

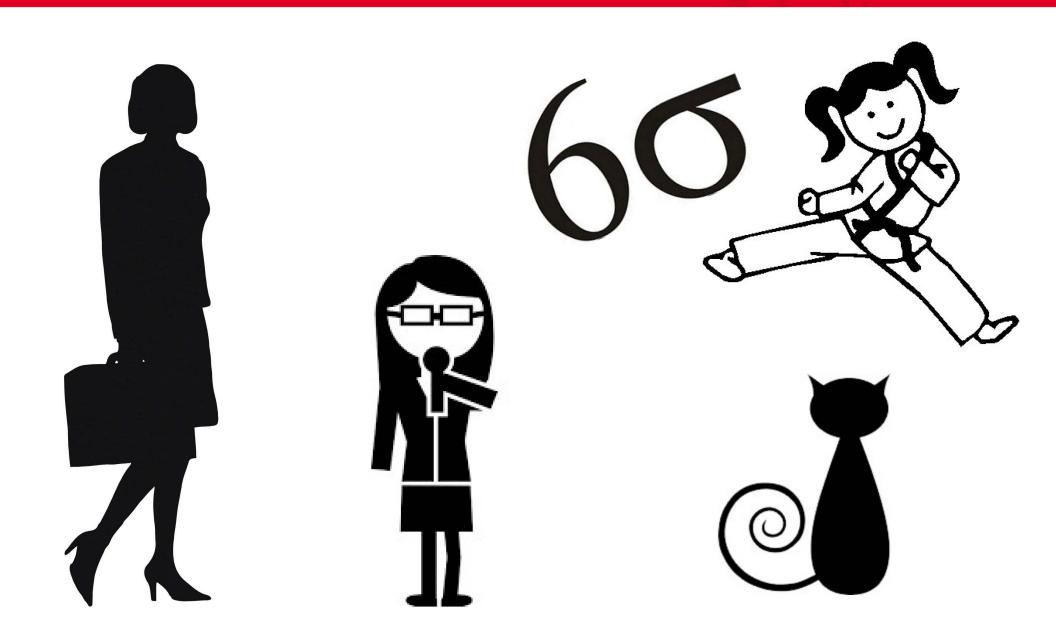


Team Science: Overview and One Quick Tool

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Highlights

- Team Science
- Communication Styles
- CCTST Services





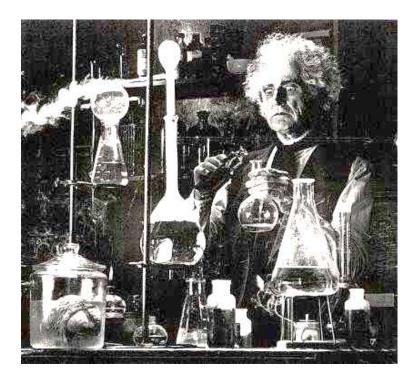
The Science of Teams







The Changing Face of Research...





From this....

....to this





Definition: Team Science

"Team Science is a collaborative effort to address a scientific challenge that leverages the strengths and expertise of professionals trained in different fields."

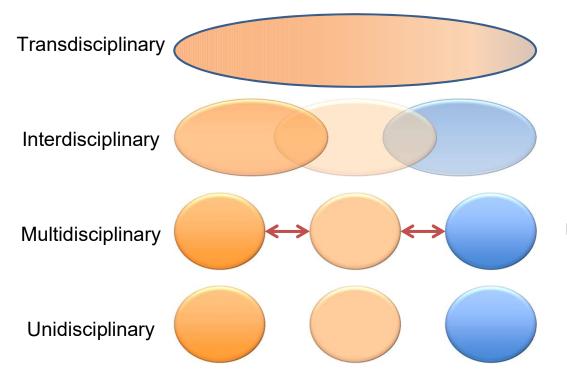
Team Science Toolkit - NCI

https://www.teamsciencetoolkit.cancer.gov/public/Home.aspx





Collaboration Hierarchy



Researchers integrate and also transcend disciplinary approaches to generate fundamentally new conceptual frameworks, theories, models, and applications.

Researchers integrate "information, data, techniques, tools, perspectives, concepts, and/or theories from two or more disciplines...to advance fundamental understanding or to solve problems." (*NAS, NAE, and IOM, 2005, p.26*)

Researchers from different disciplines each make separate contributions in an additive way.

Researchers from a single discipline work together to address a common problem.





Teams: Unique Features

- Interdependence among members
- Work together toward a common goal
- Shared responsibility for success
- Degree of <u>formal structure</u> around roles
- Familiarity among members





Things We Know about Teams and Collaboration:

- Forming Teams: Size, Composition, Diversity, Proximity
- **Team Functions**: *Trust, Conflict Resolution, Commitment, Accountability, Attention to Results*
- **Communication**: *Timeliness, Preferences, Familiarity, Technology*
- Leadership:

Traits and Behaviors, Styles, Responsibilities, Dysfunctions

How Do You Communicate?



Communication Assessment

- For each set of statements, place the most appropriate number in the box:
 - 7 = most like you
 - 5 = second most like you
 - 3 = somewhat like you
 - 1 = least like you
- Add up your score for each column
 - 50 + = visibly strong preference
 - 25-49 = preference
 - 15-24 = intermediate preference
 - 14 and below = low preference/potential avoidance

(Hermann, 1996)



fact-driven decisive impatient

abrupt

SSETTINE

BLUE

- Style is logical, analytical, bottom-line tough
- No decision made without facts, and reality is now
- Values action, timelines, the bottom line
- Tends to get impatient
- Very results-oriented
- Outspoken, decisive, assertive and likes control

BLUE

- In the workplace, may appear rushed and abrupt
- Want people to get to the point quickly
- Can be hard nosed, with a great emphasis on success at any cost
- Require his/her staff to be well versed in the facts
- Use logic rather than intuition or gut feelings to make decisions



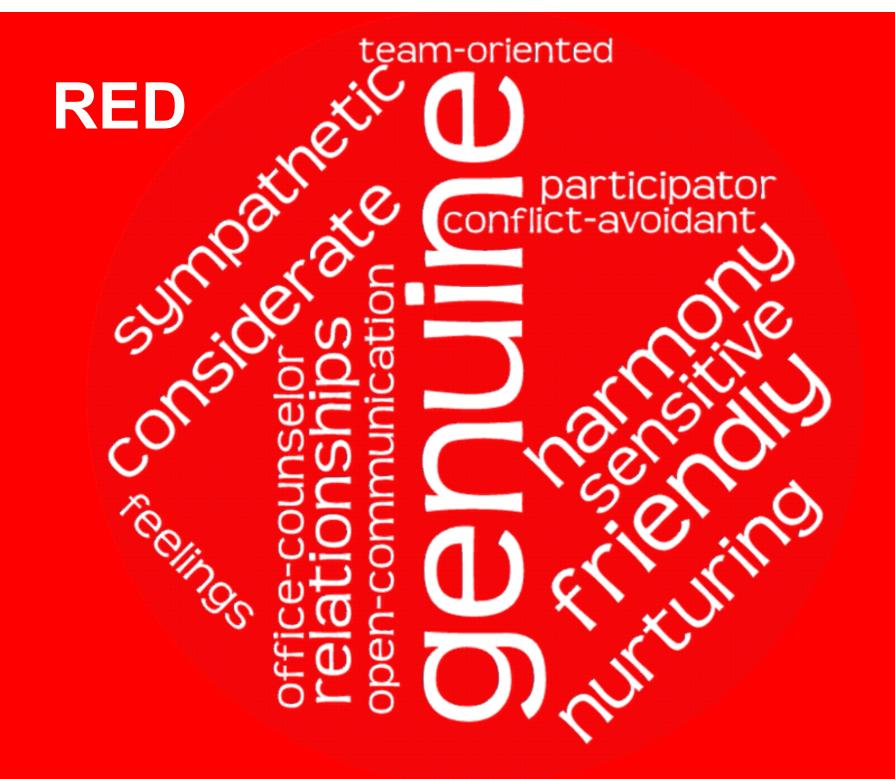


GREEN

- Very detailed, structured, and solid
- Important to follow procedure, on time, and delivered as promised
- Neatness and protocol count
- Time costs money
- In the workplace, often misunderstood because you may be overly concerned with accomplishing an error-free task

GREEN

- Most private of all styles
- Organized, analytical and weigh facts and supporting data before making a decision
- You are a perfectionist, critical of yourself and others
- Detail-oriented, and systematic
- Values following orders, getting the project in on time
- A well organized office, and accurate documentation



RED

- Blends well with all the other styles
- Genuine concern for others
- Sympathetic and friendly and known as the "office counselor"
- Considerate, and like harmonious relationships
- In the workplace, focus on nurturing relationships
- May have difficulty standing up for yourself as you avoid conflict wherever possible

RED

- Highly participative and team oriented
- Consider people to be the most important asset
- Human values and feelings are paramount Work place should be friendly and condone open communication
- Door is always open
- If something doesn't seem right, standard protocol is to address the problem in a sensitive way



YELLOW

- Intuitive, holistic, adventurous, risk taking
- "If there is a better way, let's try it out"
- Experimentation is highly valued
- Animated, energetic and spontaneous
- Easily communicate your ideas and are the most talkative of all the styles
- Like new ideas and sometimes tend to overlook details

YELLOW

- In the workplace, sometimes have difficulty listening to directives or concerns as you are busy talking and developing rapport because of your relationship orientation
- Normal to try out several approaches at once
- Style is a very open one with very little structure
- Seeing into the future and avoiding shortsighted solutions is a common trait

Logical Analytical Fact Based Quantitative Holistic Intuitive Integrating Synthesizing

Relationship-Oriented

Organized Sequential Planned Detailed Interpersonal Feeling-Based Kinesthetic Emotional

Effective Communication with BLUES

- Be direct and to the point
- Allow choice when possible
- Discuss how the results will be accomplished
- Does it use facts?
- Is it quantified?
- Does it show clear analysis?

Effective Communication with GREENS

- Give them the facts
- Show it to them in writing
- Focus on doing the right thing
- Give opportunity to ask questions
- Does it provide enough detail?
- Is it in sequential order?
- Is it neat?
- Is it in appropriate format?

Effective Communication with REDS

- Keep cool! Reds appreciate a "calm, cool and collected" style
- Ask them for their help/cooperation preferably not at the last minute
- Consider their schedule
- Is it people-focused?
- Is it helpful and user-friendly?
- Does it acknowledge emotional issues?

Effective Communication with YELLOWS

- Yellow most creative when they have people with whom to share ideas
- Show that you're interested in what they're doing through interaction and feedback
- Does it look at the big picture?
- Is it conceptually sound?
- Is it visual and colorful?
- Does it use metaphors?
- Does it look at the future?

Take It Back to Your Team









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Translational Workforce Development





Thank You!

Questions?

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