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Exploring the role of Line Managers in developing and maintaining employee engagement levels

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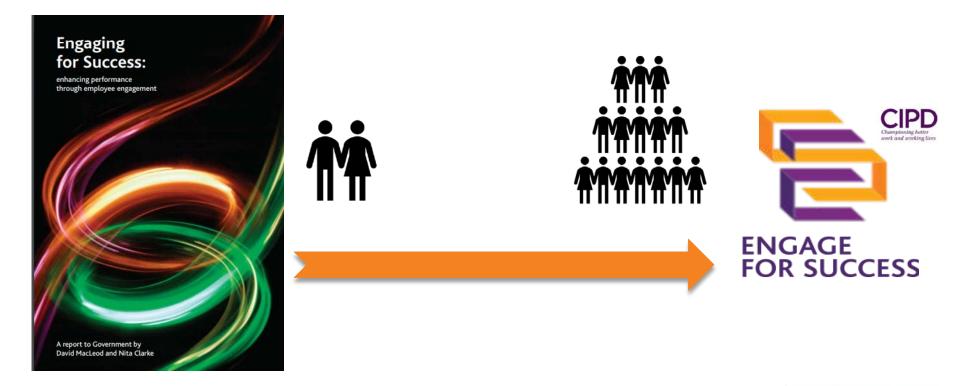
AN EXAMPLE OF ACTIVE DISENGAGEMENT:







FROM THE MACLEOD REVIEW (2009) TO A MOVEMENT







THOUGHT AND ACTION GROUPS (TAGS) - WHAT DO WE DO?



Thought and Action Groups -Topic & Sector Developing research through Topic and Sector TAGs

- Line Manager TAG
- Behavioural Science TAG

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Thought and Action Groups -

Regional

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Disseminating research and findings from Regional TAGs

• East Midlands TAG

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FOCUS OF LINE MANAGER TAG RESEARCH

- Who is responsible for developing and implementing engagement initiatives?
- What role do key stakeholders have in implementing and sustaining employee engagement initiatives?
- What are the challenges to implementing and maintaining engagement initiatives?







WHAT WE HAVE DONE SO FAR

- Case study research in the public sector
- Conducted interviews and focus groups with respondents across the public sector
- Semi-structured interviews with **key stakeholders** (Senior professionals, HR professionals, Line managers, Employees, Unions and Engagement Champions)







ENGAGEMENT IS EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY

- Line managers were the medium between different stakeholders, and the implementers of engagement initiatives.
- HR's role was to facilitate the process and transactional aspect of employee engagement
- Senior management need to be the advocate of engagement and are accountable for leading and driving it.
- Union representatives supported and encouraged engagement between front-line staff and organisational initiatives.
- Engagement required **employees** to be partners and engage in initiatives.





WHAT ARE THE CHALLENGES FACING YOUR TEAM?







WHAT ONE CHANGE WOULD YOU MAKE? #ONECHANGE











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Thank you

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