The Future is Here: Observations About Our Science & Practice...

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This Morning...

- Share some **observations** on our science, practice & profession...
 - After a journey of 30 years...
 - Stories...
 - Team science...
- Offer some food-for-thought...
- Challenge you -- to ENGAGE!

Story 1

TADMUS

- USS Vincennes shoots down Iranian airliner, 1988
 - Well trained team.
 - Lack of understanding regarding information and perspectives resulted in catastrophic consequences.
 - Office of Naval Research launches:
 - Tactical design making under stress (TADMUS) project
 - 10 year program

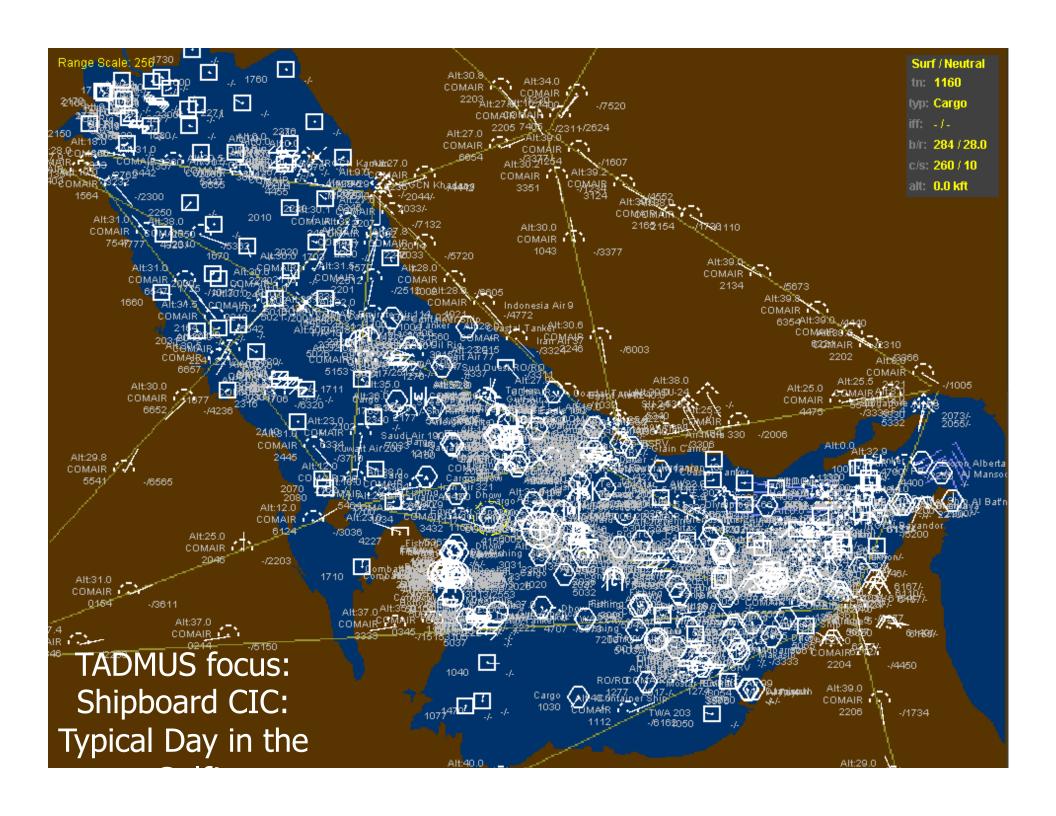


TADMUS

■ TADMUS Goals:

- Better understand tactical decision-making in naturalistic environments
- Mitigate the effects of stress in teams
 - Simulation and training principles
 - Team performance
 - Team training

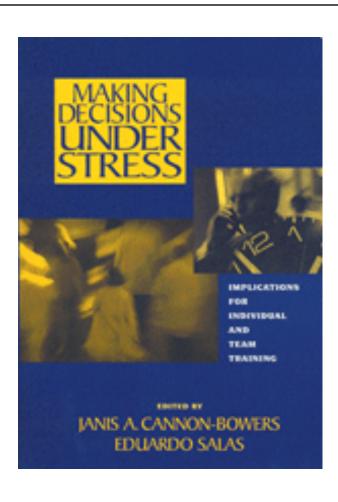




Driving Question...

- How do we turn a team of experts into an expert decision-making team?
- Research Approach:
 - Theoretically-Driven
 - Study Teams In Natural Settings
 - Experts As Participants
 - Laboratory Experiments When Appropriate
 - Balance Science And Practice
 - Product Oriented

Impact...



- Compared with current training, enhanced training resulted in (see Cannon-Bowers & Salas, 1998)
 - 45% improvement in mission performance
 - 33% improvement in tactical decision-making performance
 - 25% improvement in communication efficiency
 - □ 10-34% improvement in team coordination

Story 2

Aircrew Coordination



- 60-80% accidentsdue to human error
- Improve safety & mission performance



Aircrew Coordination Training R&D



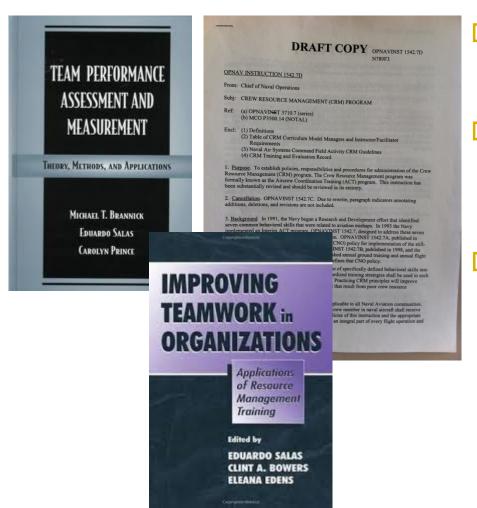
Approach:

- Designed & developed a training program
- Validated, skill-based
- Integrated, Navyrelevant
- Focus on safety, mission performance
- Stand-alone

Impact...

- Over **2400** aviators participated, got trained, across 6 platforms.
- 3 validation studies: 6-20%
 improvement in team behaviors, safety (with experts).
- CRM school created, over see delivery of team training.
- Navy-wise implementation.

Impact...



- Guidelines & Specifications
- Naval Instruction (1992)
 - Valid today(!)
- Decision Making

Assertiveness

Mission Planning

Communication

Leadership

Adaptability/Flexibility

Situation Awareness

Story 3

Explosive Ordinance Disposal...



- Improve team decision-making, team leadership
- Ameliorate stress effects on teams
- Accelerate expertise
 - Team dynamics

Explosive Ordinance Disposal...











Impact...

US Naval Sea Cadet Corps Navy League Cadet Corps

PACIFIC CENTRAL REGION 12

BASIC MEDICAL TRAINING



PARTICIPANT'S WORKBOOK

CIRRICULUM DEVELOPED BY JOEL J. BARNECUT, NREMT-B TRAINING OFFICER, PACFIC CENTRAL REGION 12

BASED ON COURSE STANDARDS AND REQUIREMENTS SET FORTH BY THE AMERICAN RED CROSS FOR LAY RESPONDER FIRST AID, CPR, AND AED TRAINING NAVAL AIR TRAINING COMMAND



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INTRODUCTION TO HELICOPTER AERODYNAMICS WORKBOOK



AERODYNAMICS TRANSITION HELICOPTER

2000

- Science-based advice
- Developed curriculum
- Created scenarios
- Provided instructor checklists & observation protocols
- Use in training today

Story 4



TeamSTEPPS...

- Institute of Medicine Report...
 - Impact of Error:
 - 44,000-98,000 annual deaths occur as a result of errors
 - Medical errors are the leading cause, followed by surgical mistakes and complications
 - More Americans die from medical errors than from breast cancer, AIDS, or car accidents
 - 7% of hospital patients experience a serious medication error

Federal Action:

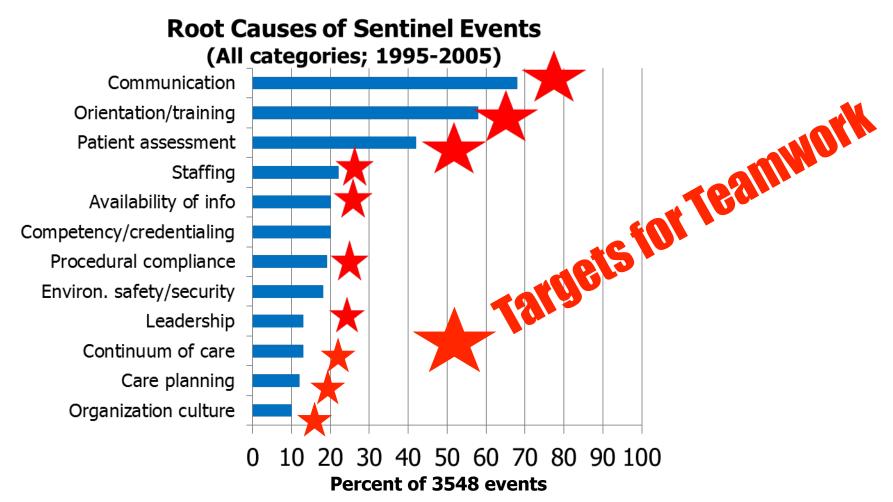
By 5 years;

- medical errors by 50%,
- nosocomial by 90%; and eliminate "neverevents" (such as wrong-site surgery)

Cost associated with medical errors is \$8-29 billion annually.

TeamSTEPPS...

Joint Commission Sentinel Events



TeamSTEPPS

Team Strategies & Tools to Enhance Performance & Patient Safety





✓ Grounded in team performance research

Applies teamwork principles and strategies that are

teachable and learnable

√ Field tested

Comprehensive

Customizable

Evaluation Tools

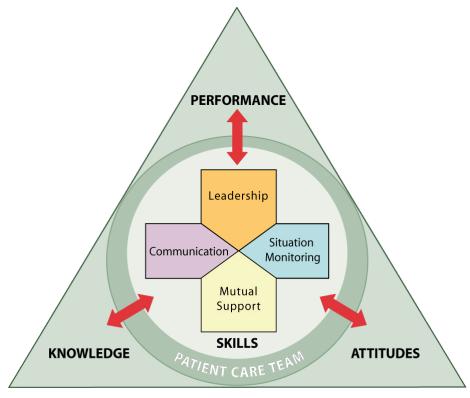
✓ Ready-to-use

Available to your organization



TeamSTEPPS...

- Knowledge
 - Shared Mental Model
- Attitudes
 - Mutual Trust
 - Team Orientation
- Performance
 - Adaptability
 - Accuracy
 - Productivity
 - Efficiency
 - Safety



TeamSTEPPS: Learning Strategies...

Information

Evidence-based knowledge creates awareness

Demonstration

Video vignettes and case studies

Practice

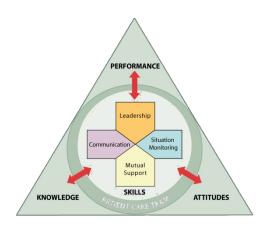
Role-play, Tools, Problem Solving,
 Practice (simulation)

Feedback

Debrief, Networking, Measures

Remediation

Coaching, Continuous Improvement



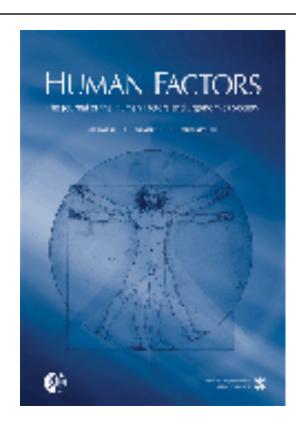
Impact...

- 220 DoD healthcare facilities use it
- AHRQ: 20-30% US hospitals use it
- Over 5,000 formally trained through national implementation programs, much more informally
- Data: Improved efficiency in clinical processes
 - L&D, Trauma, Surgery
 - Reduction in PS events
 - 83% reduction in medication errors
 - VA study
 - 18% reduction in mortality

Story 5

Human Factors...

- Editor, 2000-2004
 - 500+ Action letters
- Executive Council
- President, 2012-2013
- Several TG LeadershipPositions
- Active in HFES for 30 years



Human Factors...

- DoD Science & Technology R&D, down...
- Open Access...
- Student motivations, intentions –
 Different
- HFES membership getting older...
- Others...

Common Themes...they impact when...

- A Mandate A problem to be solved
- Resources available
- Access to experts, observations in context
- Science, data, experiments, studies
- Practical deliverables, tools, advice, principles
- Customers buy in, support

Observations...

- Embedded ourselves in the context
 - Goes to our motivation
 - Observations, interviewed, deployed
- Focused on human performance (Team dynamics)
 - Understand it
 - What variables matter
- Informed by theory

Observations...

- 4. Invested in **measurement** strategies
- Urgency in data collection, field
 - Show sponsor, fleet...
- Surrounded ourselves with "critics"
 - Advisory boards
 - Challenged us, motivated us
- 7. Keen eye on deliverables
 - Products
 - Scientific & practical

Observations...

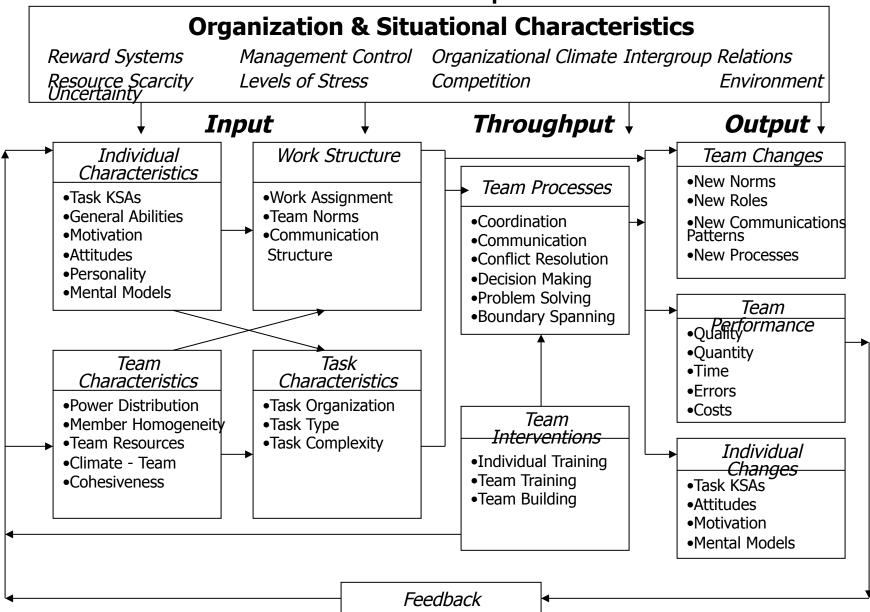
- 8. We divided & conquered
 - Messy work vs. lab, science vs. practice
- "Methods", our partner
 - Internal/external validity
- 10. We learned to be "story tellers", translations!

"Changed peoples minds"...

See things differently about team dynamic, training, measurement, leadership

A Few Lessons Learned About Team Science

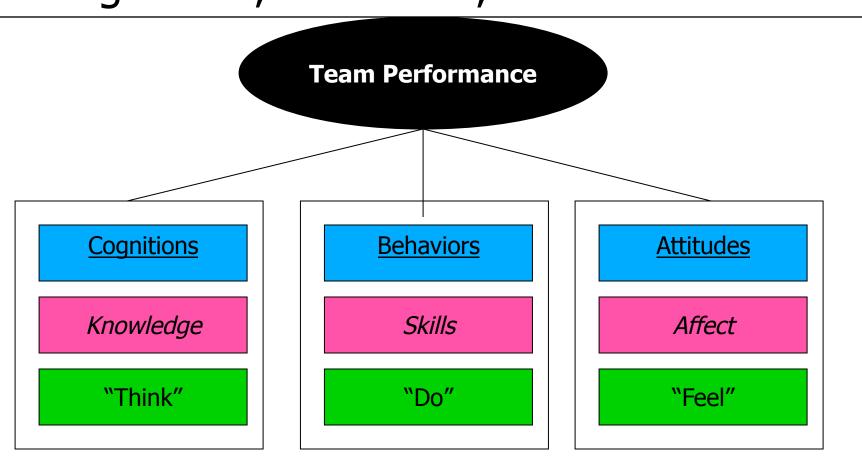
Lesson 1: Teamwork Is A Complex Phenomena...



Lesson 1: Yes, But...

- Theories Abound!
 - 150 plus, few validated
- IPO approach dominates
- Context matters!
- Need more parsimonious, powerful "theoretical engines", few variables
- New forums of team dynamics emerging, new constructs needed (?)

Lesson 2: Team Performance Is Comprised of Cognitions, Behaviors, and Attitudes...



Lesson 2: Yes, But...

- Questions remain:
 - Right mixture?
 - What KSAs lead to adaptation & resilience?
 - How these **evolve** & **mature** over time?
- Deeper examination needed
 - Communication flow, patterns
- New forms of teams emerging:
 - What KSAs are needed?

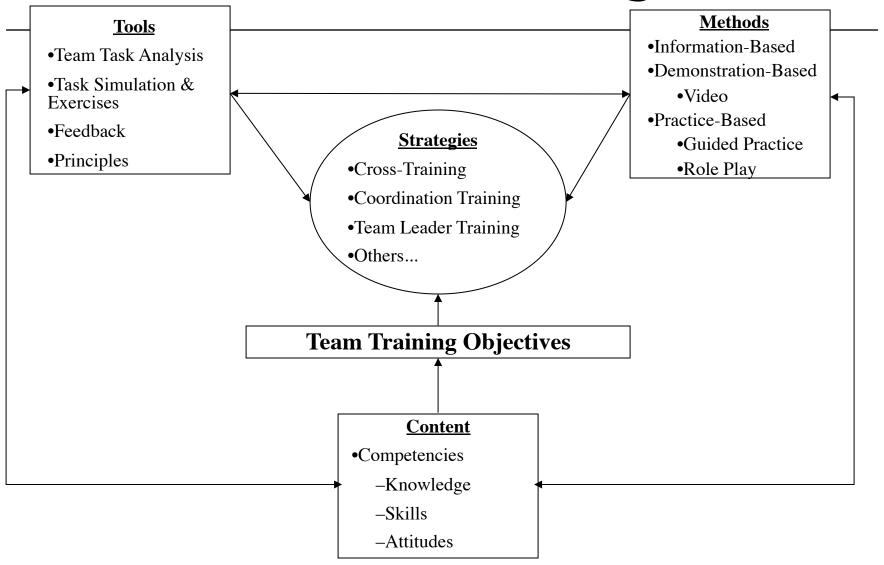
Lesson 3: Measurement Tools Need To Be Multi-Faceted...

P R	Individual	Team
0 C E S	-Decision Flow Analysis	-Observational Scales
	–Performance Diary–Observation Analysis	-Content Analysis -Critical Incidents
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O U T C O M E	-Critical Incidents & Latency	-Rating Scales-Team Error Analysis-Archival Data
	–AutomatedPerformance Recording	
	-Expert Opinion	

Lesson 3: Yes, But...

- Progress!; Not perfect...
- Labor intensive...
- Communications data analysis, improving...
- Observation protocols, robust...
- Self-report, dominates...
- No "silver bullet"...
- Measure for meaning, not for marks...
- Process measures, better for training...

Lesson 4: Team Training Works!



Lesson 4: Many Strategies...

- Cross-Training
 - Walking in Each Others' Shoes...
- Stress Exposure Training
 - Better the Devil You Know...
- Team Coordination Training
 - He Ain't Heavy...
- Team Leader Training
 - Setting the Stage...
- Team Self-Correction
 - Replay in the Bar..

Lesson 4: Yes, But...

- Bottom line: It's about competencies...
- Data compelling...
 - 20% improvement
- Need "deeper dive":
 - What, When, How
 - Role of practice, simulation
 - How transportable? Dosage?
 - Intelligent team training tutoring
- Era of **Debriefs**...
 - 25% performance improvement

Lesson 5: We know a lot about what works in teams...

- It's about clarity of roles & responsibilities...
- Having a compelling purpose...
- Appropriate team launch...
- A team coach (leader)...
- Holding a shared understanding...
- They self-correct...
- Optimal organizational conditions...

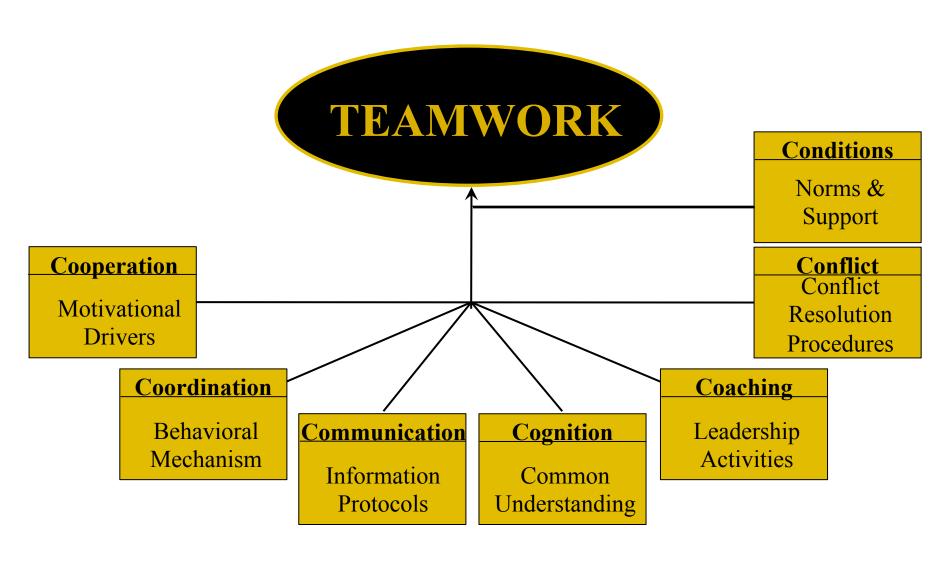
Lesson 6: Not all work teams are created equal...New emerging

- Moved from "bounded action" teams to "fluid knowledge seeking" teams...
- Long duration, isolation...
 - "Going to Mars"
- Human-robot teams...
- New manufacturing teams...
 - Automation & robots as teammates
- Teams of teams...
- New constructs, new paradigms...

Lesson 7: The study of work teams is a multidisciplinary activity...

- ...takes a village...
- Reach out!
- No science discipline owns team science!
- We can learn from sports, coaches, CEO's, NASCAR, Formula 1...

Lesson 8: Translations & practical heuristics, matter...



Lesson 9:

When we all work together, when we share responsibilities and share leadership –

Success Comes!

Lesson 10: Our Future Must...

- Energize ourselves!
- Engage!
- Educate!
- Embrace!
- Enjoy!

HF Science Matters When...

- Guided by theory
- Balanced lab & field studies
- Human performance focused
- Data-driven, evidence-based
- Multi-disciplinary perspectives
- Translate

HF Science Impact...

- Saves lives...
- Good to our economy, national security...
- Productivity, retention, satisfaction in the work place...

So, ENGAGE!

When in Orlando...



Thank you so much!