Why financial wellness now?

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of employees feel distracted at work



of defined contribution participants report missing work to deal with the emotional stress caused by their finances



of defined contribution participants feel they are living paycheck to paycheck



of U.S. workers lack a savings cushion for emergencies





Putting the pieces together

Step 1: Understand the financial landscape

Step 2: Define financial wellness for your organization

Step 3: Lean on best practices

Step 4: Explore established and emerging solutions

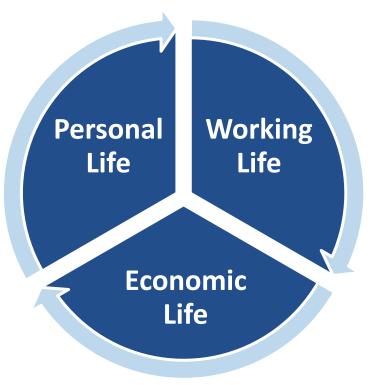
Step 5: Overcome challenges

Step 6: Build a business case

Step 1: Understanding the financial landscape

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Financial Wellness Ecosystem







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Meet people where they are:

INCOME	SPENDING	BUILDING	EXTRA	FINANCIALLY
STRUGGLES	CHALLENGES	SAVINGS	INCOME	SECURE
 Lives paycheck to paycheck Multiple jobs Poor credit May use predatory products 	 Lives paycheck to paycheck Does not manage budget well May have poor credit Lacks savings cushions 	 Has savings cushion Needs help fine-tuning budgeting Takes advantage of workplace benefits May still need financial education support 	 Top 20% earners in workforce Financially literate Thinks of future Saving for child's college Wise about saving on taxes Owns home or in position to buy one 	 Well-compensated Maximizes tax benefits Has a will, beneficiaries Saves at max IRS limits Interested in financial planning, wealth building and retirement planning strategies





Step 3: Lean on best practices

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1

EVALUATE

- Review plan data
- Use data for interventions and to correct behaviors

2

AUTOMATE & ESCALATE

- Inertia can hamper outcomes
- Auto features encourage better habits

3

KEEP IT IN THE PLAN

- Hard-earned savings at risk if easily accessible
- Make bad decisions more difficult





Step 3: Lean on best practices

Choose Benefits That Engage and Matter

Segment
Programs and
Communications

Communicate Year-round





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Employer Tools

- Financial Wellness & Diagnosis
- Financial Counseling
- Concierge Services
- Emergency Savings & Loans
- Cash Flow Management
- Sophisticated Education & Budget Management
- Simpler Investing
- Investment Education
- Leverage Financial Services in Existing Benefits
- Credit Counseling & Debt Consolidation

Tools Outside of Employer Plan

- Financial Action Plan
- Saving Games
- Full Financial Picture
- Bill Pay, Budgeting and Debt Management





How do you work with limited resources?

Considerations:	Solutions:
Headcount and dollars are needed to execute strategy	 Start small, promote what you have. Track the impact of your efforts. Leverage your vendors to help you do more. Make the business case to justify the need for more resources. Utilize HR for program delivery. Evaluate and reprioritize current solutions. Tweak off-the-shelf products.





How do you navigate complex, disconnected programs?

Considerations:	Solutions:
Make it easier to change behaviors	 Consolidate your resources. Create a dedicated website. Build awareness of where to go for information. Develop "just in time" communications. Host a "vendor summit" to integrate programs and communications.





How do you meet the needs of various stakeholders?

Considerations:	Solutions:
How to manage competing priorities and many decision makers	 Utilize a strong framework to keep parties grounded in the shared vision. Focus on creating a strategy that ties to concrete goals. Work with your vendors to encourage collaboration.



How do you get employees to pay attention to communications?

Considerations:	Solutions:
Limited time, attention, and multiple consumption preferences and learning styles	 Communicate year-round in smaller campaigns. Do something differently to grab attention. Make benefits education part of mandatory training. Communicate during life events. Use simple tools like webinars to get the word out frequently. Tie financial education to "action required" events.





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Data points to measure:

Cost and ROI of **Employee Job** Presenteeism **Retirement Readiness** Performance **Current Offerings** General Financial Absenteeism **Medical Claims Debt Levels** Wellness **Employee Satisfaction with Credit Scores** Turnover their Work and Life Environments



The six must-ask questions before building a business strategy and vision

- (1) What is our vision for financial wellness?
- 2 What is our philosophy?
- What are our objectives?
- (4) How will we measure success?
- 5 How will we tie those measurements to business goals and results—both short-term and long-term?
- 6 What resources are needed to create the program, manage it over time and communicate it frequently?





Q&A

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