

# MENTAL HEALTH and BUSINESS RISKS

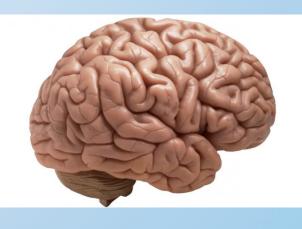
**New solutions in Russia** 

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# What is meant by Mentality?







## Mental Health

"Mental health is defined as a state of well-being in which every individual realizes his or her own potential, can cope with the normal stresses of life, can work productively and fruitfully, and is able to make a contribution to her or his community." (WHO, 2013)

"Behavioral health" is the preferred term to "mental health."





# What Issues Affect Mental Health?

- Increased stress level due to new life challenges
- Lack of needed skills and resources
- Emotional difficulties anxiety, depression
- Relationship issues
- Family issues
- Substance abuse and psychiatric disorders
- Financial and legal issues
- Workplace issues
- Work/Life Imbalance









Dread Health No Time Headache Fear

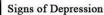
Bills Payments

Stress Debt

Time Managemen

Worry



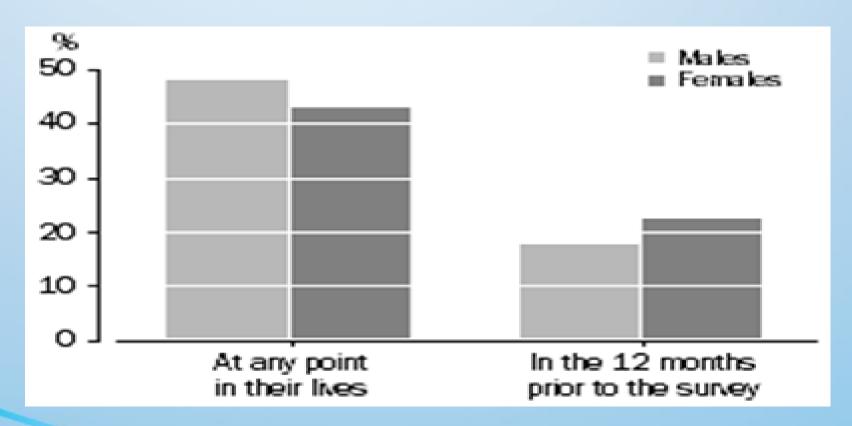


Trouble steeping
Trouble focusing
Apathy
Sadness
Irritability
Feelings of worthlessness
Detaching from friends
Appetite and weight
Low sex drive
Pain
Recklessness
Alcohol abuse
Drug abuse (prescription or other)
Suicidal tendencies



# Prevalence of Mental Health Disorders

http://www.abs.gov.au/AUSSTATS/abs@.nsf/Lookup/4102.0Main+Features30March%202009



<sup>\*</sup> Mood, Anxiety and Substance Use Disorders



# Poor Mental Health Leads to Poor Performance at Work

- Safety and security issues: accidents and injuries
- Loss of confidential information
- Improper business decisions; loss of opportunities
- Absenteeism and lack of presenteeism
- Turnover and loss of valuable workforce
- Time lost by Managers due to managing of impaired employees
- Low moral and increased employee conflicts
- Reduction of quality and failure to meet deadlines



# Costs to Business Worldwide

#### **Europe:**

- <u>Depression</u> costs European businesses nearly €100 billion each year. http://www.euractiv.com/health/depression-costs-european-busine-news-534130
- <u>Mental illness</u> is a leading cause of suffering, economic loss and social problems. It accounts for over 15% of the disease burden in developed countries, which is more than the disease burden caused by all cancers.
- In the EU at least 83 million people (27%) suffer from mental health problems (16.7 million in the UK).
- The most common mental health problem is **depression** which is experienced by 8–12% of the adult population.

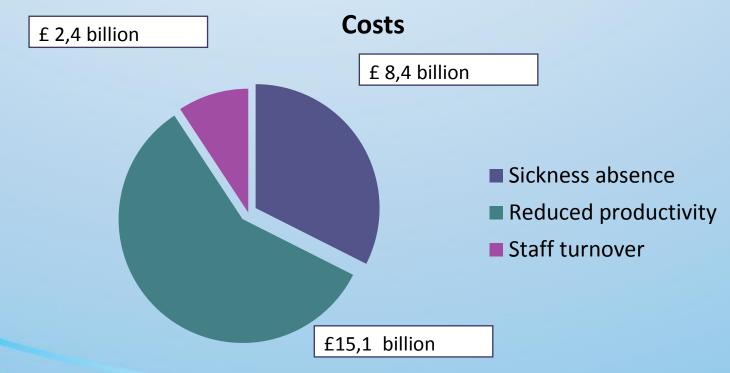
#### **USA**:

- <u>Mental illness and substance abuse</u> annually cost employers an estimated \$80 to \$100 billion in indirect costs alone. The good news is that treatment works. The majority (65% to 80%) of individuals with mental illness will improve with appropriate diagnosis, treatment, and ongoing monitoring. <a href="http://www.workplacementalhealth.org/Business-Case.aspx">http://www.workplacementalhealth.org/Business-Case.aspx</a>
- The cost of excessive alcohol consumption in the United States reached \$223.5 billion in 2006. The costs largely resulted from losses in workplace productivity (72% of the total cost), health care expenses for problems caused by excessive drinking (11% of total), law enforcement and other criminal justice expenses related to excessive alcohol consumption (9% of total), and motor vehicle crash costs from impaired driving (6% of the total). <a href="http://www.cdc.gov/features/alcoholconsumption/">http://www.cdc.gov/features/alcoholconsumption/</a>



# Costs of Business in UK

The total cost to employers of mental health problems among their staff is estimated at nearly £26 billion each year. That is equivalent to £1,035 for every employee in the UK workforce. The business costs of mental ill health are shown in Figure 1.





# Arrival of New Approach History of success

#### **Key events:**

- 1935 Foundation of **Alcoholics Anonymous** in USA.
- Recognition of destructive effects of excessive alcohol consumption on all aspects of safety and productivity of business as well as high prevalence of this behavior.
- 1940 **Workplace Alcohol Abuse Intervention Programs** –tools for improvement of safety and productivity through effective managerial referral to Workplace Interventionist. Referrals are based on performance issues and further referrals to AA for those who need it. (Up to 80% accepts referral).
- Results: increase of safety, productivity, prevention of problems, ability to retain valuable employees and reduce costs.
- Further expansion of such efforts to Australia, Canada, Europe, Latin America, Asia.
- Initial attempt to incorporate such approach in Russian industrial enterprise demonstrated success.





# From Alcohol Abuse to Mental Health Issues

#### **New concept:**

Other human issues also have negative impact on safety, productivity and business costs.

**Employee Assistance Programs**: easy access to professional counseling on wide range of everyday issues for all employees, direct family members and managers; trainings and informational services, legal and financial advice, etc.

About 98% of companies in English speaking world with employee headcount over 1000 utilize this service

Identify problem employees and provide help vs.



getting rid of them

# Specific Features of EAP and Other Workplace Efforts (for business)

- Supports the business goals
- Is utilized to support safety in the workplace
- Efficiency is manageable
- With proper implementation company may expect ROI due to reduction of costs



# Specific Features (for management)

- Managerial referral on the basis of performance issues: Effective tool to manage impaired employees
- Opportunity to provide help to those in need, keeping in frame of managerial job duties
- Trainings on managerial referrals to EAP
- Unlimited telephonic assistance in cases of interaction with impaired employees
- Regular utilization reports with recommendations on promotion of the services



# Specific Features (for employees)

- 24/7/365 free access to professional counseling services for all employees and direct family members
- Up to 5-6-10 consultations telephonic or f2f for each case
- Introductory sessions
- Financial and legal advice via telephone (1 consultation per case)
- Voluntarily utilization of services
- Strict confidentiality
- Feedback on efficiency







# Referrals To Services

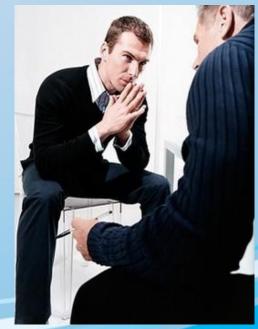
About 80% are self referrals:

**Prevention** of negative impact of personal issues on safety and productivity

Approximately 20% are managerial referrals:

The way to **help** most troubled employees who wouldn't reach out for help on their own





# EAP and Safety in the Workplace

- Highly utilized by companies concerned about Safety issues
- Helps employees with drug, alcohol and other mental health conditions problems in safety sensitive situations
- Utilized by companies around the world in many areas of industry including:

Energy

Manufacturing

**Transportation** 

Construction

**Financial Services** 

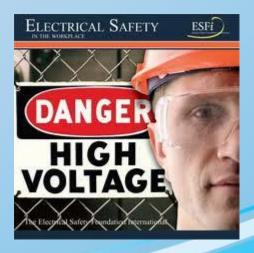
In some countries specific areas of industries are obliged to implement EAP











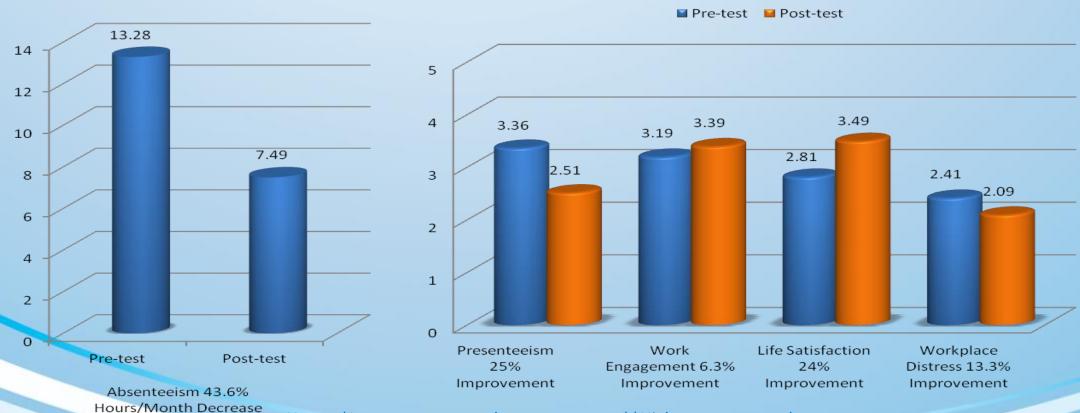
# Tools to Measure Results

#### Workplace Outcome Suite (WOS)

http://chestnutglobalpartners.org/wos



#### Sample "pooled" data from 20 WOS EAPs (N=3187)



Notes: \*Lower scores are a better outcome. \*\*Higher scores are a better outcome. All scales reflect statistically significant change (p<.0001).



# Other Workplace Programs

- Critical Incidents Response (CIR) at Workplace
- Biometrical Testing and Health Risk Assessment
- Smoking Cessation
- Expatriate Support Program
- Stress Management
- Workplace Wellness and Wellbeing Program















## EAP in Russia

- First EAP for International Bank in Russia, Ukraine and Kazakhstan started 2006
- Founding of Corporate Health, LLC in 2008 first Russian EAP provider
- Currently Corporate Health serves 72 companies in Russia, Kazakhstan, Ukraine, Azerbaijan, Belorussia.
- 2012-2013 implementation of first in Russia Workplace Alcohol Abuse Intervention Program for a big industrial enterprise in Urals
- New providers appeared in Russia in 2014 mostly due to winning global contracts for international companies operating in Russia





## Thank You For Your Attention!



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