Promoting Six Dimensions of Workplace Wellbeing and Implementing Best Practices

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SESSION OVERVIEW

Health and wellbeing in the workplace significantly affect employee performance and the organizational bottom line. Disengagement, presenteeism, and absenteeism triggered by unhealthy and ill-being environments in the workplace cause significant productivity loss and consequential financial loss to businesses, not to mention individual psychological, emotional, and physical distress.

Developed by a collaborative effort between industry and academia and funded by the American Society of Interior Designers, the Comparative Assessment and Performance Tool for Innovative Workplaces intends to provide a framework for workplace health and wellbeing. It encompasses "Six Dimensions of Workplace Wellbeing" that address physically being healthy, emotionally feeling good, and cognitively thinking well. These six dimensions of workplace wellbeing emphasize environmental interventions in physical fitness, physical comfort, social wellbeing, cognitive wellbeing, emotional wellbeing, and environmental wellbeing.

This session will discuss the global trends with workplace wellbeing, wellbeing as the next phase of sustainability agenda, and its impact on businesses from business management perspectives as well as practical applications of these concepts and environmental interventions in the built environment in supporting health and wellbeing.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- Comprehend wellbeing as the next agenda of sustainability and the benefits of workplace wellbeing
- Identify dimensions of wellbeing applicable to the workplace to optimize human potential through health, happiness, comfort, and productivity
- Develop best practice strategies for workplace wellbeing from indoor environmental quality to biophilic elements
- Discuss potential wellbeing issues in the contemporary workplace design and management practices
- * AIA, GBCI & LFA CEUs Provided

SIX DIMENSIONS OF WORKPLACE WELLBEING (6DWW) & DESIGN IMPLICATIONS

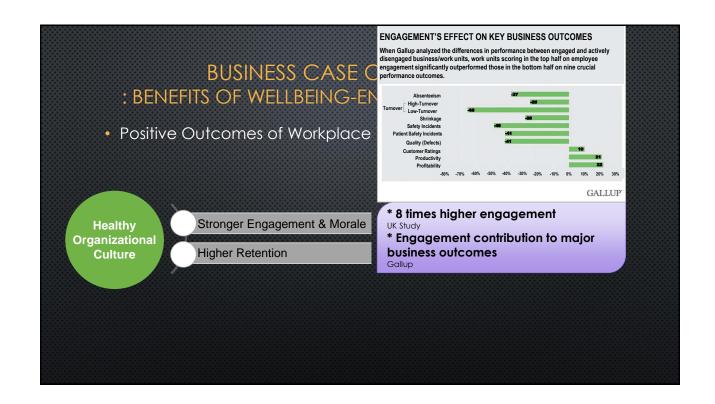
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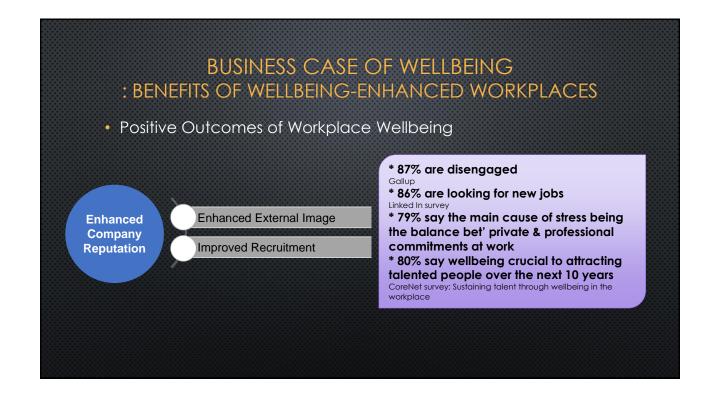


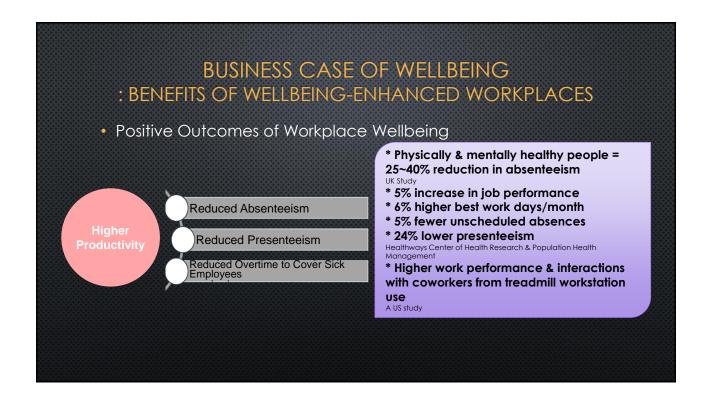


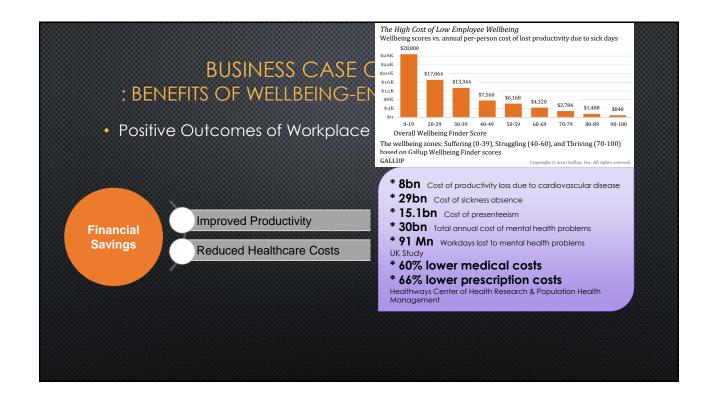












- Open Source Online Workspace Analytics
- Funded by the American Society of Interior Designers
- A collective effort of over 40 industry and academic partners
- Alternative workplace performance metrics encompassing productivity, health, & wellbeing beyond the conventional metrics of cost per SF
- Key performance indicators (KPIs) of the physical workspaces supporting the organizational performance in innovation and innovation strategies





- Methods
 - Major Standards and Guidelines
 - Major Instruments and Studies
 - Content and Visual Analysis

WORKPLACE WELLBEING: CAPTIW®

Major Standards & Guidelines Reviewed

BREEAM Healthcare Active Design Guideline Health Optimisation Protocol Creativity Development for Energy-efficient Building Quick Scan (CDQS) (HOPE) The Workplace Well Building **Design Quality Wellbeing Charter** Building Use Studies (DQI) **Standards** Workplace health (BUS) **USA GSA FIT-WELSM** and wellbeing toolkit CBE's Occupant IEQ Survey™ Ratings of Environmental Features Performance Measurement Protocols Gensler Workplace for Commercial Buildings (PMPCB)

Performance Index

Guide (WBDG)

National Health Service (NHS)'s

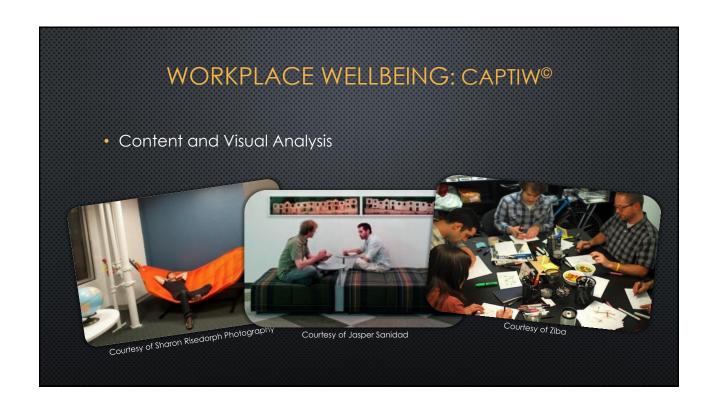
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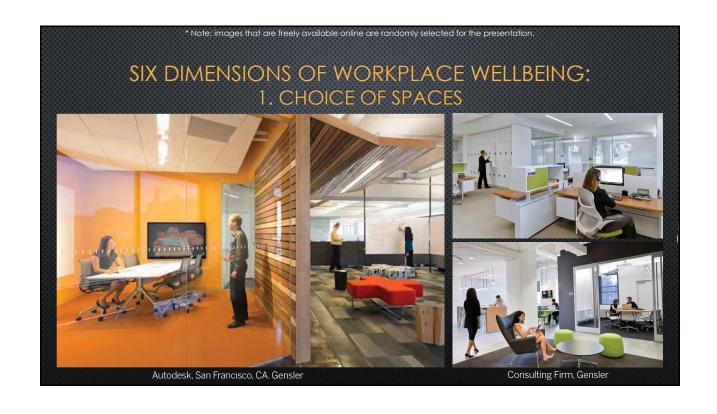


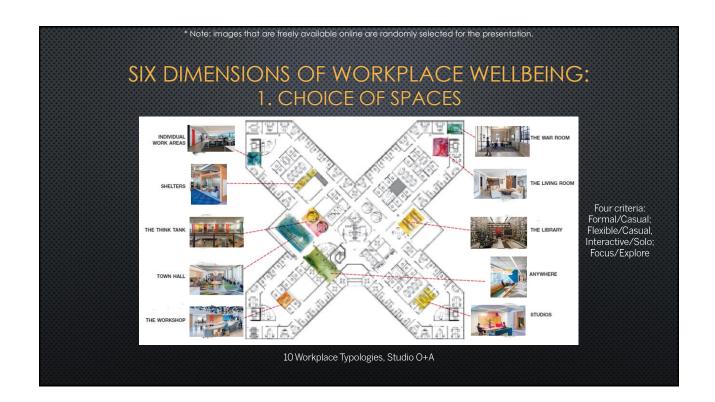


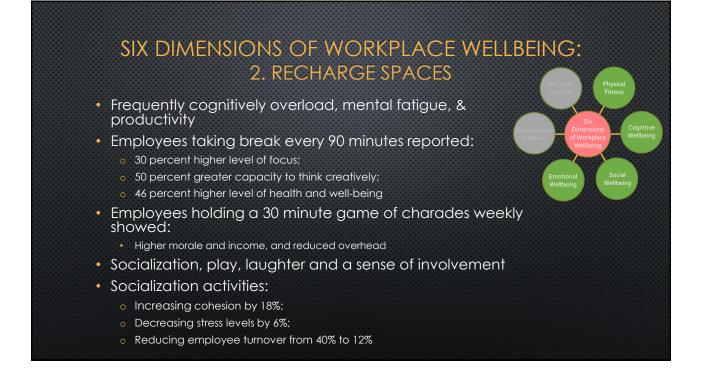
SIX DIMENSIONS OF WORKPLACE WELLBEING: 1. CHOICE OF SPACES

- Autonomy, Trust, Transparency & Engagement
- Stimulating physical bodily movement
- Major knowledge work activities: socialization, externalization, combination, and internalization
- Four work modes of knowledge work: focus, socialization, collaboration, and learning
- Spaces with different levels of privacy/interaction, quiet/noise, flexibility, thermal gradients, etc.
- Spaces with various furniture settings: formal ← → informal /casual, and different levels of ergonomics



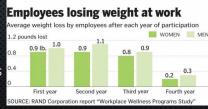






SIX DIMENSIONS OF WORKPLACE WELLBEING: 2. RECHARGE SPACES

- Micro-break activities & recovery from daily work demands:
 - Social activities and Relaxation activities => reducing work demands stress & negative state of mind at the end of day;
 - Nutrition intake & snacks => no significant moderating effect;
 - Non-work-related cognitive activities => aggravating stress & negative affect
- Workplace wellness programs & long-term health impact:
 - No consistency in health cost reductions
 - Healthy people participating in wellness programs
 - No long-term impact

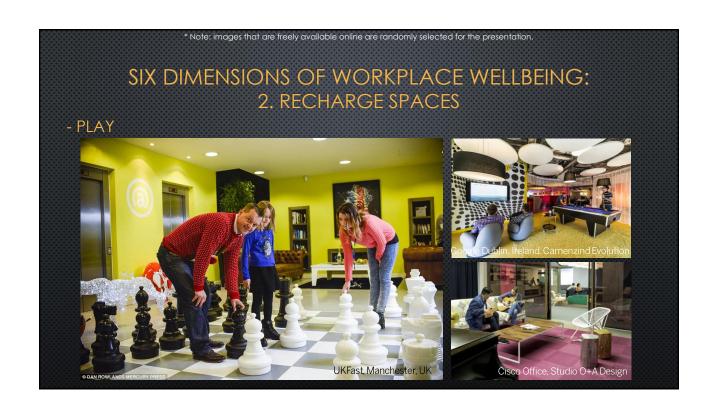


RAND's study

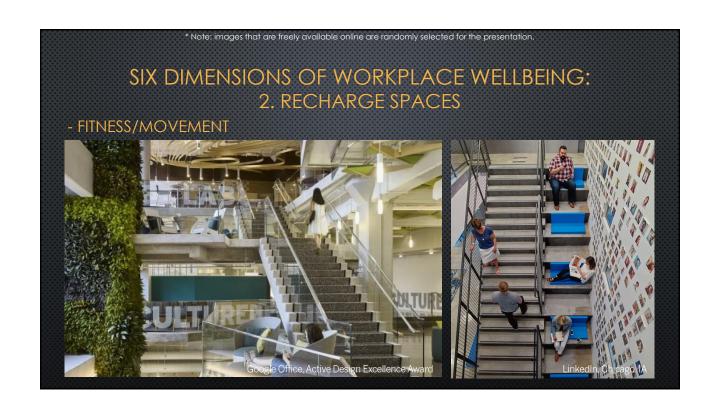
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- 5 types of recharge spaces: supporting people to disengage through temporal respite to order to engage
 - Play
 - Solitude/ Contemplation
 - Socialization
 - Fitness/ Body movement
 - Outdoor Respite



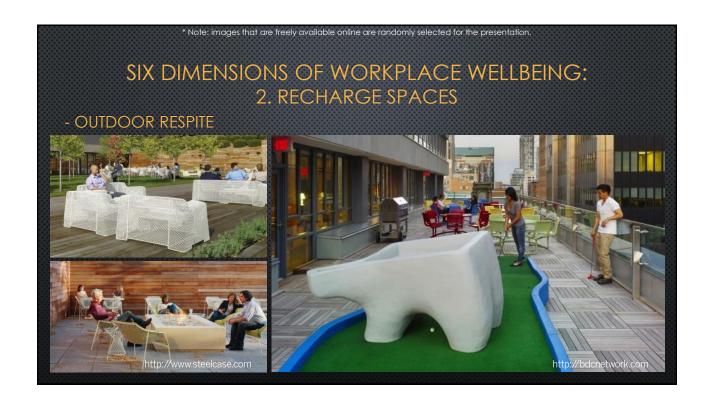










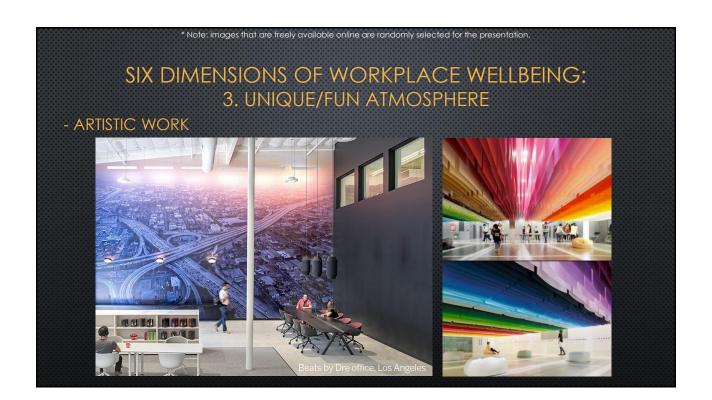


SIX DIMENSIONS OF WORKPLACE WELLBEING: 3. UNIQUE/FUN ATMOSPHERE

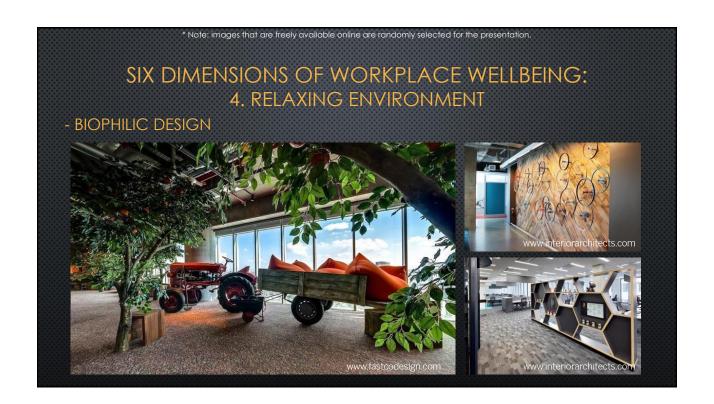
- Playful and fun ambience and the cognition and psychology of employees
- Playful design elements and physical and visual sources of inspiration
- Art and cognitive and psychological stimulation
- Art and other visual media, and sense of creativity, freedom and nonconformity
- Different shapes and forms and cognitive and emotional responses











SIX DIMENSIONS OF WORKPLACE WELLBEING: 4. RELAXING ENVIRONMENT

- Circadian rhythm and sleep, mood, eating habits & productivity
- Circadian rhythm and hormones regulating sleep & metabolism (growth hormone, melatonin, cortisol, leptin, etc.) => sleep disturbance, obesity, insulin insensitivity, diabetes, hormonal imbalance, & appetite dysregulation.
- Changes in circadian clock and temporal feeding behavior change & weight gain
- Circadian rhythm and disruption of metabolism & cardio-metabolic disease development
- Circadian rhythm and learning & memory





SIX DIMENSIONS OF WORKPLACE WELLBEING: 4. RELAXING ENVIRONMENT

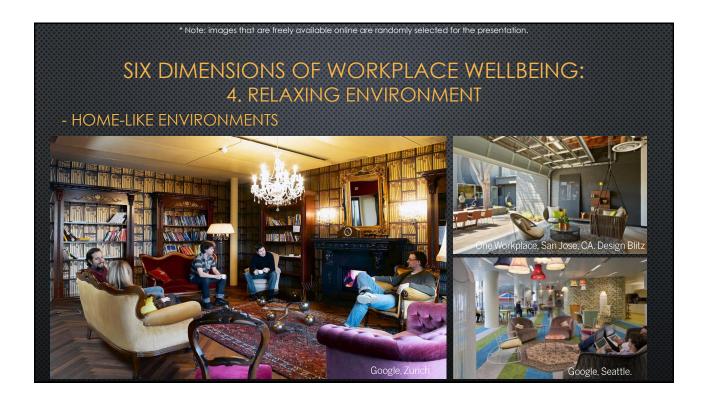
GSA Circadian lighting study results

- A. Greater circadian stimulus in the morning:
 - 1. Falling asleep faster at night
 - 2. Improved sleep quality
 - 3. Decreased depression

 Benefits of circadian light slightly better in winter than in summer Behavioral challenges - people close shades when it is too bright and leave them closed Computers - a key driver of shade use and other daylight reducing behaviors Conclusions: The daylight ecosystem: 1. Daylight design - windows, controls, & integration with electric light 2. Interior design – furniture, layout, colors, finishes, & computer ergonomics Organizational system – culture, occupant behavior, nature of work, reward structure, & work technologies

SIX DIMENSIONS OF WORKPLACE WELLBEING: 4. RELAXING ENVIRONMENT

- Home-like settings reinforces:
 - Creativity, flexibility, and organizational culture
- Blurring boundaries bet' first, second, & third places: comfort of home & social components of coffee shop
- Essences of homes in successful start-ups:
 - openness, transparency, non-hierarchical spaces, & flexible organizational structure
 - Autonomy & personal control:
 - personalization => higher job commitment, involvement, motivation, job satisfaction, & performance and lower stress and absenteeism
 - Personal control over thermal comfort & lighting => higher satisfaction & job performance



systems

SIX DIMENSIONS OF WORKPLACE WELLBEING: 4. RELAXING ENVIRONMENT 54 Circadian Light Design [P6] Dynamic & Diffuse Light • 14 Patterns of biophilic design 76 Thermal Comfort [P4] Thermal & Airflow Variability [P2] Non-Visual Connection with Nature [P5] Presence of Water 79 Sound Masking Nature in the space Natural analogues 82 Individual Thermal Control [P4] Thermal & Airflow Variability Biomorphic forms & Visual connection with 83 Radiant Thermal Comfort [P4] Thermal & Airflow Variability patterns nature [P1] Visual Connection with Nature [P5] Presence of Water Material connection with [P6] Dynamic & Diffuse Light [P7] Connection with Natural Systems Non-visual connection with nature nature [P8] Biomorphic Forms & Patterns 88 Biophilia I - Qualitative [P9] Material Connection with Nature 10. Complexity & order [P11] Prospect Non-Rhythmic sensory [P12] Refuge [P13] Mystery Nature of the space stimuli [P14] Risk/Peril 11. Prospect [P2] Non-Visual Connection with Nature 89 Adaptable Spaces Thermal & airflow variability [P12] Refuge 12. Refuge [P1] Visual Connection with Nature Presence of water [P6] Dynamic & Diffuse Light 13. Mystery [P8] Biomorphic Forms & Patterns 99 Beauty & Design II [P10] Complexity & Order Dynamic & diffuse light [P11] Prospect [P13] Mystery 14. Risk/peril Connection with natural [P1] Visual Connection with Nature [P5] Presence of Water

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