# Converting Potential to Performance: Optimizing High Potential Development



TOP PERFORMERS

DO DIFFERENTLY—AND INSPIRE
A NEW LEVEL OF GREATRESS IN ALL

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## Strategic View

High potential (Hi Po) personnel are the future leaders of the organization

Developing Hi Pos into the actual leaders of the organization is a strategic imperative

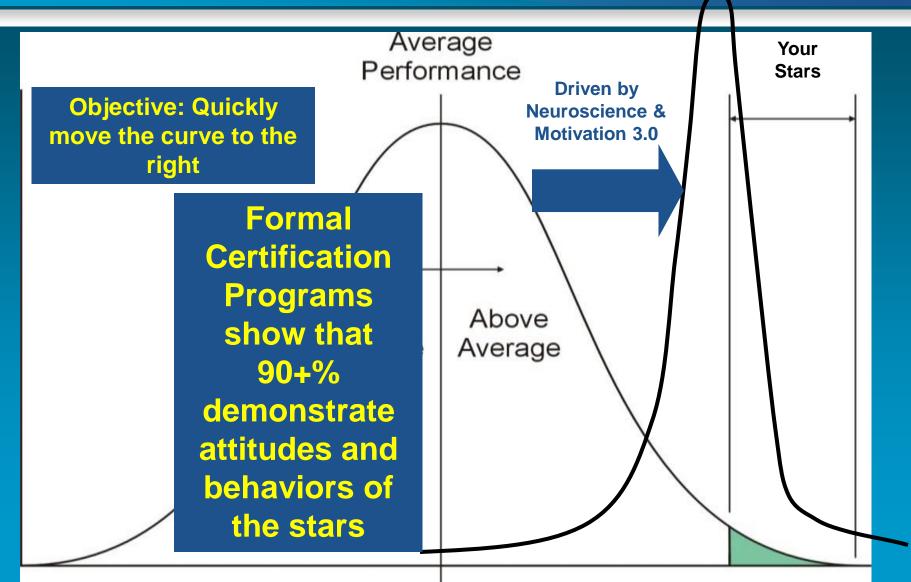
New science creates opportunities for more sophisticated and effective Hi Po development programs

# Agenda

- Assumption: You have a means of identifying Hi Pos (more on this later)
- Agenda
  - The goal of Hi Po development think and act like the stars
  - The science and methodology for effective Hi Po development
  - Practical approaches to Hi Po development
  - Expanding the notion of Hi Po to "Deep Bench"



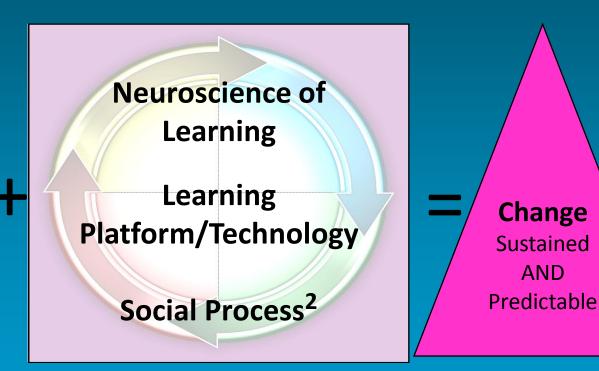
Goal of Development Programs





# Development Methodology

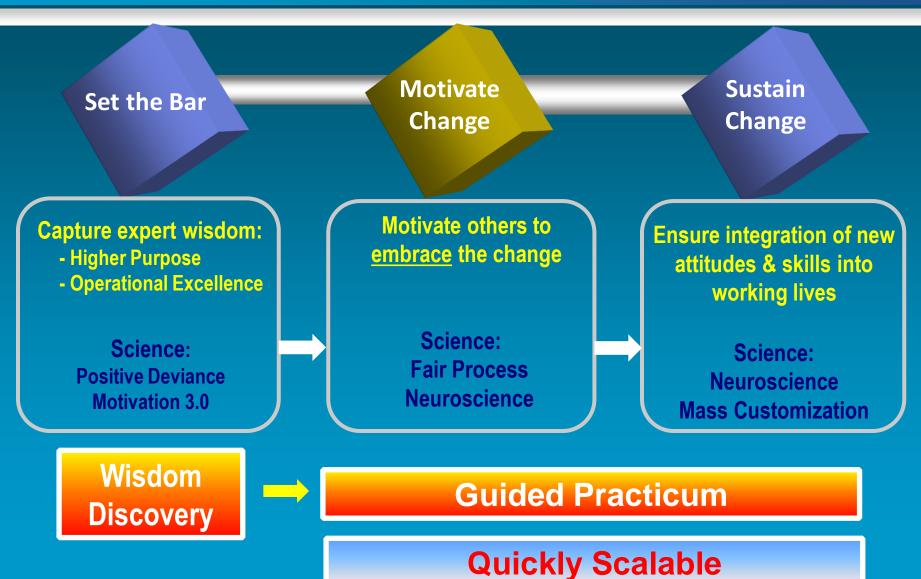




Guided Practicum
System



# Affirmative Transformation Model





# Different Intensity/Impact Options

# All options can use science of Affirmative Leadership

**Sustainer Programs** 

#### Workshop Programs

Short (4-8 hours), intense, highly interactive

Reinforce and apply prior learning experience (Workshops, classes, Transformational Programs)

#### **Multiple delivery options:**

- · Pure e-learning
- Self-Managed Learning Groups
- · "Coach" Led

# Transformational Programs

4-5 month transformational learning experience

90+% Think and Act Like the Stars

- Wisdom Discovery
   (From your stars or customized from the Cerebyte Library)
- Coach Training
- Launch workshops
- Guided Practicum



# Transformational Program

#### **Discovery**

#### Launch

#### **Practice**

**Guided Practicum** 

(~3-5 mo./2 Hrs

per week)

#### Wisdom Discovery (3 Days)



2-10 Stars develop or customize Library content

#### Launch Workshop

(6 Hrs)



Group Learning Kick-off

Leadership training for coaches

Coach Launch

(6 Hrs)

On-going Group Learning

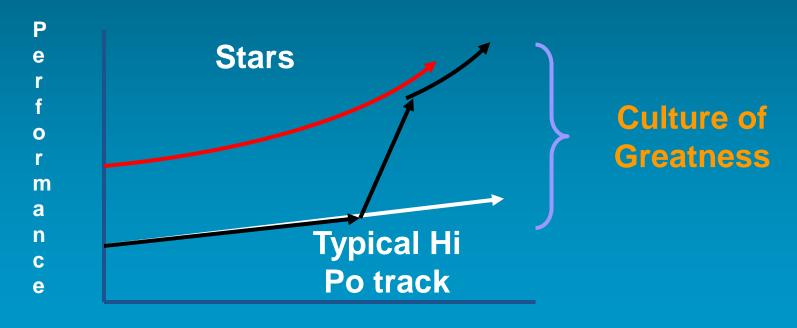
#### Sustainer

Long-term reinforcement



### Performance Results

- Formal Certification Programs 90+% demonstrate attitudes and behaviors
- Expected ROI = 20X (Measured High=39X)



# Examples of Hi Po Successes

Company A: First-line Leadership program in retail grew sales 5.25% more in 12 weeks than control groups using traditional learning approaches

Company B: Transformational Leadership program for senior manages and junior executives led to identification and implementation of 22 new highly innovative, strategic initiatives

Company C: Sales rep program doubled sales of digital solutions in 4 months

Company E: Programs for Call Center Reps and their supervisors doubled first call resolutions



### Pros and Cons of Hi Po

#### Why a Hi Po Focus?

- Limited # development slots
- Relatively easy to identify (Based on performance evaluations)
- Fits classic industrial performance model

#### **Limitations of Hi Po Focus**

- Limits size of available pool (aka the Michael Jordan problem)
- Decreases others productivity (you are not a Hi Po!)
- Undermines collaboration



# Hi Po vs. Deep Bench

# Build a deep bench

- Identify key roles in the organization that you want personnel depth
- Put everyone possible through a Affirmative Leadership program
  - High leverage and low expense mean there is no real limitation on numbers of people
  - Based on real situations, depth of ability is widespread
  - Organization makes broad productivity gain

.....Everyone Can (and should) be a Hi Po



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