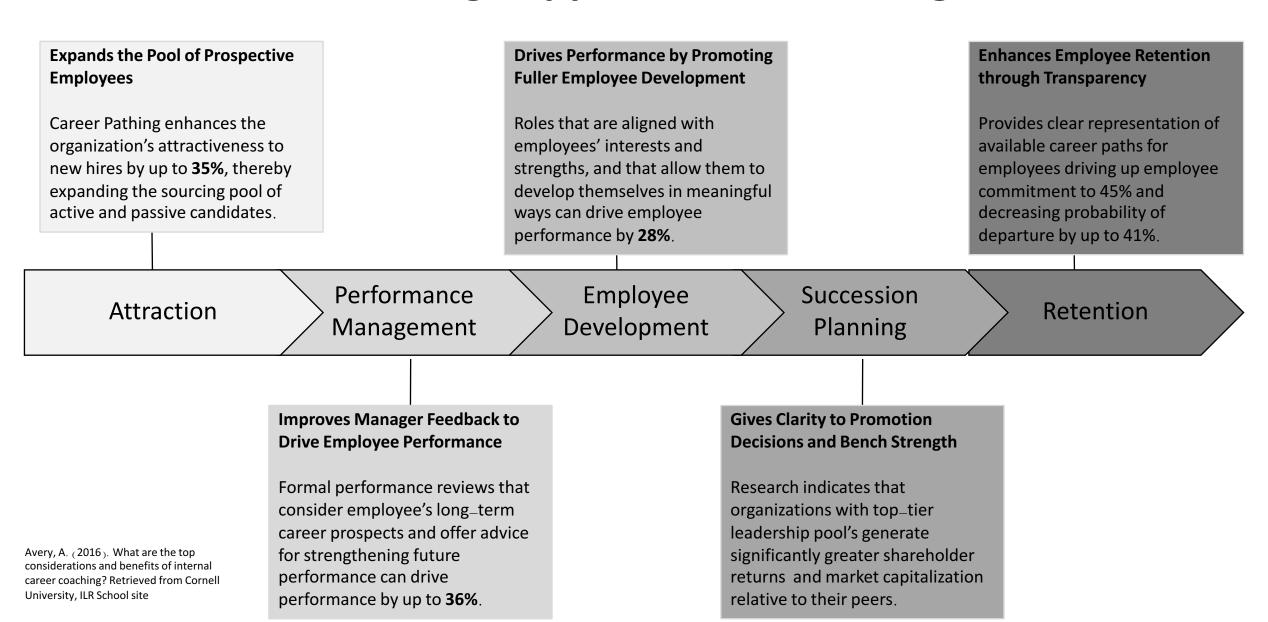
of companies have formalized career paths for the majority of employees.

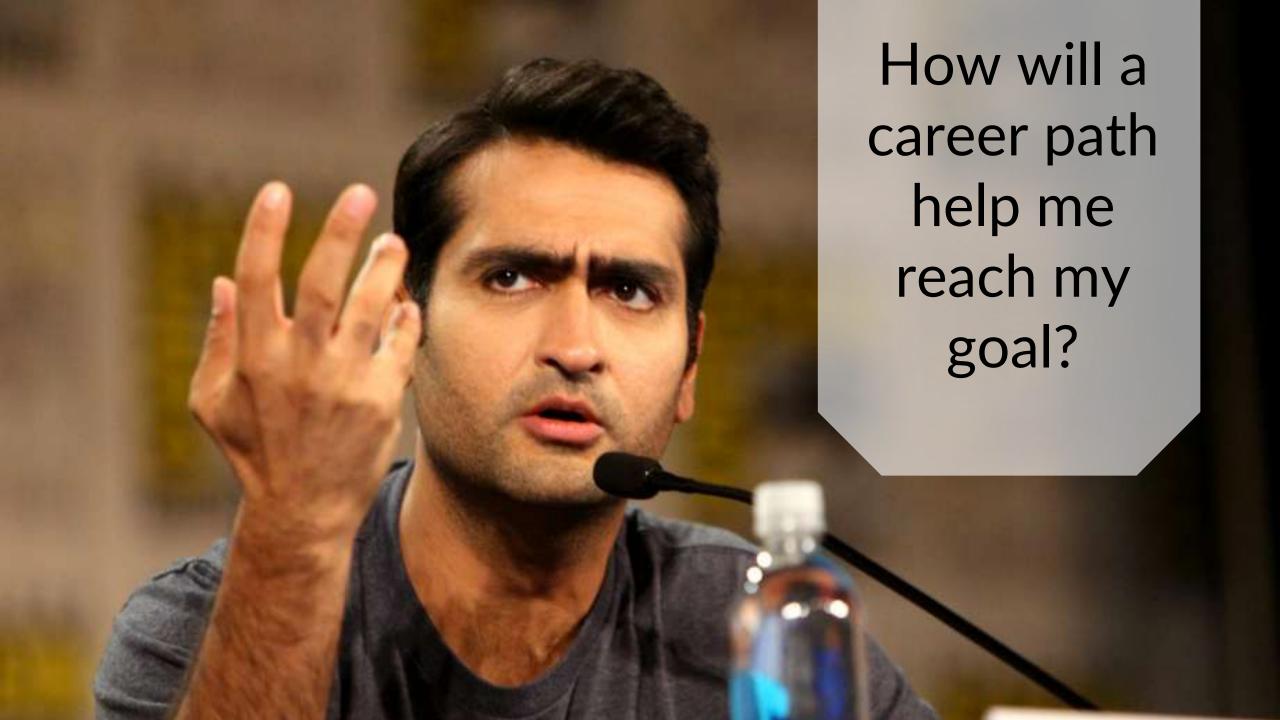
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less than half of those companies effectively use technology to deliver career programs.



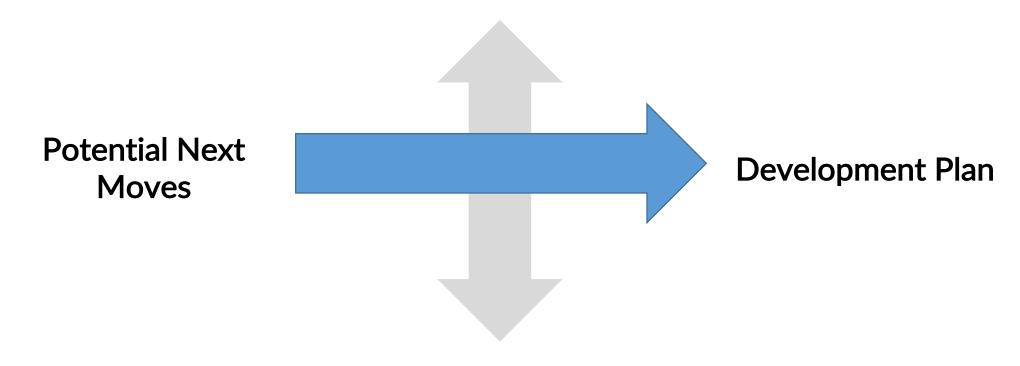
#### **Career Pathing Supports Talent Management**





### Information Gained Through a Career Path

Personal Competency
/ Skill Strengths



Personal Competency
/ Skill Gaps

What role does my manager play in my career development?



Organizational Role	Manager Role	Employee Role
<ul> <li>Define job roles in a consistent manner across the entire company.</li> <li>Seek input on what individuals needs</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Learn each team member's career aspirations by having regular, ongoing, high-value career conversations with each employee.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Provide input and validation on level of skills.</li> <li>Initiate feedback.</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Open communication, and awareness of career opportunities, in different functions / units of the organization</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Clearly articulate expectations at different levels.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Communicate career aspirations openly.</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Provide flexible career paths for individuals to move up/down/sideways.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Facilitate and guide the employee in his/her search for learning opportunities to fill skill gaps.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Make conscious career decisions in relation to balancing work-life and career stage.</li> </ul>

## The best organizations ask,

"How can we harness employee skills, interests and passions to create greater value for the firm?"

## The best managers ask,

"What are your career goals and how can I help you achieve them?"

## The best employees ask,

"What can I do to add greater value for the firm while achieving my career goal?"

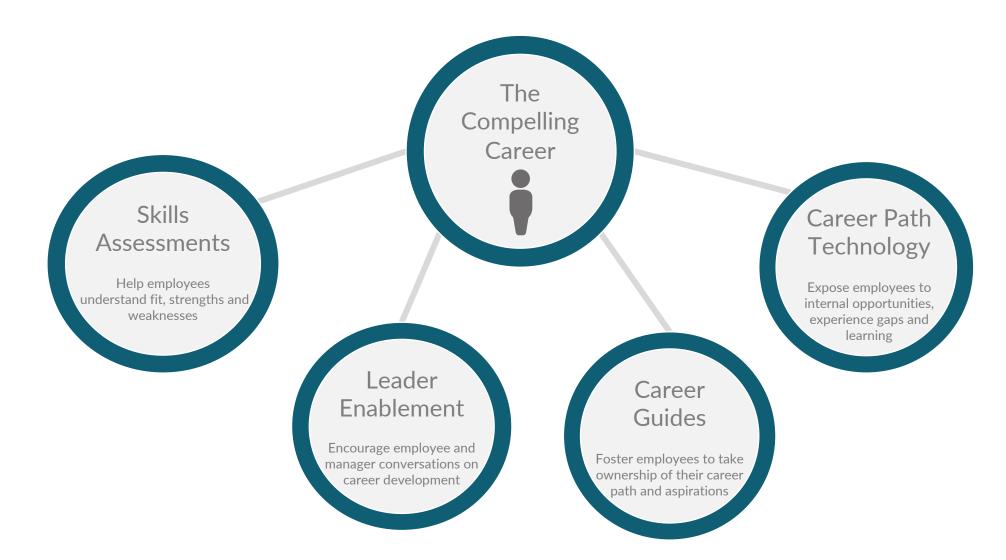
#### The Value of Creating a Compelling Career Model

"Eliminating an internal skills shortage generates and additional 5% to 8% annual increase in revenue and profit."\*



"Improved career satisfaction generates and additional 2% to 3% increase in revenue and profit by increasing engagement."\*

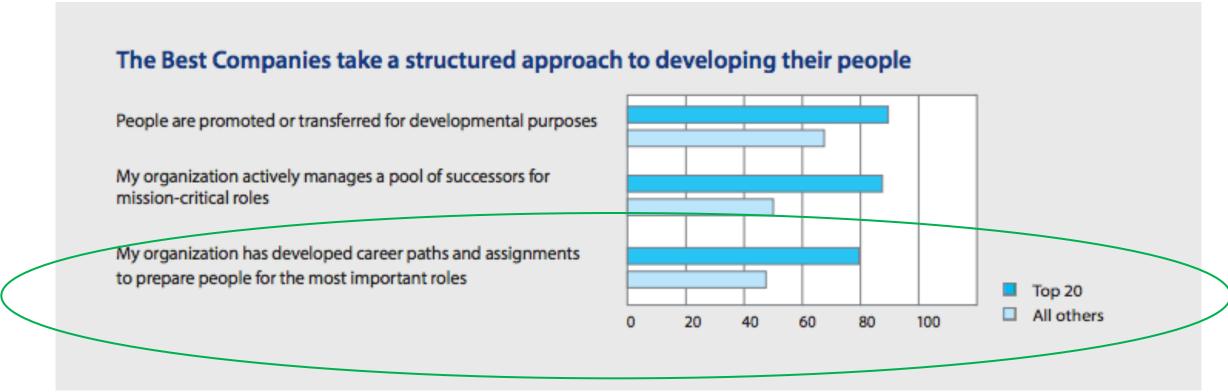
### How Do We Close the Skills Gap?





Are there companies that have done career pathing well?

How?



Source: Haygroup

The 20 Best Companies for Leadership include: Procter & Gamble, GE, Coca\_Cola, IBM, Unilever. Intel, McDonald's, Samsung, 3M, HP, PepsiCo, Toyota, Accenture, Siemens, Telefonica, BASF, Johnson & Johnson, Citigroup, Ikea, Pfizer

#### I am with Sprint



Online Career Management Tool: includes a strategic roadmap for employees to follow along with assessments and activities that support career planning, including a career initiative assessment, mentoring, networking, talent sort and twenty-year journey activities.

Career Series Webcast: The "It's All About You" career series is a six-part career development webcast. It follows the Career Management Toolkit strategic roadmap. In addition to the live webcast, the sessions are also available for replay via SprintCast, Sprint's internal webcasting tool. Currently, it is one of the most watched webcasts with over 4,500 employee viewings.

# Built for GM Employees, By GM Employees

Career Development and Advancement Group is a social collaboration forum within GM's internal network GM Overdrive. The team members follow trending career questions and topics and fine-tune career resources.

My GM Bucket List: is a one page resource that employees use to list 25 things they want to accomplish at GM.

Leaders in Cars: Series of Video Clips developed for people leaders highlighting simple ways to engage employees with their career development



# Once you go to Rackspace, you never go Backspace

Technical Career Track (TCT) Program gives top-talent the opportunity to rise to executive-level leadership positions within the company, without having to manage people or give up their technical work. To be eligible for the TCT program, technical people need to have advanced through the typical career pathway in their area of expertise.

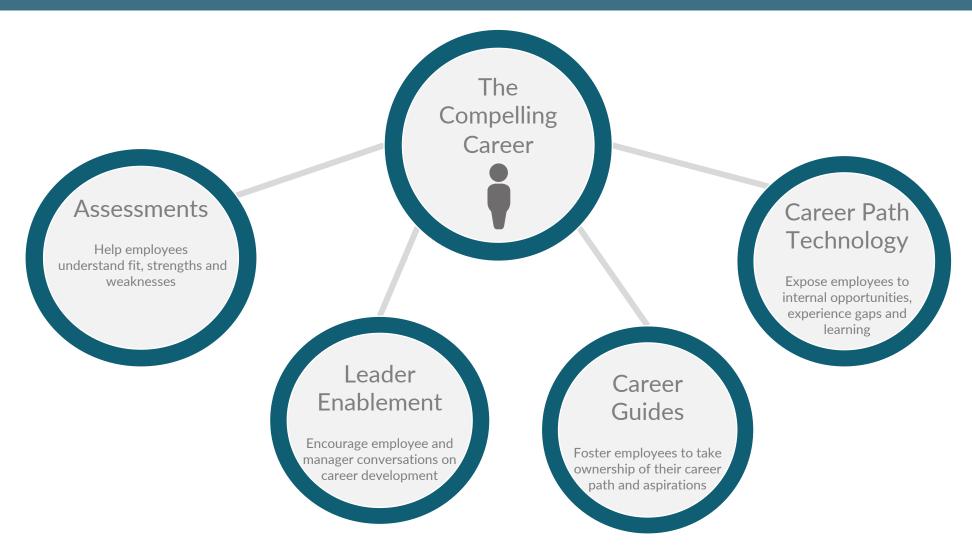


"We always thought that creating a technical career path was important, but it has had an unexpectedly large effect on the business as a whole, on our recruiting, retention, and our ability to execute."

Van Lindburg (VP, TCT program)

# TalentGuard Closes the Skills Gap

by Unifying the Entire Career Pathing Experience.



Automation. Collaboration. Intuitive Experience. Simple.

#### Relevant Tactics to Enable Successful Career Pathing

# ROADMAPS FOR SUCCESS

Create an employee
"Roadmap for
Results," a template
that details timelines,
rationale, and steps
for completing career
and performance
measures

# DISCUSSION FRAMEWORKS

Provide a discussion template to help employees organize their thoughts, frame the career conversation, and solicit actionable feedback

# MANAGER INCENTIVES

Require managers to meet specific employee mobility goals, such as moving a certain percentage of employees within their department or into other roles

# COMMUNICATION AND MARKETING

Promote the career pathing tool during employee orientation and communicate its effectiveness an advantages to managers during performance management communications



What are the steps to creating a Career Pathing program?



#### **Step 1: Role Architecture**

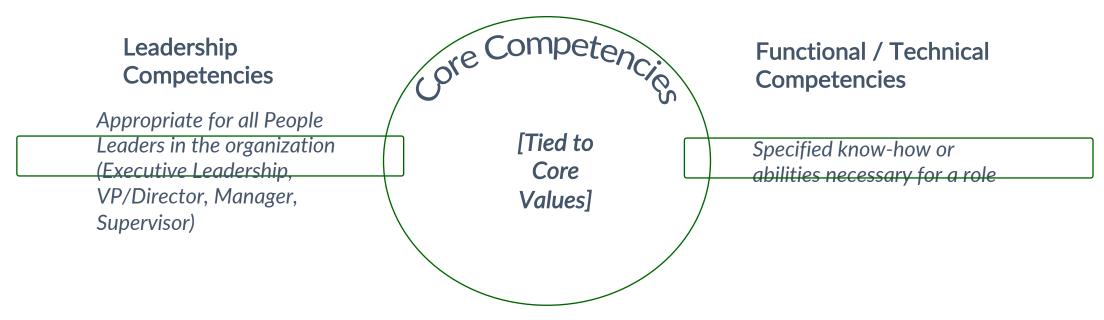


#### **Human Resources**



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1	Human ources		Manager, Human Resources		Generalist, Human Resources	HR Administrator
			Manager, Senior Talent Acquisition		Talent Acquisition Specialist Senior Specialist, Benefits & Compensation	

## **Step 2: Competency Framework**



- Core Competencies Reflection of Core values, Principles, culture, and vision that should be exhibited by all employees
- Leadership Competencies Behavior indicators vary based on level and scope of responsibilities i.e. Executive, Sr Leadership, Manager, Supervisor, Professional
- Functional / Technical Competencies Specialized know-how or abilities required for employees to successfully perform their specific functional job role

# **Step 3: Target Competency Proficiency Level for Every Role**

	Employee Relations					Talent Development						Talent Acquisition					Rewards and Recognition						Operational Excellence				
	knowledge of the Business	Employee Relations Guidelines	HR Ethics and Compliance	Performance Assessment / Improvement	Progressive Discipline	Downsizing and outplacement	raining needs Analysis	raining Methods, Programs and techniques	New Hire Onboarding	Performance Management Methods	Succession Planning	Career Development / Coaching	Assess past and future staffing needs	Secruitment methods and sources	nterviewing techniques	skills Assessment	Relocation Practices	ederal, State and Local Compensation & Benefit aws (FLSA, COBRA, etc.)	lob evaluation methods	ob pricing and Pay structures	ncentive and variable pay methods	Non-cash compensation methods (Service Awards, etc.)	Benefit Plans (health insurance, life insurance, pension, etc.)	Diversity and inclusion principles and practices	HR Metrics	HR Policies & Procedures	rechnology and HRIS
HR Manager																											
Training & Development Manager																											
HR Generalist																											
PROFICIENCY LEVELS																											
Subject Matter Depth and Breadth	Individual h	ndividual has to be an expert in this knowledge, skill or ability.																									
Extensive Experience	High level o	High level of knowledge, skill or ability needs to be demonstrated; Evidence of this knowledge, skill or ability needs to be consistently observed and applied in different situations																									
Working Experience	individual r	individual needs to demonstrate good understanding of knowledge, skill or ability, but does not require as a strength																									
Basic Understanding	Evidence o	vidence of this knowledge, skill or ability is needed but not essential																									

# Step 4: Feeder Role and Next Potential Move

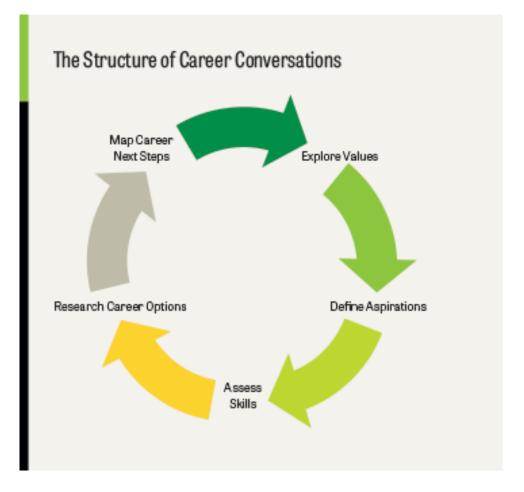
Role Title	Career Level	Minimum Education	Minimum Experience	Feeder Roles	Average Time in Role before Transition	Next Potential Role (Lateral Move, Promotion)
HR Manager						
Training & Development Manager						
HR Generalist						

Career Level	Description	Description
1	Executive Leadership	Vision, policy, strategy and direction setting; Enterprise and industry view; Driving organizational goals
2	Senior Leadership	Strategy formulation; Vision implementation; Operational responsibility; Cost and risk management; Enterprise view
3	Management; Principal	Functional, technical or process leadership; Management of multiple teams; High complexity and ambiguity; Tactical responsibilities
4	First Line Management; Principal	Team or technical supervision; Expertise and experience with complex technical activities; Project management and consulting
5	Professional, Senior	Difficult technical tasks; Implementation experience; Self_sufficiency; Small project responsibility; Limited Technical supervision
6	Technician Trainee, Associate, Administrator	Routine technical tasks; Mostly self_sufficient, Operates under some supervision, Problem_solving

# Step 5: Enable Leaders to deliver impactful Career Discussions

47% of organizations provide managers with career management training

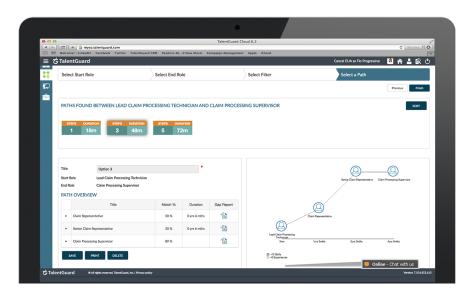
41% of employees rate their managers as holding effective career management discussions.

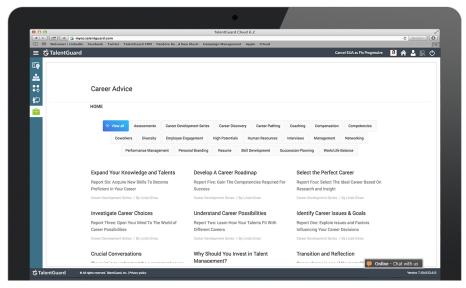


Source: www.atd.org

#### Step 6: Automate and Empower Employees to Own their Careers







#### To Sum it up....

- 1. Provide a compelling business case for why career management must be addressed.
- 2. Define what success should look like and use this vision to create new solutions.
- 3. Obtain sponsorship and the necessary supports (technology investments, manager and employee training, design of new career architecture).
- 4. Link the career pathing initiative to strategic workforce planning and anticipated pipeline gaps, especially for mission-critical roles.
- 5. Demonstrate and celebrate career development progress.





#### Learn More

TalentGuard's Career Pathing software changes the paradigm for career progression in the 21<sup>st</sup> century by enabling employers to establish clear strategies for how talent can grow from within.

- Fuel employee enablement by recommending career paths, job enhancement, vacancies and job rotations aligned to skills, goals and aspirations.
- **Empower leaders** by helping them coach and support employees with meaningful conversations as they navigate the organization.
- Build a workforce around **organizational engagement** which gives companies a competitive advantage.

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