

Change = Learning

Change of any size requires learning. Yet, not all learning produces the change desired. In this keynote you'll learn about what deep learning, the kind that changes behavior and thinking looks like and what it takes to design, support, and sustain it. View full session details >

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The creed Joellen lives by is: Excellence can be achieved if you...Care more than others think is wise...Risk more than others think is safe...Dream more than others think is practical...Expect more than others think is possible.

KEY TAKEAWAYS

Learning is a permanent change between thinking and behavior.

When we act differently, we think differently. What matters most is that we understand both must change for learning to take place so that we can ultimately implement the innovation we are trying to implement.



Change takes time Learning is a process

- Staff development without follow-up was typical practice and not conducive to change.
- We have the opportunity to assess practice and determine where we are headed.

Training ≠ Learning

Transactional v. Transformational

Knowing ≠ **Doing**

Know about vs. Apply/practice for results. Knowing something does not mean I'm doing something

Learning is a permanent change in thinking and behavior. If we aren't able to change attitudes, we can help alter and shift values and beliefs through developing understanding.

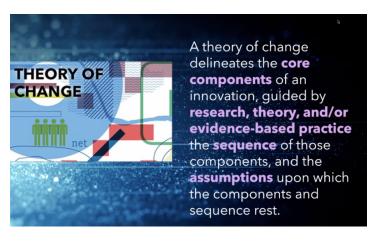
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Knowledge = Knowing what

Skill = Knowing how

- Aspiration is my desire, willingness, and motivation. Change without aspiration is likely short term.
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- Our theory of change we operate from may need to be altered to meet the needs of our audience.
- We must be sensitive to the thought that any change requires change at every level of the system. It is essential that if we expect one cohort to change, all of the elements are changing in parallel with the innovation we are striving to implement

- Do we know what we expect?
- We can lean into our resources to guide us in our learning and journey forward
- Transfer of practice to help us refine and adapt is important.



Behavioral rehearsal to shift practice Describe how Apply in simulated situations with reflection and feedback processes Apply in authentic situations with reflection and feedback processes Engage in ongoing reflection, assessment, and evaluation

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Reflection Questions

- How do we define learning?
- What are we doing to define, check, and change our assumptions?
- What is your theory of change for learning?

