

# Building and Sustaining Effective Teams



**CHANGES  
AHEAD**

# Today's Presenters



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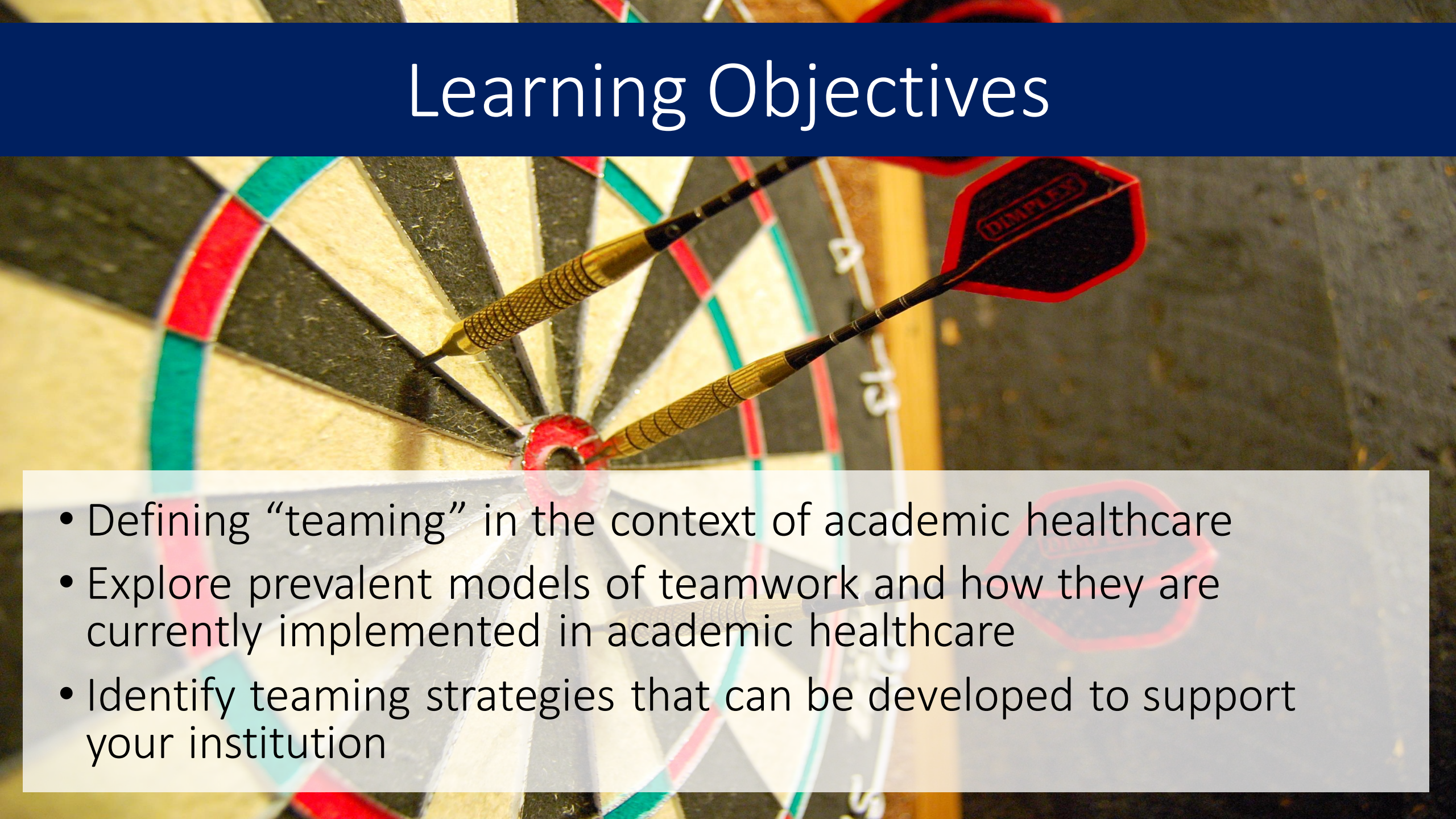


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Thank you for spending this time



# Learning Objectives

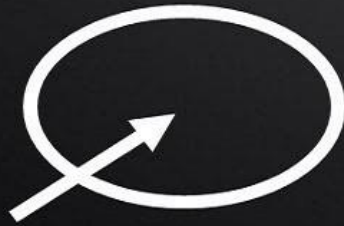
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- Defining “teaming” in the context of academic healthcare
  - Explore prevalent models of teamwork and how they are currently implemented in academic healthcare
  - Identify teaming strategies that can be developed to support your institution

# Expectations

Where  
the magic  
happens

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Your  
Comfort  
Zone



Nihal

active | @nihal



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Today

Steve 3:22 PM

How was yesterday's meeting?

Nihal 3:22 PM

It was great. We need to discuss the action items.

Steve 3:22 PM

OK sounds good.

We probably need to bring in a few others

Don't you think?

Nihal 3:23 PM

Yes I agree.

Steve 3:24 PM

OK next week is going to be a big week!

Nihal 3:24 PM

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Blue Jeans

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Launch a Blue Jeans video conference

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Speaker View



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George Kao the zoom tutorial guy



Dianne Allen



Leslie Seidel



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Zoom Meeting Control Bar:

- Stop Video (⌘⇧V) - circled in yellow
- Invite
- Manage Participants (7)
- Share Screen
- Chat
- Record
- Breakout Rooms
- End Meeting

# Teams All Around Us...

- Military
  - Over \$150 million and 50 years of investment in R&D
- Aviation Community
  - 60-80% of mishaps and accidents are caused by poor teamwork
  - 30 year investment in teamwork and safety
- Emergency Management Community
  - 9/11 tragedy
  - Focus on: “Teams of Teams”/ MetaLeadership
- High Reliability Organizations
  - Nuclear power plants/Offshore oil platforms
  - Focus on: Redundancy of systems





# Definition of a Team



How do we turn a team of experts  
into an expert team?

# 7 C's of Teamwork....

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**COOPERATION**  
Motivational Drivers

**COORDINATION**  
Behavioral  
Mechanism

**COGNITION**  
Common  
Understanding

**COACHING**  
Leadership Activities

**CONFLICT**  
Conflict Resolution  
Procedures

**CONDITIONS**  
Norms & Support

**TEAMWORK**

**Organizational &  
Individual Outcomes**

# Effective Teams....

1. Clear **roles & responsibilities**
2. Compelling **purpose** – goal, vision
3. Team **coach** (leader) – promotes, develops, reinforces
4. Mutual **trust** – familiarity
5. Team **norms** – clear, known & appropriate
6. **Shared understanding** of task, mission & goals – hold shared mental model
7. **Self-correct** – huddles, debriefs
8. Set **expectations** (and are **managed**) clear, understood
9. Shared **unique** information – efficient information protocols
10. Surrounded by optimal organizational **conditions**

# Discussion Questions

1. Think of a great team that you have been a part of. Enter up to three words in the Chat that describe attributes of this team.
2. Think about a bad team experience you have had. Enter up to three words in the Chat that describe this experience.



# Teaming requires situational humility combined with curiosity = PSYCHOLOGICAL SAFETY

- Basic human challenge – its hard to learn if you already know!
- Message of scarcity – hard to team if you see each other as competitors





I don't like that man. I must  
get to know him better.

Abraham Lincoln

# Making it Safe to Team



# Psychological Safety Defined:

Defined as “being able to show and employ one’s self without fear of negative consequences of self-image, status or career” (Kahn, 1990)

- In a *psychological safe* environment:
  - Individuals speak up
  - Share their opinions and ideas openly
  - Take risks
  - Admit failures
  - Learn from the failures
  - Have open honest discussions





# How do you build Psychological Safety?

- Collective learning FRAME:
  - Asking questions
  - Sharing information
  - Seeking help
  - Experimenting with unproven actions
  - Talking about mistakes
  - Seeking feedback

Psychological safety enables groups to obtain and process data needed to adapt and improve



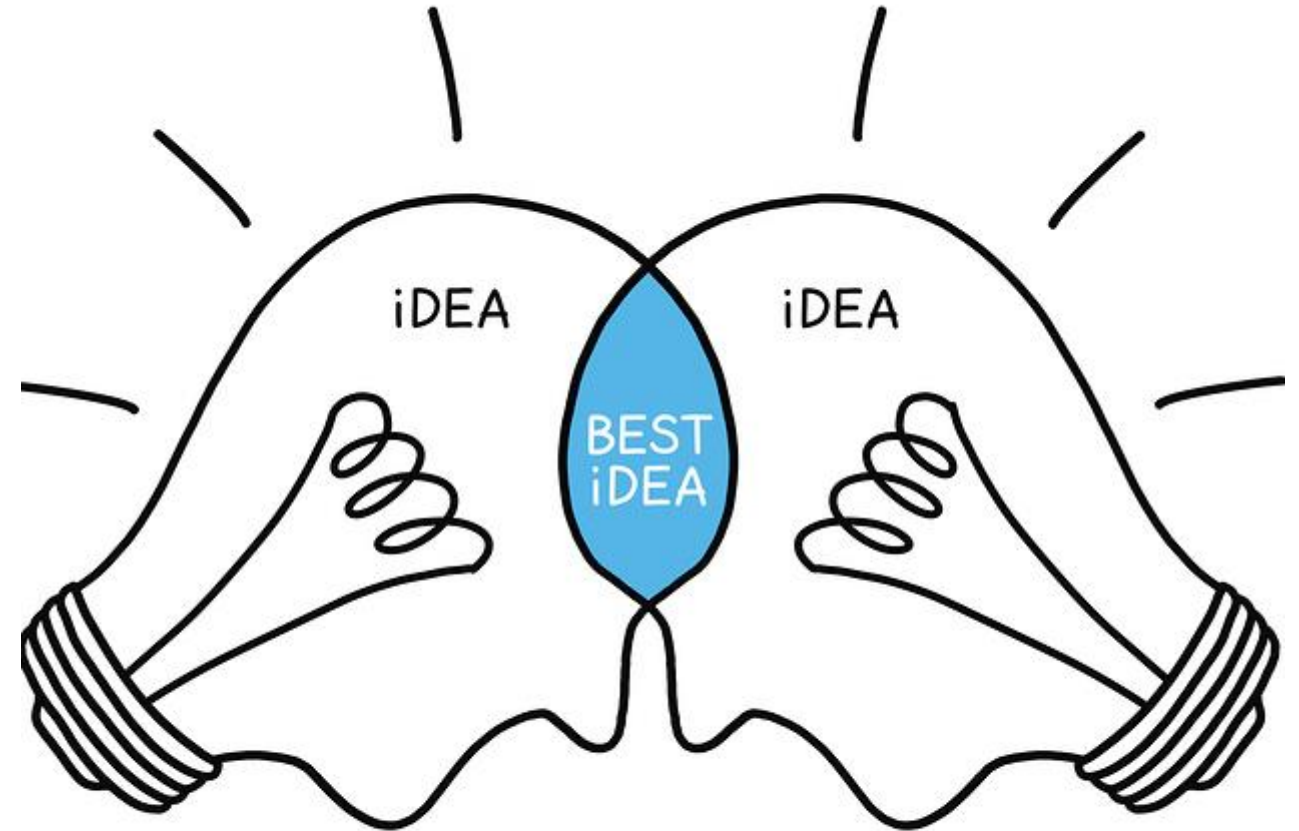
# Behaviors Driving Teaming Success: Speaking Up

Teaming depends on honest, direct conversation between individuals, including asking questions, seeking feedback, and discussing errors



# Behaviors Driving Teaming Success: Collaboration

Teaming requires a collaborative mindset and behaviors – both within and outside a given unit of teaming – to drive the process



# Behaviors Driving Teaming Success: Experimentation

Teaming involves a tentative, iterative approach to action that recognizes the novelty and uncertainty inherent in every interaction between individuals



# Behaviors Driving Teaming Success: Safety

Teaming relies on the use of explicit observations, questions, and discussions of processes and outcomes. This must happen on a consistent basis that reflects the rhythm of the work, whether that calls for daily, weekly, or other project-specific timing.



# Discussion Question

Enter in the Chat what you think makes people feel psychologically unsafe?



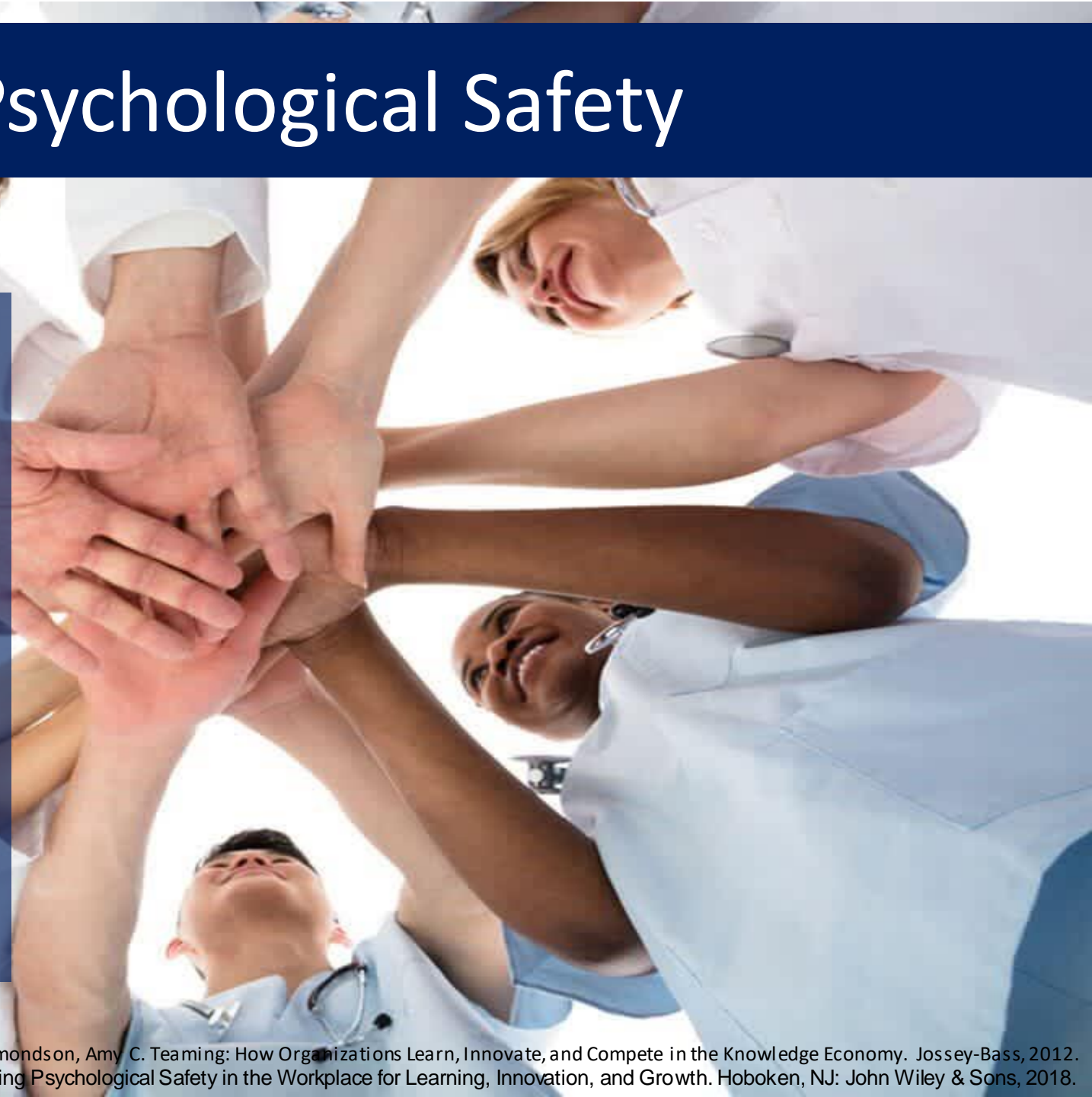
# Risks at Work

- Being seen as...
  - Ignorant
  - Incompetent
  - Negative
  - Disruptive



# Benefits of Psychological Safety

- Encourages speaking up
- Enables clarity of thought
- Supports productive conflict
- Mitigates failure
- Promotes innovation
- Removes obstacles to pursuing goals for achieving performance
- Increase accountability





# Teaming- Why now?

- Uncertainty + Interdependency= Fear
- Fear is the complete opposite of Psychological Safety

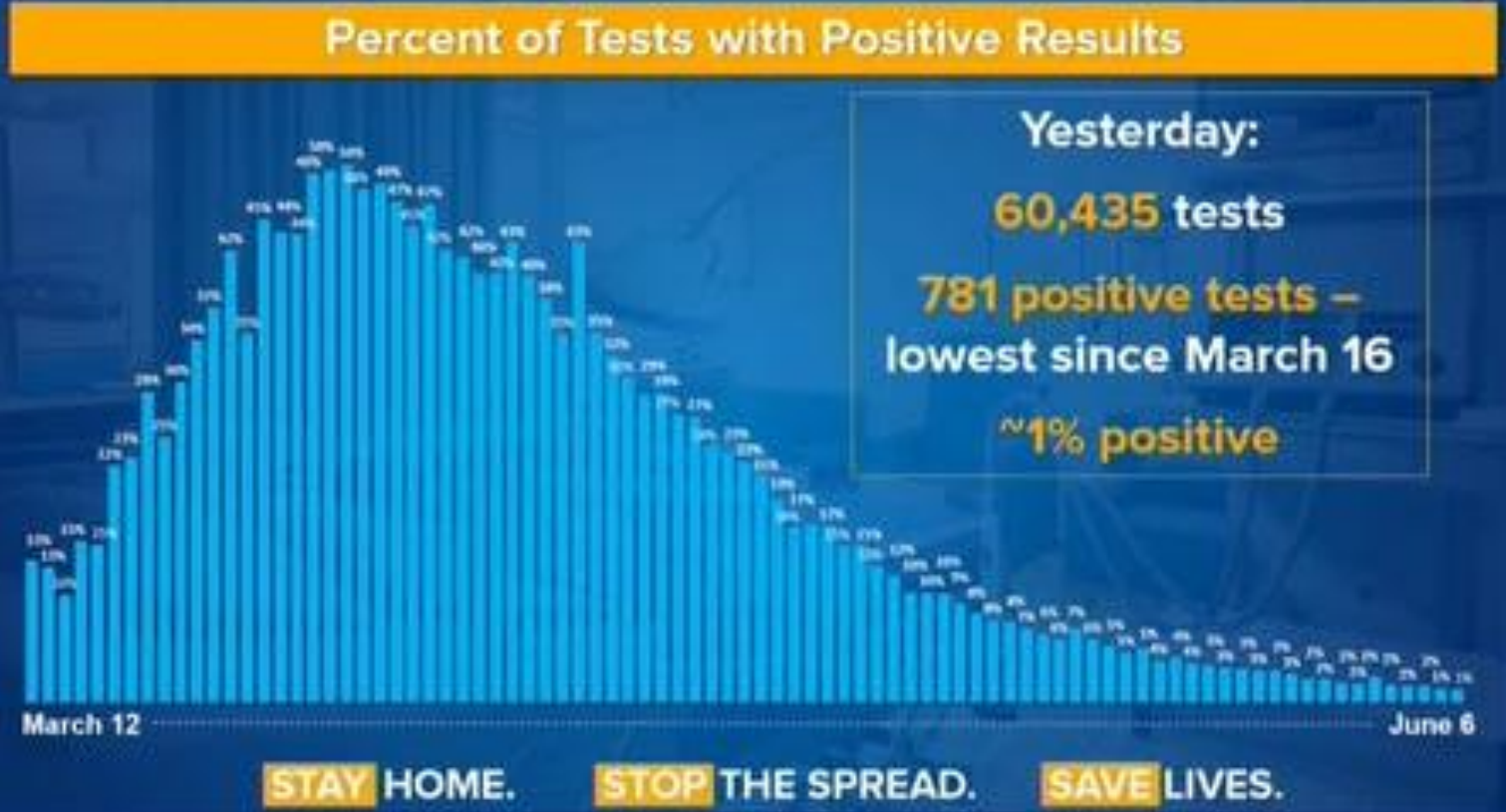


# Creating psychological safety during COVID 19

- Establish communication vehicles with a regular schedule
- Provide space to discuss concerns
- Offer hope, kindness and flexibility whenever possible



# Establish Communication Vehicles



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			COVID +							COVID PUI	
			ICU Unit	ICU Intubated	Floor	Txfer	D/C	Expired	LTC - MR	ICU	Floor
			% License	Census							
Hospital A	89%	983	3	1	8	0	4	0	4	0	0
Hospital B	99%	558	0	0	2	0	1	0	8	2	2
Hospital C	81%	188	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hospital D	99%	29	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total			3	1	10	0	5	0	12	2	2
Prior Day Total			2	0	12	0	1	0	12	1	3

# Space to Discuss Concern





# Do you work in psychologically safe team?

- How do you react when other team member make mistakes? How do they react when you make mistakes?
- Do team members and/or you bring up tough issues or problems?
- Is it safe to take a risk on your team?
- How easy is it to ask for help on your team?
- Does your team value and use your unique skill set and talents? Do you value and use your team's unique skill sets and talents?

# Recommendations for a Successful Teaming Journey

## Aim High

- Aspire to change something
- Touch hearts and minds
- Stretch!

## Team Up

- Ensure diversity
- Cross boundaries
- Nurture curiosity
- Put conflict to good use

## Fail Well

- Stop the blame game
- Fail at the right scale

## Learn Fast

- Be deliberate about the four steps of the learning process (diagnosis, design, act, reflect)
- Framing for learning

## Repeat

- Keep on going

Make it Safe!



# Teaming Resources

- [Don't hide bad news in times of crisis](#) by Amy Edmondson
- [How the Best Bosses Interrupt Bias on Their Teams](#) by Joan C. Williams and Sky Mihaylo
- [How to Foster Psychological Safety in Virtual Meetings](#) by Amy C. Edmondson and Gene Daley
- [Why Teams Don't Work](#) by Diane Coutu
- [What Makes for a Great Team?](#) by Richard Hackman
- [Team Learning and Psychological Safety Survey](#) by Amy Edmondson
- Test your team's level of psychological safety- [quiz](#)



Thank  
you!!

# Save the Date

## **2020 GBA/GIP Virtual Programming: *Faculty Office Space – Research and Strategies to Address Real Versus Perceived Needs Webinar***

Tuesday, October 6, 2020  
3:00 – 4:00 pm ET

## **2020 GBA/GIP Virtual Programming: *Disrupting the HR Model: What Happens When You Blow Up the Old Way of Working?***

Thursday, November 19, 2020  
4:00 – 5:00 pm ET

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