## CRITICAL CONTROL LEADERSHIP & VERIFICATIONS:

OPERATIONALISING CRITICAL CONTROLS THROUGH IN-FIELD INTERACTIONS

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We acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the land on which we meet today and pay our respects to elders past and present. We extend that respect to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples here today. We do this because we value Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander history, culture and knowledge.

To change the lives of individuals and organisations for the better, every day.

# THE ABR MODEL



Critical risks and injury risks are both important, but each demand a different approach.

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### CRITICAL RISK MANAGEMENT (CRM)



### WHAT IS CRM?

A systematic and integrated approach to ensure critical controls are known, in-place and effective to eliminate SIF from our company.



WHY?

Because we care lives the lives of our people and the ripple effect that SIF event have when they do occur.

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# **UNDERPINNING PRINCIPLES OF CRM**



Most critical risks and controls are *already known* 



Most SIF events are associated with known controls **not** being fully implemented



Some controls are crucial to preventing SIF events and are the *"critical controls"* that must be in place



Less can be more



# WHAT CRM MATURITY DOES YOUR BUSINESS HAVE?

- 1. We haven't formally assessed our critical risks yet
- 2. We have risk registers and/or life-saving rules
- 3. We have used a methodological CRM approach to identify our critical controls
- 4. We have a CC verification process to test and improve critical control effectiveness in the field.

# SAFETY CULTURE MODEL



### THE SAFETY CULTURE MODEL & CRITICAL RISK



# SOME 'BRUTAL FACTS'





High risk work controls are not always **effective or fully enabled**. Local operational risk tolerance is often driven by **misaligned corporate systems.** 

\*28% involved workers and/or supervisors adjusting practices for local circumstances \*32% of control failures resulted from routine work practices that drifted over time

# DID WE SET OUR PEOPLE UP FOR SUCCESS?

**ENABLED:** Did they have the procedures, knowledge, skills, equipment and work environment to effectively implement the critical controls?

**DIFFICULT:** Can the task be controlled but takes extra effort or increased resources? Are the local conditions and operating context prompting a 'work around'?

**NON-ENABLED:** Is it reasonable to expect the person to be able to control the risk in the context of local or organisational factors?

# **CONSIDER THIS...**





of critical controls were in some way **difficult to implement** for the worker of control failures involved intentional **'workarounds'** by the worker

A review of 168 serious incidents\* across multiple industry sectors in 2020/2021 revealed 49% of control failures involved intentional 'workarounds' by workers.



<sup>©</sup> Incident Analytics 2020

# CRITICAL CONTROL VERIFICATIONS

# CRITICAL CONTROL VERIFICATIONS (CCV)

- In-field observation and engagement to:
  - Verify critical controls are in place and working
  - Recognise and reinforce safe behaviours
  - Identify CRM system improvements
- For tasks involving a critical (SIF) risk
- Done at the location and in the moment
- Using a standardised checklist.
- Recorded in system to enable analysis
- Occur as part of normal leader routines



# FRAMES AROUND 'HOW WORK IS DONE'



# **CCVS WITH THE BRAIN IN MIND**



# **CRM SYSTEM DESIGN**



# DAY IN THE LIFE OF...



**Critical control** 





# INTERPERSONAL COMMUNICATION STRATEGIES

## WHAT 'THREAT' FRAMES MIGHT EXIST?





# WHAT FRAMES DO YOUR TEAMS HAVE AROUND LEADERS ENGAGING WITH THE FRONTLINE?

- 1. The Safety (Fun) Police are coming
- 2. It's just a KPI exercise
- 3. They are happening ok, but no real learnings or feedback
- 4. It is a positive learning experience with system improvements that are shared across the organisation

# WHAT IS YOUR CCV PITCH AS A CCV COACH?



Adapted from Simon Sinek's Golden Circle

# **HOW WE RESPOND MATTERS**



### FOCUS ON WHAT IS WORKING WELL

Seize every opportunity to understand how the work has gone well and recognise and reinforce positive outcomes (e.g., behaviours).



### **DISCUSS THE GAPS**

Seek to understand why the control was absent or compromised? Recognise that every "Red" is a learning. Collaborate on what fixes to implement.



### **OFFER ASSISTANCE**

Ask what help may they may need. Ensure front line feel supported.

# **MEASURES OF SUCCESS**



OUTCOMES

Reduction in actual SIF frequency (particularly repeat incidents)

Continuous Improvement of the CRM system



### PERFORMANCE

**CR Leading Indicator** 

Increased effectiveness of critical controls (i.e. enabling)

Increased understanding of critical risks and critical controls

Quality and coverage of verifications

Actions to close gaps in critical risk exposure

Sharing of insights and learnings

#### **DISCOVER MORE**

### **Operationalising Critical Controls through in-field interactions**



Would you like a copy of Sentis' Critical Control Assurance White Paper and the option to book a meeting to find out more on Critical Control Verifications?

### Express your interest

# Get in touch

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