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Providing the Tools to Succeed & Lead – Developing a Leadership Certificate Program

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| Learning Objectives

At the end of this session, participants should be able to:

1. Recognize an example of an informal leadership development program
2. Recall the structure and content provided with the I-LEAD program
3. Identify the benefits and potential results from implementing an informal leadership development program

Are we experiencing a Leadership Crisis?

Are we in a leadership crisis?

2005 | “Will there be a leadership crisis?”

- 2005, Sara White first brought a potential crisis to light
- Noted a high number of pharmacy directors and managers planning to retire in the next 10 years
- Identified a lack of leadership trained pharmacists to step into these roles

2013 | Seven-year follow-up

- ASHP Foundation created Pharmacy Leadership Academy
- 2011 ASHP released “Leadership as a professional obligation”
- 2009 recession may have slowed or delayed retirements

Sources: White, SJ. Will there be a pharmacy leadership crisis? An ASHP Foundation Scholar-In-Residence report. Am J Health-Syst Pharm. 2005;62:845–55.

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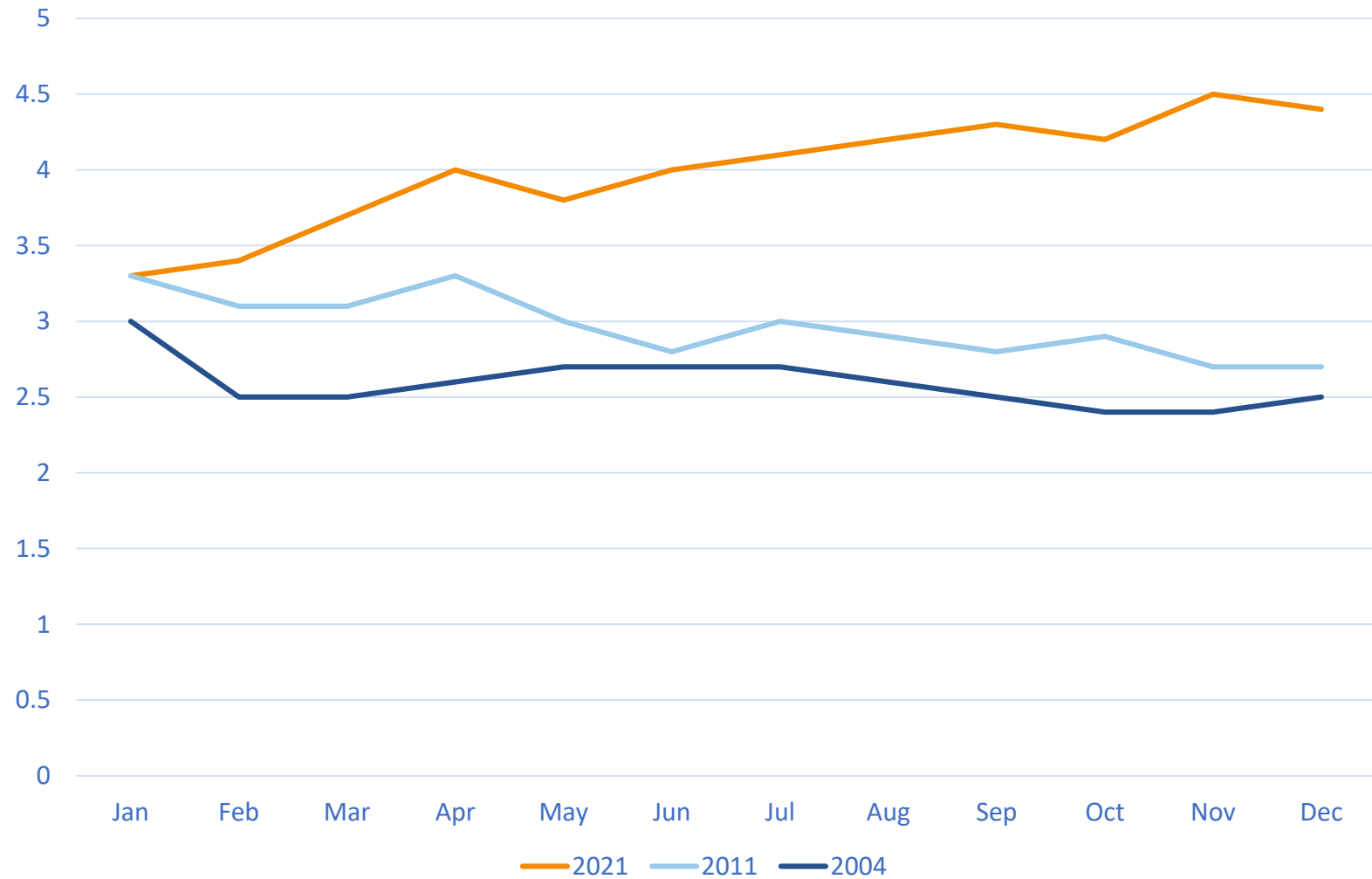
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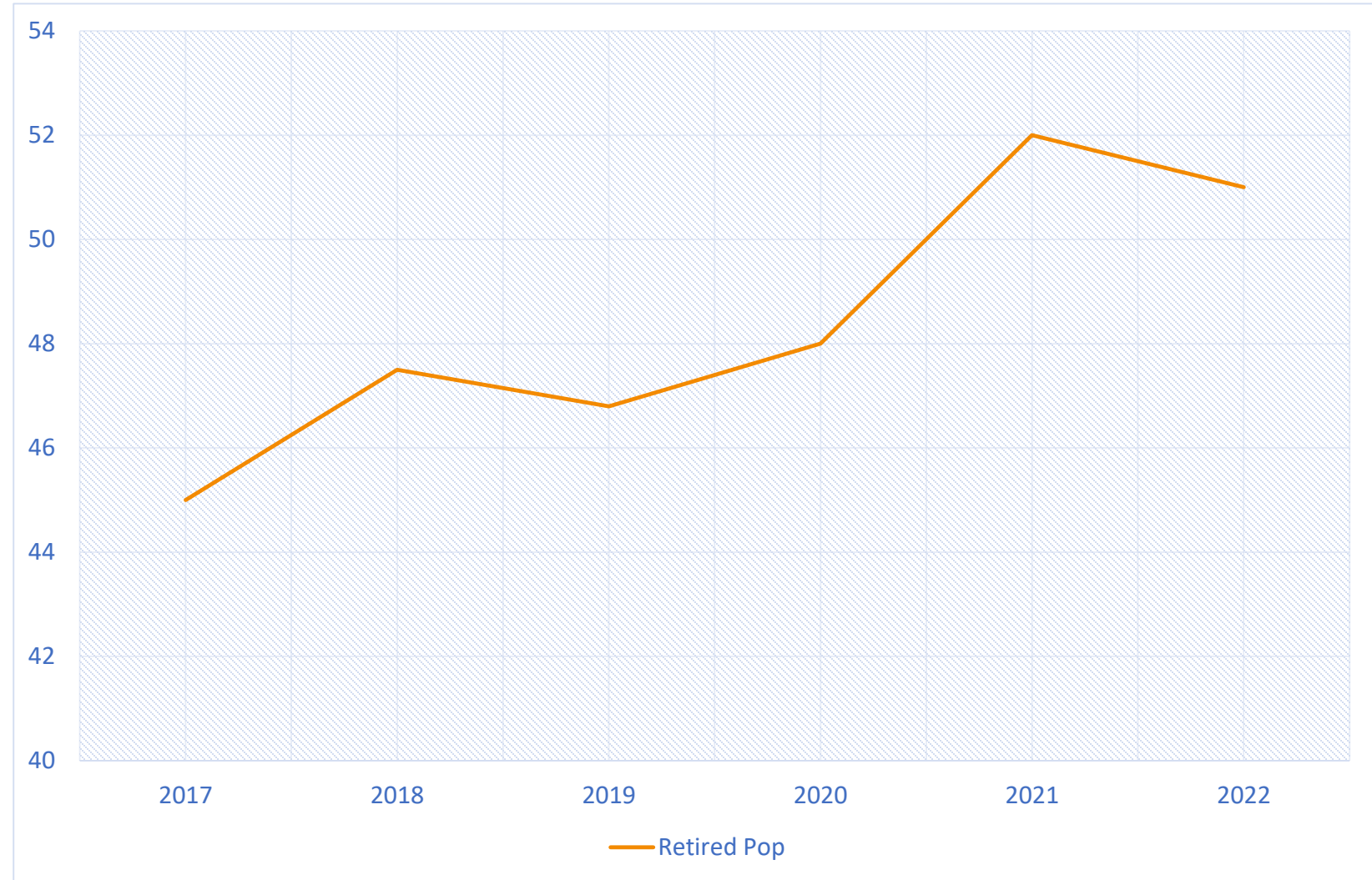
The last 10 months of 2021 have seen the greatest exodus of employees on record



Source: US Bureau of Labor Statistics, Job Openings and Labor Turnover Survey. www.hhrm.org

Retired population falls as the labor market heats up

U.S. retired population



Source: US Bureau of Labor Statistics, Job Openings and Labor Turnover Survey. www.washingtonpost.com

| Are we in a Pharmacy Technician leadership crisis?

- Recent ASHP Technician Survey Reported
 - Tech turnover rates ~ 21%
 - 1 in 10 administrators had lost 41% or more of their technicians in 2021
 - 9 out of 10 used a pharmacist to complete Technician job functions
 - 25% of techs noted a desire for a career ladder with clear pathways for promotion
- Expansion of Technician Roles
 - Population Health
 - Specialty Pharmacy
 - Amazon
 - Medication Access



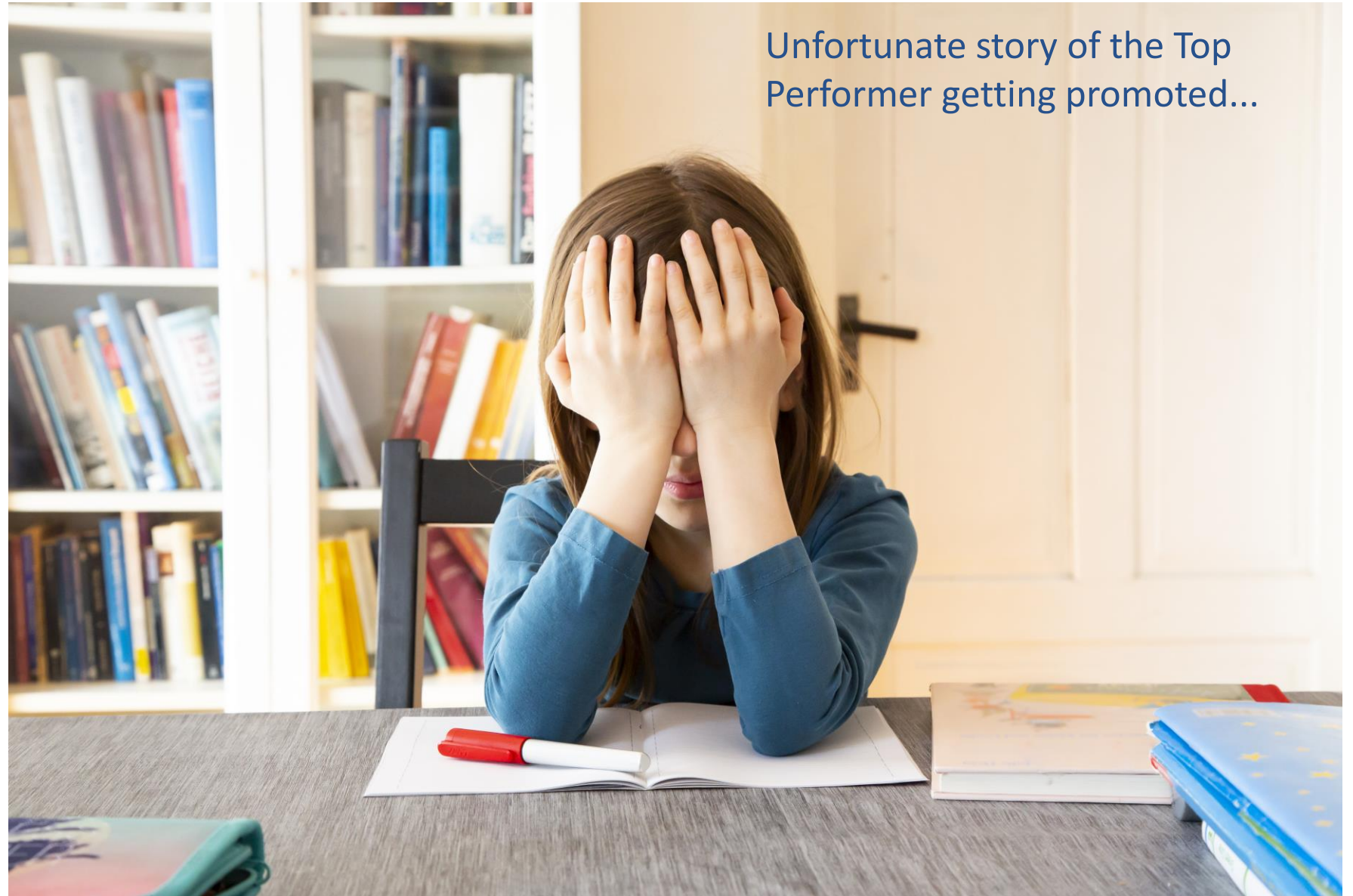
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Do we really
need more
leadership
training?



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Our Goal

Help You Identify or Design Leadership Training That Works

- Synchronous & Asynchronous Activities
- Community of Learners
- Mentor-Mentee 1:1 Feedback
- Ongoing Formative Feedback



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Organizational Need for Leadership Development

Sarah Hogue



MY LEADERSHIP JOURNEY

- Many leadership roles throughout life
- Administration rotations during training
 - APPE
 - PGY-1 Residency
 - PGY-2 Residency
- Lead pharmacist at St. Vincent Frontier Cancer Center
- Lead Research Pharmacist at St. Luke's
- Manager Oncology Pharmacy at St. Luke's
- Director Oncology Pharmacy at St. Luke's



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Leadership Training

- Leading at Luke's
 - 6-week, self-directed, online leadership training for new leaders at St. Luke's
 - Must be in a leadership position to be eligible
 - Completed August 2019
- I-LEAD program
 - Completed August 2021



Need for leadership training at St. Luke's

- Significant pharmacy growth over the past 5 years
 - Large population growth in Boise and surrounding areas
 - Expanded pharmacy services
 - ✓ Ambulatory care
 - ✓ Acute care
 - ✓ Medication access
 - ✓ Medication historians
 - ✓ Specialty pharmacy
 - ✓ New PGY-2 ED residency program
 - ✓ Many more



A CASE OF NEED

- At system pharmacy leadership meeting
- Another pharmacy leader came up to me asking for advice
- The technician supervisor for her department was leaving the organization and she was concerned for her department
- She has a couple of people on her team with aspirations for leadership – but no leadership experience or training
- The big question comes up:



Do we search for external candidates with leadership experience/training?

OR

Do we grow & develop leaders from within?

THE BIG QUESTIONS

| How do you choose?

External Candidates

Pros

- Leadership experience
- “Fresh” eyes and ideas
- No need to backfill

Cons

- New to the organization
 - Do not know current workflows
 - Will need training and onboarding
- Need to build trust with the team

Internal Candidates

Pros

- Understand current workflows
- Has the trust of the team
- Provides growth opportunities
 - ↑ Employee satisfaction
 - ↑ Employee retention

Cons

- No leadership experience
 - Need guidance and mentorship
- Need to backfill their current role
 - Work 2 roles for a time?



| The BIGGER Questions

Do we search for external candidates with leadership experience/training?

Do these candidates exist?

Do we grow and develop leaders from within?

How do we do this successfully?



Need for Leadership Training at St. Luke's

What we found:

- Lack of qualified external candidates
- Internal candidates looking for leadership opportunities
- Desire from current leadership to develop our own

Key Questions in Developing New Leaders



HOW DO YOU MAKE IT
MEANINGFUL?



HOW DO ASPIRING OR CURRENT
LEADERS ACCESS THE PROGRAM?



WHAT DOES A SUCCESSFUL
PROGRAM LOOK LIKE?



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Creation & Design of I-LEAD

Rob Wills

| The Need to Lead

5 years ago...

1. Local Pharmacy Society in Leadership Crisis
2. Clinical Pharmacists looking to advance at their institutions

Proposal: Could we create a low-cost certificate program that would:

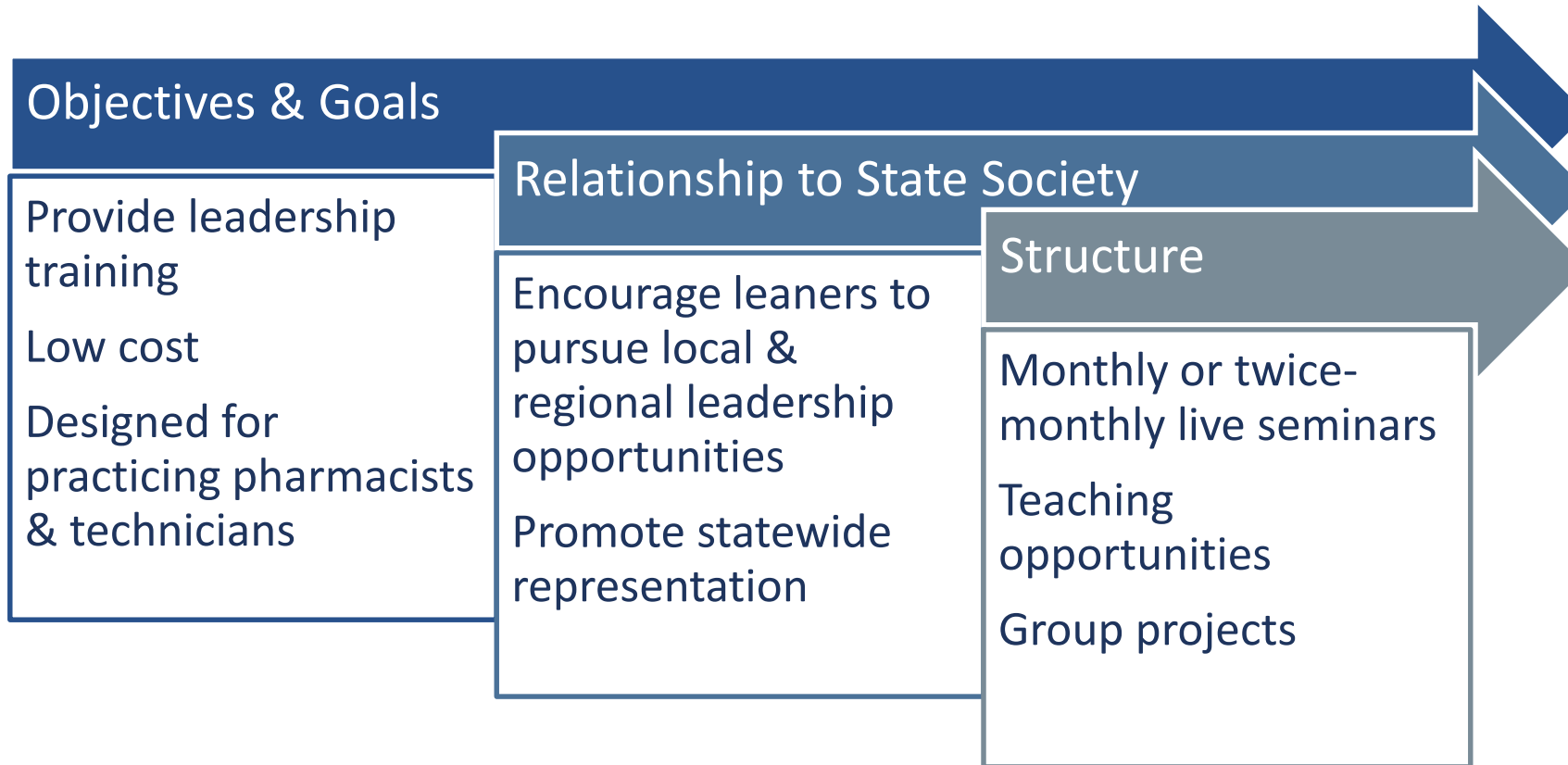
- Provide training
- Connect pharmacists and technicians with current leaders
- Provide a foothold toward a formal degree (MBA, MHA, etc.)



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Leadership Task Force

Develop an Organizational Leadership Certificate Program



Structure & Design

Leading Self	Leading Others	Leading Organizations	Leading With Strategy & Influence
Self-awareness	Relationship Management	Strategic Leadership	Clinical Leadership
Emotional Intelligence	Developing Culture	Advocacy	Teaching
Strengthsfinder/DiSC assessments	Communication	Innovation	Leading Change

Source: Wills, R., Hunt, L., Oswald, C., Mason, B., Crawford, L. <https://doi.org/10.1093/ajhp/zxac093> Am J Health-Syst Pharm, 2022

| What is I-LEAD?



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Leadership Certificate Program
for practicing Pharmacists & Technicians

Idaho Society of Health System
Pharmacists

Idaho State University College of
Pharmacy

Regional Representation from across Idaho

I-LEAD Mentor

Each Fellow Must Choose a Mentor

Mentor/Mentee

Meetings

- Initial meeting:
 - ✓ Structured
 - ✓ Sets mutual expectations
- Recurrent meetings:
 - ✓ Frequency and duration up to the specific mentor/mentee pair

Required item for I-LEAD	Mentor Involvement Idea
Self-study with recommended/required readings	Share and discuss an article/book passage
Online discussion threads	Discuss a thread topic that had an impact on the way you will lead
Live seminars	Share and expand on a key point of a seminar
ISHP meeting presentation	Do a practice session with feedback
ISHP committee rotations	Reflect on the committee experience
ISHP committee projects	Have mentor review write-ups/project process/etc.
ISHP newsletter submission	Mentor can review and provide feedback
Leadership portfolio	Mentor can review and provide feedback

Connection Was Key

Community of Learners

Began Year with Leadership Retreat

- Orientation to I-LEAD & ISHP
- Committee requirements
- Projects
- Creation of Leadership Portfolio



12-Month Program

- Twice Monthly Seminars
- Major Group Project – ISHP Communication/Social Media Strategy
- ISHP Committee Assignments
- ISU Certificate of Participation (COP) Leadership Course Presentation
- Portfolio Development
- Certificate can be used toward university credit



Twice Monthly Seminars

Combination didactic & discussion based

Initially we had one seminar/topic per month & three learning domains

- Leading self
- Leading others
- Leading organizations

Beginning year-3

- Increased to twice monthly seminars
 - Four learning domains
- Added Leading with Strategy & Influence

Month	2018-2019 Monthly	2020-2021 Bimonthly
September	Fall Conference – Orientation & Retreat at ISHP Fall Meeting	Orientation, Leadership Philosophy/Personal Branding, ISHP Fall Meeting (virtual)
October	Leadership 101	Crisis Management, Strategic Planning
November	Organizational Crisis Management	Leadership Book Club (Growing Influence by Ron Price and Stacy Ennis ⁴⁰)
December	Leadership Book Club (Start with Why by Simon Sinek ³⁶)	Developing your Mission, Vision, and Values
January	Leadership Book Club (Dare to Lead by Brene Brown ³⁷)	Leading Organizations
February	EDGE Leadership*	Leadership Book Club (Leading Without Authority by Keith Ferrazzi ⁴¹)
March	Leading with Influence	Importance of Self-awareness
April	ISHP Spring Conference	Personal Boundary Setting/Managing Self
May	Leadership Book Club (Insight by Tasha Eurich ³⁹)	Fellow-led Leadership Podcast Club
June	Leading Teams	Leading Others, Building Safety/New Employee Onboarding
July	Decision Making	Leadership Book Club (Culture Code by Daniel Coyle ⁴²)
August	Continued Education Opportunities (MBA, MHA)	Leader in the News Reviews, Continued Education Opportunities (MBA, MHA)

| Leadership Book Club

Two to three titles per year

- Typically, one book per domain
- Examples include:
 - **Leading Self**
 - *Insight* by Tasha Eurich
 - *Dare to Lead* by Brene Brown
 - **Leading Others**
 - *Start With Why* by Simon Sinek
 - **Leading Organizations**
 - *Culture Code* by Daniel Coyle
 - **Leading With Strategy & Influence**
 - *Growing Influence* by Ron Price & Stacy Ennis



Idaho State University College of Pharmacy

Leadership & Advocacy Elective (PHAR 4499)

I-LEAD Fellows Present one
of the leadership topics to
pharmacy students

Date	Topic
Week 2 Wed. Sept 1	Relationship Building
Week 5 Wed. Sept 22	Project Management
Week 9 Wed. Oct 20	Time management
Week 10 Wed. Oct 27	Pharmacy Advocacy
Week 11 Wed. Nov 3	Conflict Management
Week 13 Wed. Nov 17	Imposter Syndrome



Fellows	Fellow 1	Fellow 2	Fellow 3	Fellow 4	Fellow 5	Fellow 6
Active Committee Member/Complete at least one project for each committee						
Oct – Mar committee	Education	Education	Professional Relations/ IPREF	Financial/ Budget	Professional Relations	Professional Relations
Apr – Sep committee	Professional Relations/ IPREF	Financial/ Budget	Education	Professional Relations	Education	Education
Quarterly task						
Oct-Dec (Qtr. 1)	Newsletter Ed	Financial	Website idea	Policy review	Newsletter Ed	Website Idea
Jan-Mar (Qtr. 2)	Website idea	Newsletter Ed	Financial	Website idea	Policy review	Newsletter Ed
Apr-Jun (Qtr. 3)	Policy review	Website idea	Newsletter Ed	Financial	Financial	Policy review
Jul-Sep (Qtr. 4)	Financial	Policy review	Policy review	Newsletter Ed	Website idea	Financial



Active Learning



Mentee-Mentor



Concepts & Tools

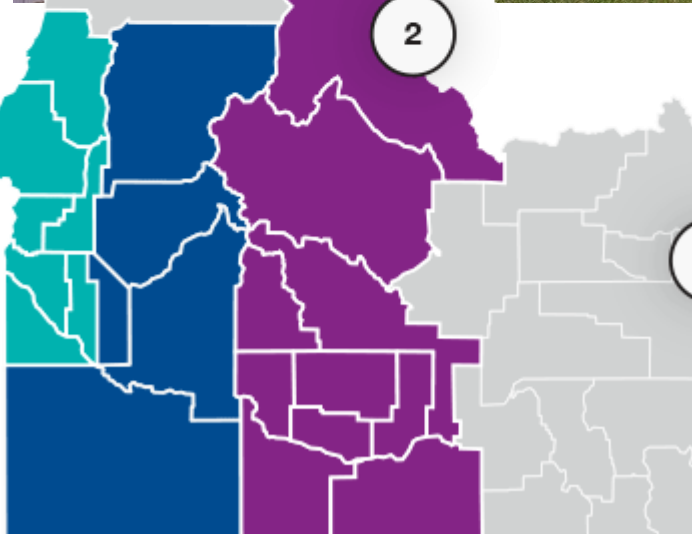


Community of Learners



Technician Leadership Development

Jessica Whipkey



My Technician Journey

- Pharmacy Technician Program
 - Modesto Junior College – 12-month program
- Inpatient Pharmacy Technician
 - Doctors Medical Center – 7 years
- Oncology Pharmacy Technician
 - St. Luke's Cancer Institute – 2 years
- Supervisor Pharmacy Technician Resource Pool
 - St. Luke's Health System – Current

| Additional Certifications

CPhT-Adv 2021

CSPT 2021

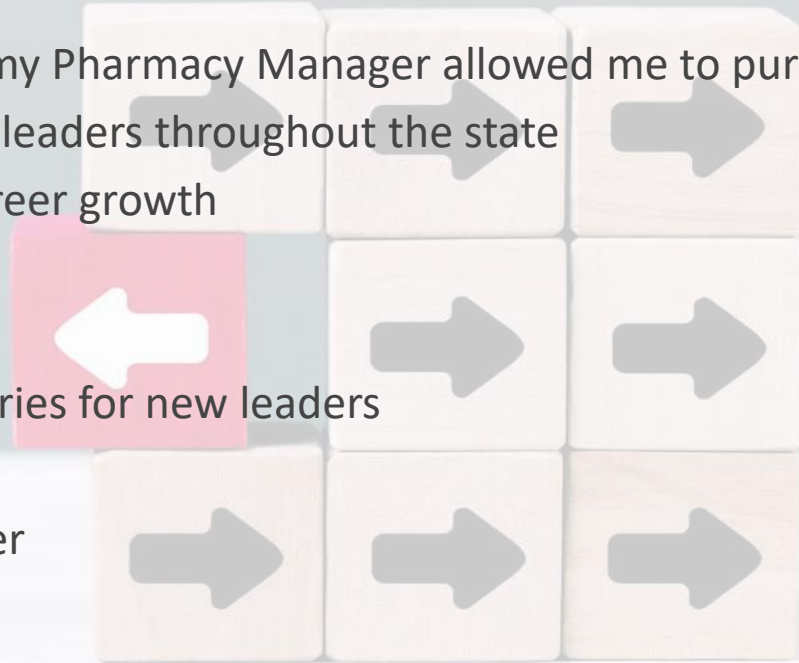
Technician Product Verification Certificate 2021

Hazardous Drug Management Certificate 2020

Immunization Administration Certificate 2020

| My Leadership Journey

- ILEAD Fellowship 2020–2021
 - Support & Encouragement from my Pharmacy Manager allowed me to pursue leadership path
 - Connections built with respected leaders throughout the state
 - Mentorship provided allowing career growth
 - Leadership Portfolio developed
- Catalyst
 - SLHS Leadership Development Series for new leaders
 - 10-week online program
 - Nominated by HR Business Partner
 - Completed June 2022
- Vendor On-demand training
 - SLHS Leader Learning Platform
 - Develops Leadership Competencies with accessible resources
- Mentee/Mentorship Relationships



Pharmacy Technician Resource Pool Supervisor

- *Resource Pool is used to cover vacancies from PTO, FMLA, unexpected ESL*
- *Prevents 8–12-week gap in coverage while training and allows teams to provide additional training to current employees*

My Current Role

PHARMACY TECHNICIAN RESOURCE POOL

- SLHS created the Pharmacy Resource Pool to assist with our retention numbers as we began to see a trend in technicians looking for new placements.
- The Resource Pool allows employees and sites to “test drive” the fit before transfer. It works as an on-the-job interview.

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My duties & responsibilities



Currently own the Interviews, Hiring, Onboarding & Technician Development for new hires within our Treasure Valley.



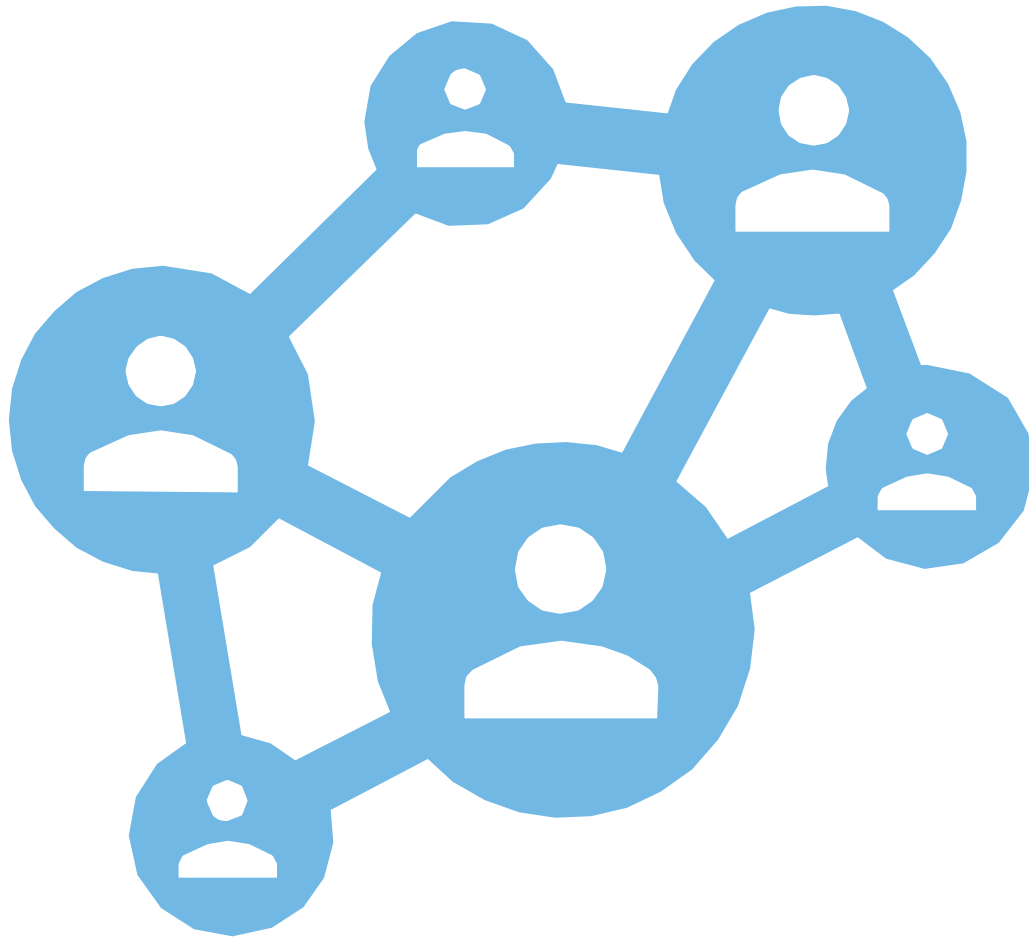
Assist new hires on navigating through SLHS while trying to find the perfect placement.



Assist our Outpatient, Acute, Oncology & Specialty teams with staffing.



22 facilities have access to the Resource Pool Technicians.



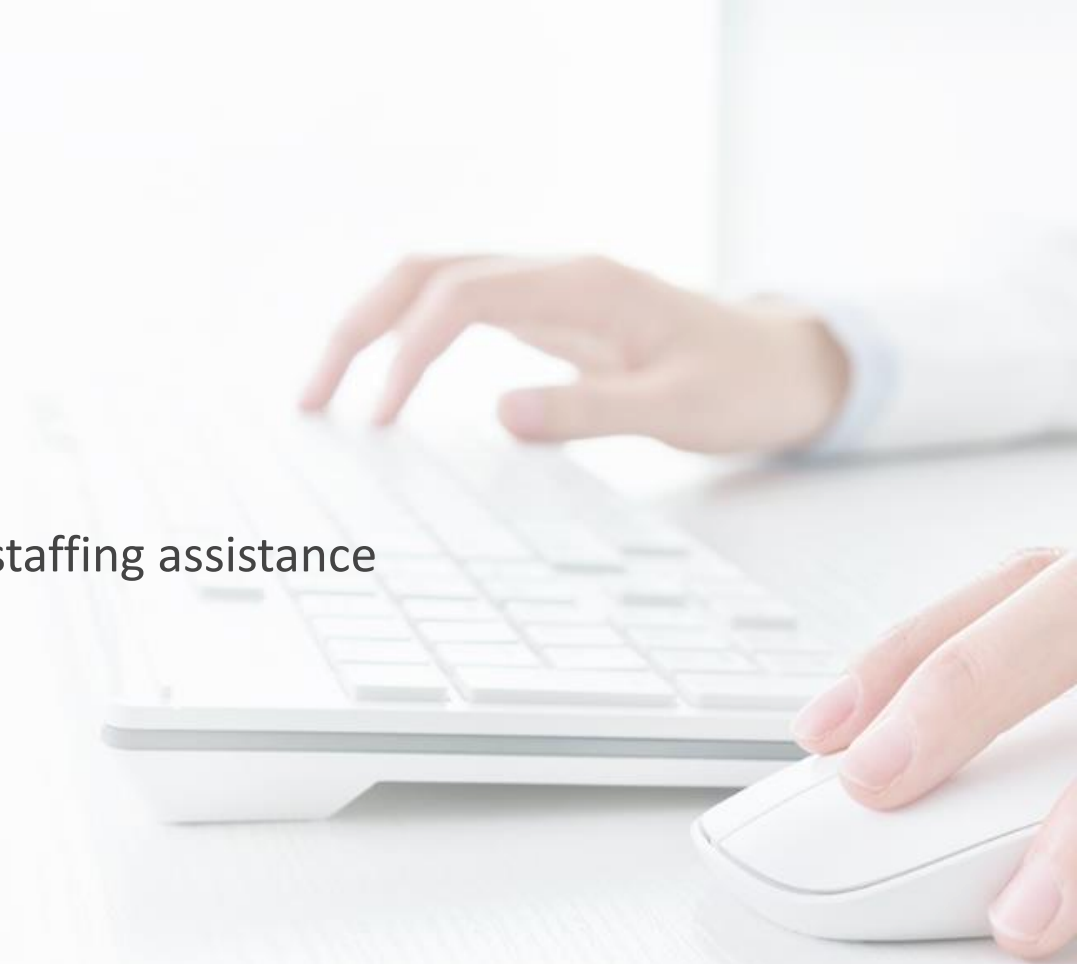
BY THE NUMBERS

- Hired 48 Technicians
- Interviewed 100+ Technicians
 - Created interview panels with standing groups to represent all sites
 - Virtual interviews to allow panel members across different sites to attend
 - Survey forms utilized for feedback
- Strong time management needed for productivity
- Relationship building required for connection & networking

| Keys to Success: Onboarding

The First 90 Days in our System

- Day one: New Employee Orientation
- First week: Talent Learning Center. Required Educations
- Week 2: Sign off “Getting Started Core Checklist”
- Weeks 2-6: Training rotation at pharmacy projected to need staffing assistance
- Weekly check-ins w/ supervisor. Traveling required
- Onsite preceptor for training rotation
- 30-/60-/90-day formal check-ins
- 90-day competencies per each area of pharmacy
- Mentorship to support team bonding
- The time required to post, interview, hire and onboard is removed off of the site managers



RECRUITING THROUGH TEXT MESSAGING CAMPAIGNS

- Utilize resources available with our state board to create text message campaigns.
- Utilize platforms available with in our recruitment team (Facebook, Instagram, Indeed, Job Fairs, etc.).

Recently piloted this when our Medication Historian Team needed to expand 10 technicians in a few short weeks



Take-Aways From My Leadership Journey

The skills acquired through my Leadership Certificate Program prepared me for success in my current role.

Communications

- Knowing the key team players for getting things accomplished
- Learning communication styles to assist each employee in a way that meets their needs
- Self awareness in how I am being perceived
- Empathy in difficult situations

Strategic Thinking

- Developing a vision to build something new
- Learned the ability to assess challenges in a way that didn't bring stress to our teams
- Learned how to advocate for new hires and employees looking for growth opportunities
- Innovation in new roles

Employee Management

- Scheduling a staff of 15–20 technicians rotating through different sites
- Developing a culture to support our values
- Relationship management between site coordinators
- Leading change with our technician job scope

Mentee/Mentorship

Mentorship Influence

Benefits I received from Mentee/Mentorship



Increased self-
confidence



Increased self-
awareness



Improved
productivity



Improved time
management



Personal &
Professional
Development



Cost-effective
Leadership
Training



Networking
Opportunities

| Mentorship Opportunities for New & Seasoned Leaders

- Share knowledge, skills & expertise
- Be a positive role model
- Be interested in the individual
- Set professional goals
- Exhibit enthusiasm in their development & career
- Value continuing education
- Provide guidance and constructive feedback
- Offer reflective listening & empathy
- Promote team building & positive team culture



Key Takeaways

Takeaways

Establishing a low cost, local certificate program helped

Connect

- Local aspiring leaders with current leaders

Reduce barriers

- To leadership training and development

Strengthen

- Area hospitals & institutions & the state pharmacy society with new & engaged leaders

| What You Can Do to Create Your Own I-LEAD



Collaborate

Consider partnering with other area institutions or state societies to collaborate on design & structure



Seek out

Connect with current local leaders who can speak on different topic areas



Start small

Find 5 to 6 individuals who are interested in taking part in helping to develop the initial pilot year

| Have a Growth Mindset

Have fun & be flexible

Learn	Learn from what works
Assess	Have learners provide feedback at the end of the year
Incorporate	Use feedback as your guide to developing the next year
Invite	Invite past graduates back to speak or act as mentors
Create	Create a safe space

Assessment Question #1 of 3

True or false: An informal leadership development program is a program that is typically developed outside of a formal university or college setting.

Assessment Question 1:

True or false: An informal leadership development program is a program that is typically developed outside of a formal university or college setting.

Assessment Question #2 of 3

Which of the following are learning domains covered in the I-LEAD program:

- a) Leading self
- b) Leading others
- c) Leading organizations
- d) Leading with strategy & influence
- e) All of the above

Assessment Question 2:

Which of the following are learning domains covered in the I-LEAD program:

- a) Leading self
- b) Leading others
- c) Leading organizations
- d) Leading with strategy & influence
- e) All of the above

Assessment Question #3 of 3

What are potential benefits from implementing an informal leadership development program?

- a) Easier access to learning
- b) In some cases, lower costs
- c) Networking with local leaders
- d) Flexibility in structure
- e) All of the above

Assessment Question 3:

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