The Generational Puzzle:
Understanding your people
strategy for today's changing
workforce

CACUBO Webinar

November 17, 2022



Nichole Johnson

Gallagher

Area Vice President, Higher Ed Practice

Vanessa Duffin Joliet Junior College Senior Human Resources Generalist, Total Rewards



nsurance | Risk Managemer

Consulting

# Global Reach.

Local Presence.

SHARED VALUES + PASSION OF EXCELLENCE = PROMISES DELIVERED

# The Gallagher Way

25 TENETS THAT HAVE GUIDED A TEAM-ORIENTED CULTURE FOR 30+ YEARS

33,000+

**EMPLOYEES WORLDWIDE** 

#### SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

COMPANYWIDE FOCUS ON ETHICAL CONDUCT, EMPLOYEE HEALTH & WELFARE ENIVIRONMENTAL INTEGRITY AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

950+

**OFFICES IN 49 COUNTRIES** 

1,300+

HIGHER EDUCATION CLIENTS NATIONALLY FOUNDED IN

1927

**FAMILY RUN** 

112,706

TOTAL GALLAGHER EMPLOYEE VOLUNTEER HOURS

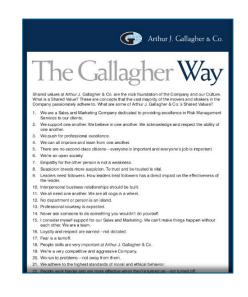
## About Gallagher













## Shifting Organizational Priorities

#### Top HR and operational priorities

#### **PRE-COVID**

- Attract & Retain a
  Competitive
  Workforce
- 2 Control Employee
  Benefit Costs
- 3 Increase Workforce Engagement

#### **During COVID**

- Health & Safety of Employees
- 2 Business Continuity
- 3 Recovery Plan

#### NOW

- 1 Retention
- Attraction
- 3 Improve Employee Health & Wellbeing

Gallagher's 2019 Benefits Strategy & Benchmarking Survey U.S. National Report
Gallagher's Workforce Trends Pulse Survey Part 5: Sustaining Organizational Wellbeing and Resiliency Through a Crisis" May, 2020
Gallagher's 2022 Benefits Strategy & Benchmarking Survey U.S. National Report



## Big Shifts Impacting the Workforce

#### **Power Shift**

From employer to the employee



## Leadership Style Shift

From authoritarian to servant

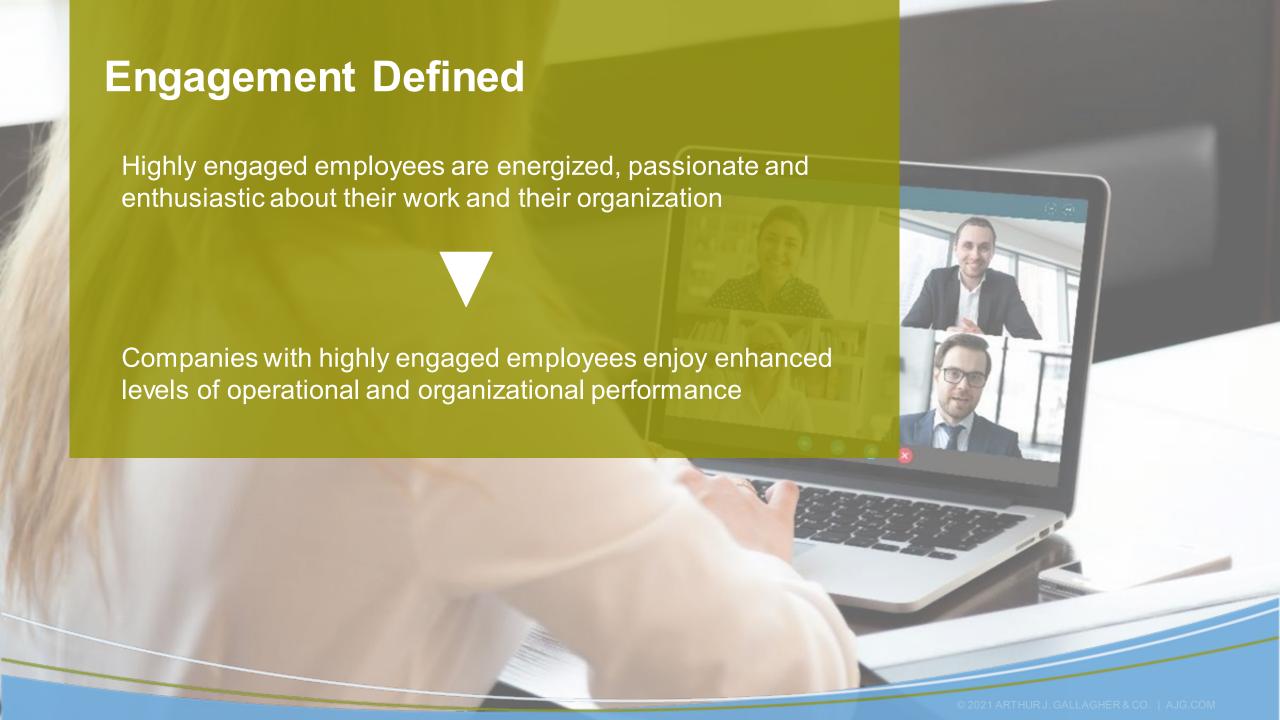
#### **Culture Shift**

Emphasizing social issues and whole life integration



## Shifting Employee Behaviors







# What percent of your workforce would you consider *engaged*?

- a) 0-24%
- b) 25-49%
- c) 50-74%
- d) 75-100%

# Poll Question!

# How Key Drivers of Engagement Are Changing

#### 2018

- Growth & Development
- Quality/Service
- Teamwork
- Dignity/Respect
- Sr. Leadership Ethics

#### 2019

- Growth & Development
- Quality/Service
- Teamwork
- Dignity/Respect
- Innovation

#### 2020

- Recognition
- Confidence in Org. & Sr. Leaders
- Work-life Balance
- Physical/Emotional Wellbeing
- Resiliency

#### 2021 - 2022

- Resiliency
- Confidence in Org.& Sr. Leaders
- Growth & Development
- Quality/Service
- Innovation



## Characteristics of engaged employees:

- Are proud to work for this organization
- Feel as though the organization's mission strongly resonates with them
- Believe they are important to the organization's success
- Willingly exert extra effort to help the organization be successful
- Experience a sense of satisfaction following their workday
- Are likely to recommend the organization to others as a good workplace
- Are NOT seriously considering leaving to pursue other job opportunities



# People Insights Analysis





## **Career Stages**

	Exploration (Under 25)	Established (25-34)	Mid-Career (35-44)	Late Career (45-54)	Pre-Retiree (55+)
Life Stage Characteristics	More likely to be single and without dependents	Single or recently married	Potential child dependent needs	Potential child and adult dependent needs	Family obligations lessened
Career	Work environment and corporate culture are important	Job advancement with clear career path options	Work/life balance is important	Professional leadership and mentorship opportunities important	Preparing for transition into retirement
Financial	Limited/no savings	Debt or learning to manage bills	Focusing on first home purchase	Potential disruption due to dependent education costs	Focus on steady income during retirement
Engagement Needs	Needs guidance, structure and feedback	Seeks mentorship aligned with career goals	Prefers summarized and visually appealing information	Prefers practical and factual information targeted to their lifestyle	Prefers peer advice
Age Specific Health Concerns	Injuries	Pregnancy	Chronic conditions: cancer	Chronic conditions: arthritis, cancer, cardiovascular disease, diabetes	Chronic conditions: arthritis, cancer, cardiovascular disease, diabetes, stroke



# What is the most represented life/career stage in your workforce?

- a) Exploration (Under 25)
- b) Established (25-34)
- c) Mid-Career (35-44)
- d) Late Career (45-54)
- e) Pre-Retiree (55+)

# Poll Question!



## **Career Stages**

Industry Benchmark: Colleges, universities, and professional schools, including junior colleges



Career Stages	Exploration (Under 25)	Established (25-34)	Mid-Career (35-44)	Late Career (45-54)	Pre-Retiree (55+)
National Career Stage Distribution	12%	23%	21%	20%	24%
Higher Ed Career Stage Distribution	13%	22%	20%	19%	26%

Higher Ed Benchmark			
Median Age	42.3		
65 and Older Prevalence	7.8%		
Median Length of Employment	3.8 years		
Female Prevalence	74.3%		



## Health Risks by Life/Career Stage

Generation	Industry Benchmark	Top Concerns	Common Concerns	Focus Areas
Pre-Retirement	26%	Age-related chronic conditions High Pharmacy Utilization		Condition Management Home Care Based Programs Medicare Education
Late Career	19%	Age-related chronic conditions Cancer High Pharmacy Utilization		Condition Management Home Care Based Programs Long-Term Care coverages
Mid-Career	20%	Chronic conditions Cancer Higher cost care including well visits Accepting of virtual visit delivery models	Back Disorders Autoimmune	Condition Management Prevention Programs
Establishment	22%	Pregnancy-related claims Mental Health Conditions At-Risk/Early Diagnosis for Chronic Conditions High Pharmacy Utilization More frequent ER users	Rx Use Depression	Quick care access options Robust MHSA Support Programs Maternity Programs & Education VB Accident Programs Condition Management Consumerism education focused on Rx
Exploration	13%	Injuries Highest cost newborns Mental Health		Quick care access options Total Rewards Messaging

Disease States	National Prevalence
Arthritis	25.1%
Asthma	9.8%
Cancer	6.5%
Chronic Heart Disease	6.4%
COPD	7.1%
Diabetes	10.9%
High Blood Pressure	31.6%
High Cholesterol	33.1%
Poor Mental Health	14.1%
Poor Physical Health	13.1%

Behaviors	National Prevalence
Binge Drinking	17.6%
Lack of Sleep	36.6%
Low Physical Activity	24.9%
Obesity	31.7%
Smoking	17.9%



Generational Characteristics

& Programs to Meet Their Needs





## Understanding Your Workforce



**General Stages in an Employee's Career** 

Exploration & Established	Mid-Career	Late Career	Pre-Retiree
Under age 34	Ages 35 – 44	Ages 45 – 54	Ages 55+
GenZ or iGen to Millennials	Late-stage Millennials to Gen X	Late-stage Gen X to Boomers	Boomers



## Values & Career Characteristics

- Career Advancement & Recognition
- Mentorship
- Equality in the Workplace
- Purpose-Based Culture

## **Virtual Work Attributes**

- Communication through Technology
- Training and Onboarding
- Emails, Texts, Instant Messaging





### **Traditional Programs**

- Financial Assistance Programs
- Employee Assistance Program
   (EAP) Mental Health Support
   Services
- Pet Insurance
- Online Wellbeing Programs

#### **Innovative Programs**

- Purchasing Power
- Perks
- Self-Care Support
- Flexible Career
   Advancement Stipend





- Career Advancement & Professional Development
- Mentorship
- Flexibility & Time-Off
- Purpose-Based Culture

### **Virtual Work Attributes**

- Work/Life Balancing Act
- Commuting
- Visually Appealing Communications
- Phone Calls





#### **Traditional Programs**

- Employee Assistance Program
   (EAP) Childcare Support
   Services
- Short-Term Disability –
   Maternity Benefits
- Supplemental Health Products

#### **Innovative Programs**

- Identity Theft
- Family Support Benefits
- Financial Assistance Home and Auto







## Late Career AGES 45 - 54

## **Values & Career Characteristics**

- Leadership Roles
- Recognition & Respect
- Mentoring
- Savings & Income Protection

## **Virtual Work Attributes**

- Missing In-Person Meetings
- Practical & Factual Information
- Phone Calls and Detailed Messaging



## Late Career AGES 45 - 54

#### **Traditional Programs**

- Employee Assistance Program (EAP) – Estate Planning, Will Support
- Permanent Life Insurance, Long-term Care
- Long-Term Disability

#### **Innovative Programs**

- Financial Support Programs
- Caregiver Support Benefits



## Pre-Retiree AGES 55+

### **Values & Career Characteristics**

- Empty Nesters
- Mentoring & Coaching
- Medical Plan Users

## **Virtual Work Attributes**

- Hardest transition for this group to Remote Work Environments
- Print Materials
- Classroom-style Learners



- Life Insurance Conversion
- Medicare & Social Security
- Retirement Readiness

- Retiree Coverage
- Retiree Exchange call center/advocacy



## Meeting People Where They Are

## **Workforce Evaluation: Stages of Employee Demographics**

	Exploration & Established 20s – early 30s; Gen Y	Mid-Career Mid 30s-Early 40s; Gen X	Late Career Late 40s – 50s; Gen X/Boomers	Pre-Retiree 55-70s; Boomers
Lifestyle	Single or newly married Childless	Young family	Fewer family obligations May care for elders	Empty nesters Caring for elders
Career	First/second "real" job Finding career path; Looking to advance	Want advancement and professional development	Have worked elsewhere May have changed careers	About to retire or start new career
Financial	Want financial stability and income growth	Want steady salary increase	Pushing for highest salary	Expect top income Want to secure steady retirement
Benefits	Lighter benefit use	Moderate to heavy benefit use Like having options	Moderate benefit use Want planning advice	Benefits important, especially life and disability
Needs	Want sense of purpose Want experiences outside of work Work environment important	Trying to balance work and life Time off is important	Want professional respect Want leadership opportunities Expect recognition	Want rewards and recognition Preparing for retirement
Learning Style	Tech and multi-media based learning; Need reinforcement guidance, structure	Group learning Get advice from peers	Individual based learning Practical and factual information	Classroom-style learning; Seek-out peer advice; Information on paper



# Which life/career stage does your employee benefits plan cater to?

- a) Exploration (Under 25)
- b) Established (25-34)
- c) Mid-Career (35-44)
- d) Late Career (45-54)
- e) Pre-Retiree (55+)

# Poll Question!





## Voluntary Benefits

An easy way to increase your benefit offerings at a low cost

Broad Selection Minimizing Costs

Ease of Administration Burden

More Choice for Varying Lifestyles

Easy Payment

- Payroll

Deduction

**Group Rated** 



## Four Steps to Getting Started

#### Creating your action plan

#### Acknowledge

 Recognize the difficulty, stress, and unique challenges your employees are facing

#### Ask

- Survey your population to better understand your employees and their needs
- Survey the various leaders across your campus to assess their priorities and goals

#### Assess

- Inventory all existing benefits, resources and policies
- Benchmark your current plans and plan design
- Conduct a
   People Insights
   Analysis or
   workforce
   analysis

#### Act

- Develop an inclusive strategy that supports total wellbeing
- Understand your role in developing the next generation of leadership



# Thank you!

#### Nichole Johnson

Area Vice President, Higher Education Practice Nichole Johnson@ajg.com 630-634-4028

This document contains links or citations to non-Gallagher websites or sources that are created and controlled by other organizations. Gallagher claims no responsibility for the content of any linked website, or any link contained therein. Gallagher strongly encourages you to review any separate terms of use and privacy policies governing use of these third-party websites and resources.

Gallagher provides insurance, risk management and consultation services for our clients in response to both known and unknown risk exposures. When providing analysis and recommendations regarding potential insurance coverage, potential claims and/or operational strategy in response to national emergencies (including health crises), we do so from an insurance/risk management perspective, and offer broad information about risk mitigation, loss control strategy and potential claim exposures. We have prepared this commentary and other news alerts for general informational purposes only and the material is not intended to be, nor should it be interpreted as, legal or client-specific risk management advice. General insurance descriptions contained herein do not include complete insurance policy definitions, terms and/or conditions, and should not be relied on for coverage interpretation. The information may not include current governmental or insurance developments, is provided without knowledge of the individual recipient's industry or specific business or coverage circumstances, and in no way reflects or promises to provide particular insurance coverage outcomes.

Consulting and insurance brokerage services to be provided by Gallagher Benefit Services, Inc. and/or its affiliate Gallagher Benefit Services (Canada) Group Inc. Gallagher Benefit Services, Inc. is a licensed insurance agency that does business in California as "Gallagher Benefit Services of California Insurance Services" and in Massachusetts as "Gallagher Benefit Insurance Services."

Neither Arthur J. Gallagher & Co., nor its affiliates provide accounting, legal or tax advice.



Insurance Risk Management Consulting