Ready to End Meeting Mayhem?

Ready to Improve Communications Within Your Organization?

Good to go? Call Nancy Proffitt
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“Know Thyself”

–Socrates

Socrates was right.

It’s our belief that the first step in unraveling any challenge in the workplace is to understand yourself. Once you truly understand yourself, you can appreciate others and ultimately you will learn how to work together — in “oh man, that was a productive meeting” harmony.

That’s what deciphering behavior to curb meeting mayhem boils down to.

Use this handy guide to decode the folks around your conference room table.

DOMINANCE
CHARACTERISTICS

High D: Driven, Ambitious, Strong-Willed

Low D: Unobtrusive, Cautious, Agreeable

Famous Examples: Gordon Ramsay, Steve Jobs, Kanye West, Lebron James, Christian Bale

INFLUENCE
CHARACTERISTICS

High I: Enthusiastic, Warm, Persuasive

Low I: Logical, Matter-of-Fact, Incisive

Famous Examples: Angelina Jolie, Taylor Swift, Jimmy Fallon, Kelly Rippa, Kurt Warner

STEADINESS
CHARACTERISTICS

High S: Loyal, Relaxed, Passive, Patient

Low S: Impulsive, Eager, Flexible, Restless

Famous Examples: Brad Pitt, Aaron Rodgers, Dr. Drew, Scarlett Johansson, Carrie Underwood

COMPLIANCE
CHARACTERISTICS

High C: Detail Oriented, Conventional, Exacting

Low C: Arbitrary, Unbending, Unsystematic

Famous Examples: Neil Degrasse Tyson, James Franco, Bill Belichick, Arianna Huffington, Martha Stewart

The only true wisdom is in knowing you know nothing.
6 Questions to Find Your Perfect DISC Match

Now that you understand the eight common DISC profiles — and possibly recognize some of these behaviors in others you work with — you then must choose a DISC provider. By providing a research-based, carefully vetted DISC assessment you will be most able to curtail behavioral conflicts that take your teams far afield and understand better the unique make-up of your team.

As you shop, know that since DISC is widely embraced in the marketplace, you will be presented with many choices.

However, not all DISC providers are created equal. It is important to do your research and select provider that has deep expertise, proven capabilities and validated instruments to help you apply DISC immediately within your organization.

Here are some questions to ask during the vetting process:

1. **What Research is Your Assessment Based on?**
   Some assessment providers stand on the laurels of research done 20 or 30 years ago, while others are constantly evaluating nuances and staying on the cutting edge. The answer to this question tells you what level of scientific or research orientation the assessment company uses. Ask for research findings and published papers, preferably peer-reviewed papers. Assessment companies that use science based assessments engender more confidence than those who create and distribute assessment based on hunches or to receive some marketing buzz.

2. **Does Your Assessment Have a Validation Study Associated with it?**
   A company that values continually improving its assessment business wants to ensure that its instruments are validated and predictable. This process, which is best conducted by independent statisticians for purposes of objectivity, includes everything from data norming to data analysis to structured equation sampling. This analysis assures you that the assessments you use fulfill not only your requirements, but those expected by the market and regulators as well.

3. **Do Your Assessments Have An Adverse Impact Study?**
   An adverse impact study determines whether you are discriminating against any protected groups of people. It is important that both you and your assessment provider are found to be EEOC and OFCCP compliant.

4. **Can Your Assessments Be Used for Hiring?**
   You want to make sure that the provider’s assessments pass the legal and regulatory hurdles. Under the doctrine of disparate impact, employers may not use employment practices that, even though neutral on the surface and applied to all applicants or employees, disproportionately exclude members of a protected category.
5. **What Types of Assessments Do You Provide?**
Some companies base their offerings on one assessment while others offer a suite of options that measure different factors. The answer to this question will help you understand the versatility and predictability of the assessment provider. Multiple providers can address multiple needs while single assessment providers offer only one piece to the puzzle.

6. **How Do Your Assessments Differ from Your Competitors?**
Your assessment company should be able to answer this question in a way that shows that they are up-to-date on what is available in the market and the strengths and weaknesses of the instrument in question. This reveals that they are in the business of assessments and knowledgeable about their competition.

**Our Place at the Table**

TTI Success Insights believes that each person has unique talents and skills of which they are often unaware. We exist to reveal and harness those talents and skills using the Science of Self™.

TTI SI is the only provider of DISC assessments in the marketplace that generates 384 unique reports, based on both the high and low scores revealed in each individual’s two DISC graphs (natural style graph and adapted style graph). We have adverse impact study, peer-reviewed research, validity studies and are EEOC and OFCCP approved.

If our cultural values and resources are right for your organization, please Call 561-582-6060

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