

Georgia Department of Human Services

Division of Family and Children Services (DFCS) 2017 Employee Engagement and Satisfaction *Virginia "Ginger" Pryor Interim Director, DFCS*

Vision, Mission and Core Values

Vision

Stronger Families for a Stronger Georgia.

Mission

Strengthen Georgia by providing Individuals and Families access to services that promote selfsufficiency, independence, and protect Georgia's vulnerable children and adults.

Core Values

- Provide access to resources that offer support and empower Georgians and their families.
- Deliver services professionally and treat all clients with dignity and respect.
- Manage business operations effectively and efficiently by aligning resources across the agency.
- Promote accountability, transparency and quality in all services we deliver and programs we administer.
- Develop our employees at all levels of the agency.



What we measured

Employee Perceptions of the Workplace
Employee Satisfaction
Employee Engagement
DFCS Commitment to Customer Service



Demographics provided by DFCS

• Field or HQ ○ Region **○**CWS OOF Supervisory Status oAge **○**Tenure Educational Level oGender ○Race ○County



Workplace Quality





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Trust

Benefits Two Views



- More qualified job applications
- Lower level of turnover
- Higher levels of customer satisfaction and customer loyalty
- Greater innovation, creativity and risk taking
- Higher productivity
- Higher profitability
- Reduced health care costs

- Lower level of turnover
- Lower absenteeism
- Higher levels of customer satisfaction and customer loyalty
- Greater innovation, creativity and risk taking
- Higher productivity
- Higher profitability
- Safer



Workplace Quality Measure





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Employee Satisfaction 3 Item Measure





Employee Engagement Scoring Method









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Participants by Region 1-7





Participants by Region 8-14





Participants by Services (%)





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2017 Overall Summary

Employee Satisfaction = 71%
Workplace Quality =71 %
Engaged = 27%
Somewhat Engaged = 69%
Not Engaged = 4%



Satisfaction & Workplace Quality





Commitment to Customer Service









Engagement Groups

	Not Engaged	Somewhat Engaged	Engaged
Employee Satisfaction	32%	67%	89%
Workplace Quality	33%	67%	88%
Credibility	26%	61%	87%
Fairness	35%	66%	87%
Respect	33%	65%	86%
Pride	40%	73%	89%
Camaraderie	33%	68%	88%
Customer Service Importance	69%	86%	95%
CSC Index	47%	75%	89%



Employee Satisfaction Index¹

	Not Engaged	Somewhat Engaged	Engaged
Employee Satisfaction Index	32%	67%	89%
I recommend my organization as a good place to work	23%	62%	86%
I am proud to work for my organization	32%	66%	88%
I am satisfied with my job	42%	73%	92%

¹Mean score has been indexed to 100%



Customer Service Commitment Index¹

	Not Engaged	Somewhat Engaged	Engaged
Customer Service Commitment	47%	75%	89%
I have the tools needed to meet the needs of customers' service expectations	45%	75%	90%
The organization does a reasonable job of managing customers' service expectations	43%	73%	87%
My organization has made changes to improve service to customers	61%	78%	89%
I have the knowledge needed to meet the needs of customers' service expectations	52%	77%	90%
I have the ability to make decisions to meet customers' service expectations	37%	71%	88%

¹Mean score has been indexed to 100%



Following Analysis

Between Somewhat Engaged and Engaged Employee Groups Only 4% are Not Engaged BUT... 69% are Somewhat Engaged Fixing problems with the Somewhat Engaged Group offers huge

payoff



Workplace Quality Where is Thinking Most Similar?

Survey Item	Somewhat Engaged	Engaged	Difference
I believe I make a meaningful contribution here	4.0	4.7	.6
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I feel physically safe working here	3.7	4.4	.7
Sexual orientation is not a factor in how employees are			
treated	3.8	4.6	.7
I am proud of how we contribute to Georgia			
communities	3.8	4.6	.8
Employees here go the extra mile to get things done	3.5	4.4	.8
I have the tools and knowledge needed to succeed in			
my job	3.5	4.4	.8



Workplace Quality Where is Thinking Most Similar?

Survey Item	Somewhat Engaged	Engaged	Difference
I genuinely enjoy my work	3.7	4.6	.9
When employees change jobs or work units, they are made to feel welcome	3.4	4.3	.9
Gender is not a factor in how employees are treated	3.7	4.6	.9
I have an opportunity to get a better job in state government	3.1	4.0	.9
I am proud of our achievements as an organization	3.6	4.5	.9
I am proud of our achievements as a work group	3.7	4.6	.9



Workplace Quality Where is Thinking Most Similar?

Survey Item	Somewhat Engaged	Engaged	Difference
Management trusts me to do a good job without too			
much supervision	3.7	4.6	.9
Race is not a factor in how employees are treated	3.6	4.5	.9
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I feel comfortable being myself at work	3.6	4.6	.9
I have adequate authority to make decisions related			
to my work	3.4	4.4	.9
Honest mistakes are considered an opportunity to	3 /	ΛΛ	Q
learn	3.4	4.4	.9



Workplace Quality Where does Thinking Differ Most?

SomewhatSomewhatSurvey ItemEngagedEngaged	
ment leads by example actions match its words 2.8 4.3	2.8 4.3 1.6
ent cares about me as a person not just as an employee 2.9 4.4	2.9 4.4 1.5
ement does not have favorite employees 2.5 4.0	2.5 4.0 1.5
ment keeps its word doesn't make empty promises 2.8 4.2	2.8 4.2 1.4
ment is honest and ethical in organization's business matters 3.0 4.4	3.0 4.4 1.4
gement has the skills and knowledge to	3.1 4.5 1.4
promises2.84.2ment is honest and ethical in organization's business matters3.04.4	3.0 4.4 1



Workplace Quality Where does Thinking Differ Most?

Survey Item	Somewhat Engaged	Engaged	Difference
Promotions are earned, not given to favorite employees	2.7	4.0	1.4
Everyone is a full member of the team regardless of			
their position	3.0	4.4	1.4
Management expectations are clear	3.1	4.4	1.3
Management does a good job of matching individuals and teams to jobs	2.8	4.1	1.3
Management recognizes employees for doing an exceptional job	3.0	4.3	1.3
Management is easy to get to and talk with	3.1	4.4	1.3



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Workplace Quality Where does Thinking Differ Most?

Survey Item	Somewhat Engaged	Engaged	Difference
Management gives an honest answer to a reasonable			
question	3.1	4.4	1.3
Management shares information with me about important matters and changes	3.2	4.4	1.2
Management supports my need to balance work and family issues	3.3	4.5	1.2
Management has a vision of where the organization is going and how to get there	3.1	4.3	1.2
I want to work here for the remainder of my career	3.2	4.3	1.2
I feel like I'm part of a team	3.4	4.5	1.2



Workplace Quality Improvement Targets By Dimension

Credibility	Management leads by example actions match its words
Credibility	Management keeps its word doesn't make empty promises
Credibility	Management does a good job of matching individuals and teams to jobs
Credibility	Management has the skills and knowledge to successfully lead the organization
Credibility	Management is honest and ethical in organization's business matters
Credibility	Management gives an honest answer to a reasonable question
Credibility	Management is easy to get to and talk with



Workplace Quality Improvement Targets By Dimension continued

Credibility	Management expectations are clear
Credibility	Management shares information with me about important matters and changes
Respect	Management cares about me as a person not just as an employee
Respect	Management recognizes employees for doing an exceptional job
Camaraderie	Everyone is a full member of the team regardless of their position
Fairness	Management does not have favorite employees
Fairness	Promotions are earned, not given to favorite employees



Changes you want DFCS to make during the next year

Changes you want DFCS to make during the next year using an Importance scale from to 5 (Essential)	1 (Not Important)
Reduce individual workloads (hire more people; focus on training and retaining staff)	4.6
Recognize employee contributions (rewards for excellent service, incentives for meeting goals)	4.4
Provide more opportunities for professional development (training and advancement)	4.4
Improve managerial transparency (better communications regarding policies, decision making, agency priorities, and process improvement)	4.4
Improve supervisory training (responsiveness, supportiveness, fairness, communications)	4.3



Engagement by Region





Engagement by Services





Engagement by Supervisory Status





Engagement by Education



HIGH SCHOOL OR LESS
SOME COLLEGE OR TECHNICAL
COLLEGE DEGREE OR SOME GRADUATE
GRADUATE DEGREE



Next Steps

o Further analyze the findings

• Share the results

Communicate the action plan
 Learn more through dialogue, RPI
 Identify specific actions
 Validate with employees
 Implement
 Measure their pulse

Make adjustments

Resurvey



Final Thoughts

- Focus on improving Credibility and Respect
- ○Fairness issues are statewide
- oRapid Process Improvement
- Manager training
- o Communication content, testing and control
- Input and Feedback loops
- Employee Recognition
- **OPerformance Metrics**



Questions

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