## **Seven Ways That HPI Programs Fail and 21 Tips to Help Yours Thrive**



Problem	Cause	Solutions
1 - Loss of Executive Support	HPI Champion or someone above them gets replaced	<ul> <li>Write your business case</li> <li>Speak to their experience in their language</li> <li>Help them build a network to withstand N-1</li> </ul>
2 – In-House Expertise Never Reaches Critical Mass	No single Go-To person <i>runs</i> the initiative	<ul> <li>Fight to get a full-time HPI Lead (70%+)</li> <li>Invest in HQ training, mentoring &amp; benchmarking</li> <li>READ! (visit our website for titles)</li> </ul>
3 – Unclear Results	Measuring wrong things or expecting results too early	<ul> <li>Collect stories first, data later</li> <li>Expect new metrics to get WORSE before they get better</li> <li>Write into annual goals</li> </ul>
4 – Mistrust Prevails	Unexplained discrepancies b/t promises and delivery	<ul> <li>EARN trust (don't build it)</li> <li>MODEL new expectations (don't demo them)</li> <li>Communicate WITH, (not to) people</li> </ul>
5 – Culture Doesn't Change	Thinking of HPI as a program	<ul> <li>Learn principles of culture change</li> <li>Write and update a strategic plan</li> <li>Bake HPI into training &amp; work methods</li> </ul>
6 - Inadequate Support for Front-Line Leaders (FLLs)	Too much focus on end-users and execs	<ul> <li>Train FLLs to MODEL critical skills</li> <li>ENABLE them to coach their teams in these skills</li> <li>Observe and measure</li> </ul>
7 - Individual Errors Seem to Outweigh Org. Ones	Finding fault instead of finding solutions	<ul> <li>Never accept "Human Error" as a root cause</li> <li>Look for organizational causes</li> <li>Drive organizational solutions like Just Culture, CRM, &amp; Resilience Eng.</li> </ul>

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