

# The Patient Experience: Purpose and Physician Well-BEING

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Ready, Aim...

## **Go For Four!**

### **Improve the Provider Experience**

### **Enhance the Experience of Care**

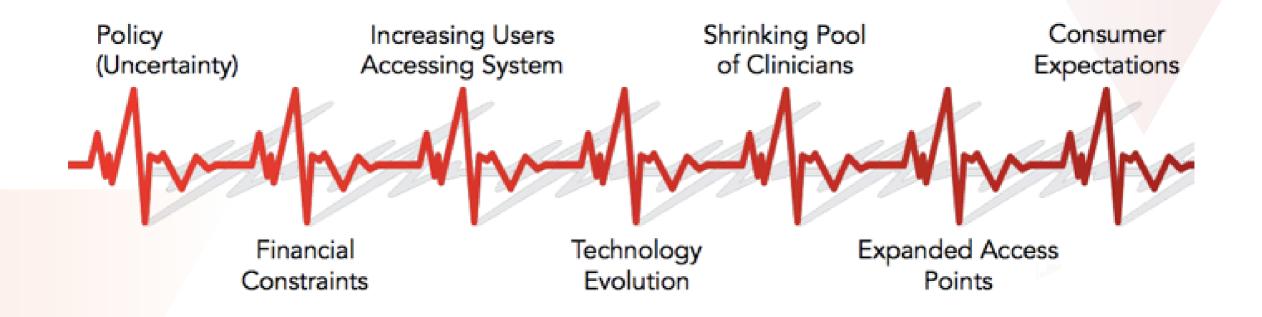
### **Population Health**

### **Reduce Per Capita Costs**

Berwick DM, Nolan TW, Whittington J. The Triple Aim: Care, health, and cost. Health Affairs. 2008 May/June;27(3):759-769



### **Healthcare's Moment**



Will require our current healthcare models/systems to think, structure, and act in new ways.



# The Clinical Environment is...





### Interruptions are constant ...

Hi, just paged out internal disaster, patient set fire to bathroom. All ok though

Can you come see patient? Suctioning blood from airway. Paging anesthesia to intubate. Thanks!

Need to send hm pt in rm 15, ride is on way, pt walking out door AMA, would you like to see him?

Pt rm 612 now on 100% fio2, thought you might want to know



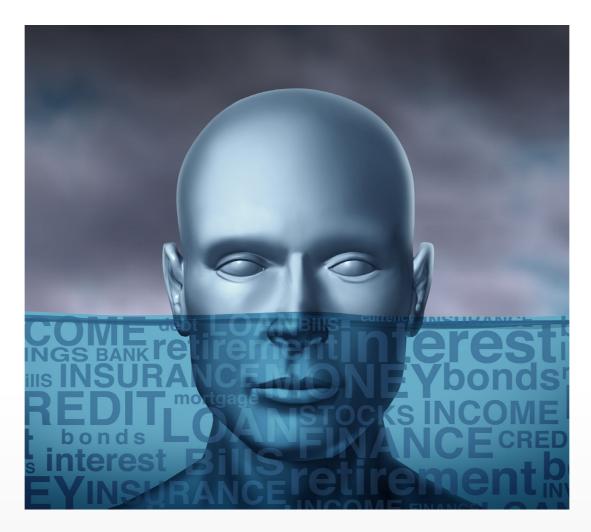
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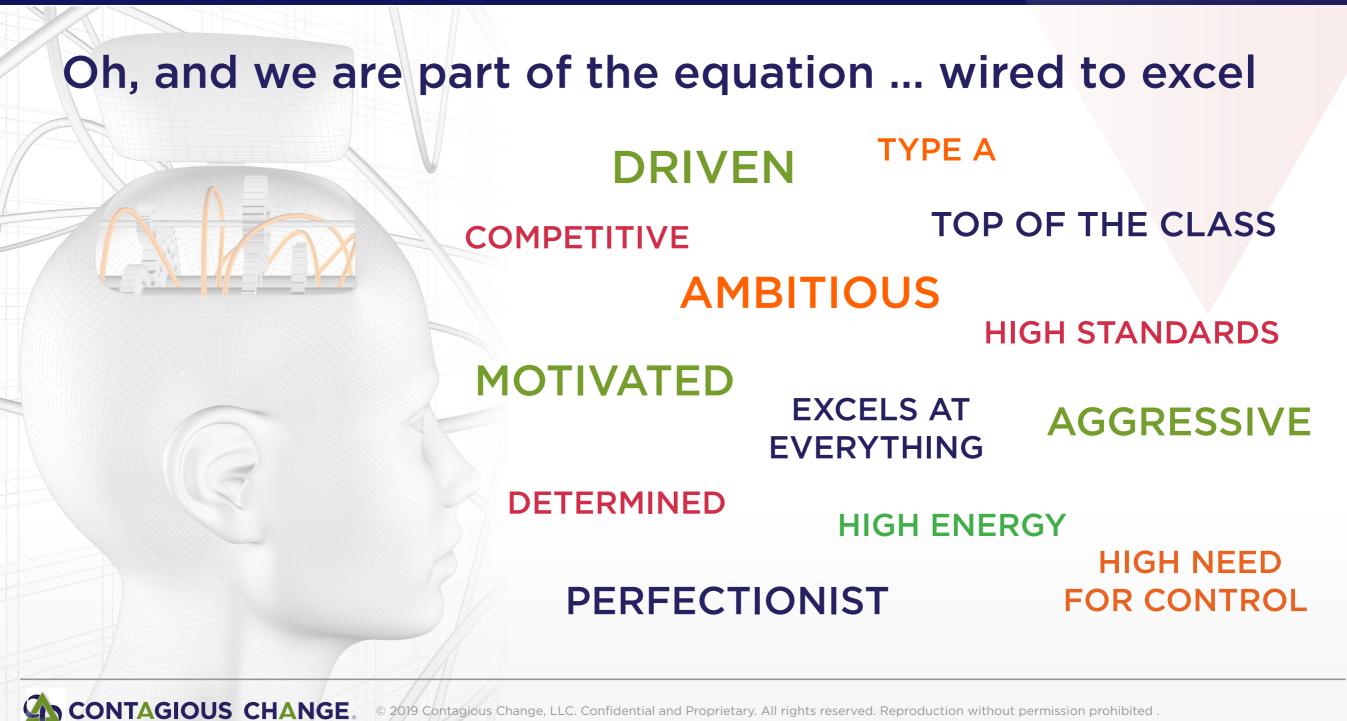
# **Demanding Operational Environment**



# And this... Financial & Emotional Stress







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# **Adverse Events**

# **3.7%** of Hospitalizations result in an adverse event with harm

### 13.6% of these (0.5% of the total) result in death



# **Adverse Events**

35.1 million hospitalizations in US per year
1,298,700 adverse events in US per year
176,623 deaths from adverse events in US per year

3 domestic airline crashes per day, every day of the year

Average # of seats on a domestic 737 airplane = 158 The burden of not wanting to crash the plane

Source - NEJM, 1991



There is a disconnect between the passion doctors feel about caring for patients

# and the reality of the work environment



# The disconnect - It's real

# It's palpable, and sometimes painful





### ... to Purpose, Passion & Well-BEING



# Well-BEING



Positive Emotion Engagement Relationships Meaningfulness Accomplishment



PURPOSE & PASSION AWARENESS & ACTION





**Positive Emotion** 



"Find out where the joy resides, and give it a voice far beyond singing. For to miss the joy is to miss all"

- Robert Louis Stevenson



# TURN YOUR OBSERVER ON



Everyone has the capacity to change a world."

- Diane Rogers

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IDENTIFY YOUR FAVORITE PATIENT

# CREATE, CHANGE, AND CONTINUE THE CONVERSATION

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# Getting back to basics

### MAKE A CONNECTION

Smiles Personalizes Eye Contact Touches Engaged / Active Listening Ask Permission Courteous / Polite Knocks prior to Entry/Sits Down Apologizes

#### SAY 'HELLO'

Introductions; With Patient / Family Refers to Patient by Name Familiar with Patient History

#### CREATE THE CONVERSATION

Creates / Continue the Conversation Does Not Interrupt Involves the Patient; Asks for Input Repeats Back Patient's Words Sets / Manages Expectations Explanations – What & Why Summarizes All Things Discussed Validates Understanding

### PUT AT EASE

Manages Pain Reassures Validates Patient Comments (RLR) Empathetic (RLR<sup>2</sup>) Encourages Continuity of Care Manages Up

#### SAY 'GOOD-BYE'

Comes to Agreement Offers Alternatives Turns Negatives into Positives Asks for Questions











Why did you want to pursue a career in healthcare?

What brings you joy in your job?

*"It's not enough to have lived. We should be determined to live for something."* 

- Winston S. Churchill





Accomplishment

"To be yourself in a world that is constantly trying to make you something else is the greatest accomplishment."

- Ralph Waldo Emerson



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# Turn your 'To-Dos' into

- Michelle McQuaid





### **Reconnect to Purpose, Passion & Well-BEING**





# Thank You

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