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Leading questions:

What is financial wellness?

What components make up a complete financial wellness program?

How is financial wellness measured?

What is wellness?

#### well·ness

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**Financial health** is a term used to describe the state of one's personal financial situation, including the amount of savings you have, how much you are setting away for retirement, and how much of your income you are spending on fixed or non-discretionary expenses.





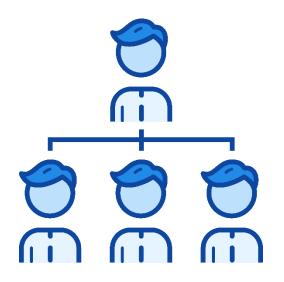
Definition for employees vs. employers:

#### **Employees**

Financial wellness is viewed as financial health and not necessarily accumulation of money or wealth.

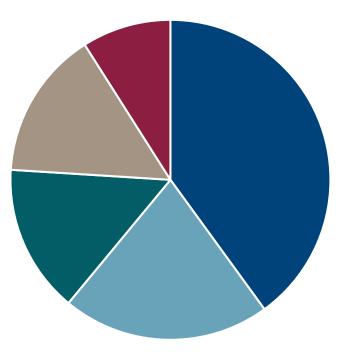
#### **Employers**

Financial wellness is achieved through a program designed to improve and/or change employee behaviors using a variety of methods.



Which of the following causes you the most stress?

Financial or money matters/challenges	40%
My job	21%
Health concerns	15%
Relationships	15%
Other	8%



Source: Wellness Under Construction, Pensions & Investments

Disability redt score Aging Parents Access to Credit Debt Management 403(b) Health Savings Account stock Options Healthcare Costs Estate Planning Estate Planning Income Tax Planning Student Loan Debt Bill Paying Social Security Living Will Pension Plan Bill Paying Social Security Living Will Pension Plan Umbrella Insurance Retirement Home Social Security Living Social Security Living Social Plan Umbrella Insurance Retirement Home Social Security Living So 3 in 5

Employees experience a moderate to high level of financial stress



46%

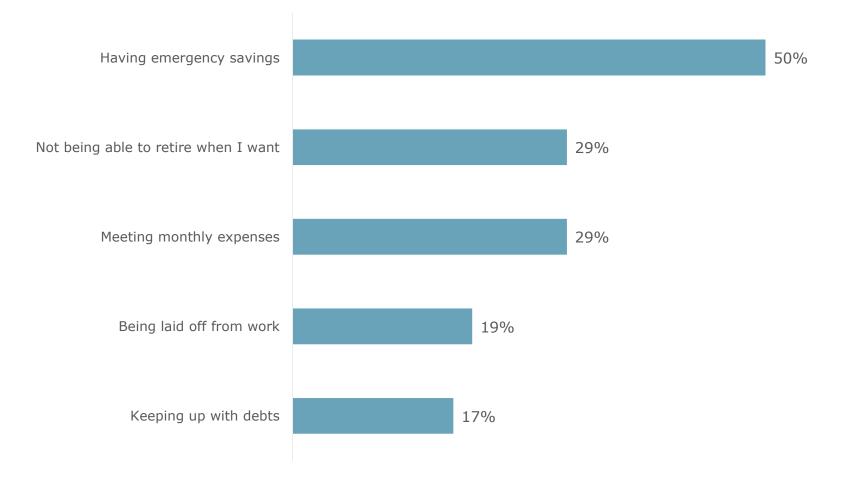
Of those distracted by their finances spend three or more work hours weekly dealing with personal finance issues

**19.5 days** 

Of lost productivity per worker annually

Source: State Street Global Advisors, "DC Investor Survey: Biannual Report," 2015; PwC, "Employee Financial Wellness Survey: 2017 Results," 2017.

#### **Top Financial Concerns**



Sources: PwC, "Employee Financial Wellness Survey: 2017 Results," 2017; New York Times, "Do Happier People Work Harder?," September 2011; AP/AOL, "Debt Stress: The Toll Owing Money Takes on the Body," 2008; State Street Global Advisors, "DC Investor Survey: Biannual Report," 2015.



# Financial stress leads to decreased employee productivity, increased absenteeism, and higher employer health care cost.

According to Gallup, workplace distractions, physical stress, employee dissatisfaction, and weakened job performance cost employers \$300 billion in lost productivity annually

A primary factor is a workforce ill-equipped for financial wellness

The resulting financial stress leads to a higher incidence of:

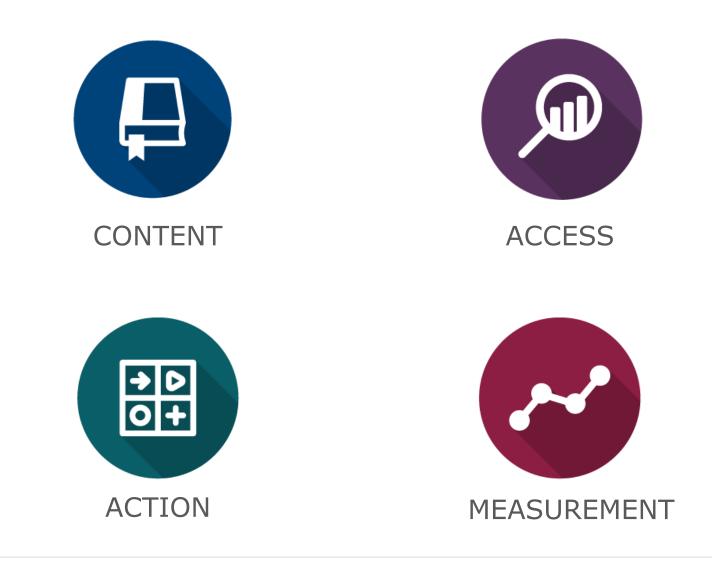
- Muscle tension/back pain
- Migraines
- Insomnia
- High blood pressure
- Stomach ulcers

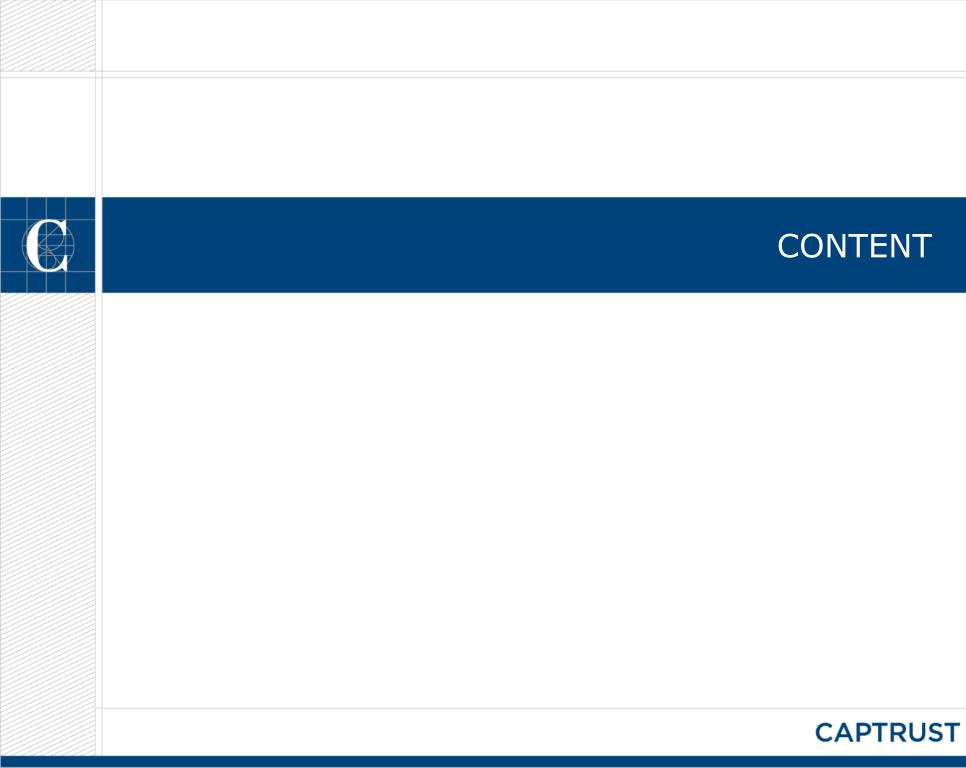
A workforce of financially stressed employees translates into more sick days, higher healthcare costs, and absenteeism

29% of defined contribution participants reported missing work to deal with the emotional stress caused by their finances

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What employers want included in their financial wellness program:







Top five most requested topics by employers:

1	Budgeting for day-to-day expenses
2	Managing debt (credit card, student loan, etc.)
3	Saving and planning for retirement
4	Emergency savings
5	Saving for major purchases
Other	Risk management Healthcare costs Asset allocation strategy Social security Estate planning

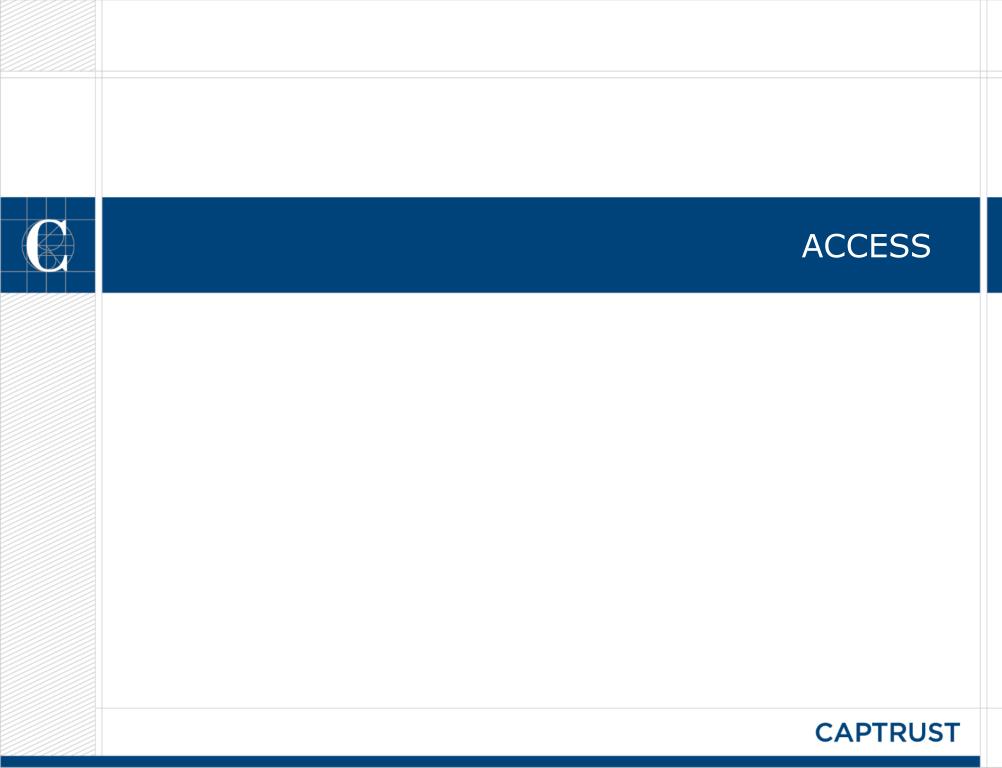
Source: CAPTRUST Research, Provider RFI Responses June 2017



#### Targeted advice based on life stage

EARLY CAREER	MID-CAREER	LATE CAREER
Budgeting questions	College savings	Social Security options
Emergency savings	Protecting family	Stock market exposure
Utilize the match	Automatic increase	Retirement preparation
Discussing plan design	Life events – marriage, children, divorce	Catch-up options
Auto features	Home ownership	Extending career
Determining saving amounts	Emergency savings	Investment strategies
Enrollment assistance	Determining saving amounts	Creating income
Health savings accounts (HSAs)	HSAs	Consolidating accounts
Investment recommendations	Investment advice	HSAs
Debt payoff strategies	Measuring progress	Saving rates and opportunities





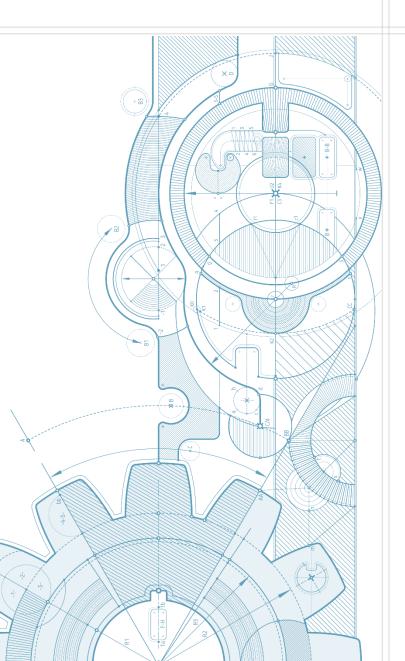
Where to turn for help:

- Benefits brokers
- Direct financial wellness providers
- Retirement plan providers
- Retirement plan consultants
- Associations



Typical components of financial wellness programs:

- Content and literature on primary wellness topics
- Retirement income guidance
- Financial assessment
- Financial account aggregation tools
- Communication materials for participant
   engagement
- One-on-one discussions (online chat or phone)
- Access to investment guidance



The terms *advice* and *education* are not synonymous.

**ad-vice / n:** a specific recommendation regarding a decision or specific course of action

- Fiduciary responsibility for advice provided
- Total retirement focus
- Highly individualized, one-on-one sessions
- Specific investment recommendations

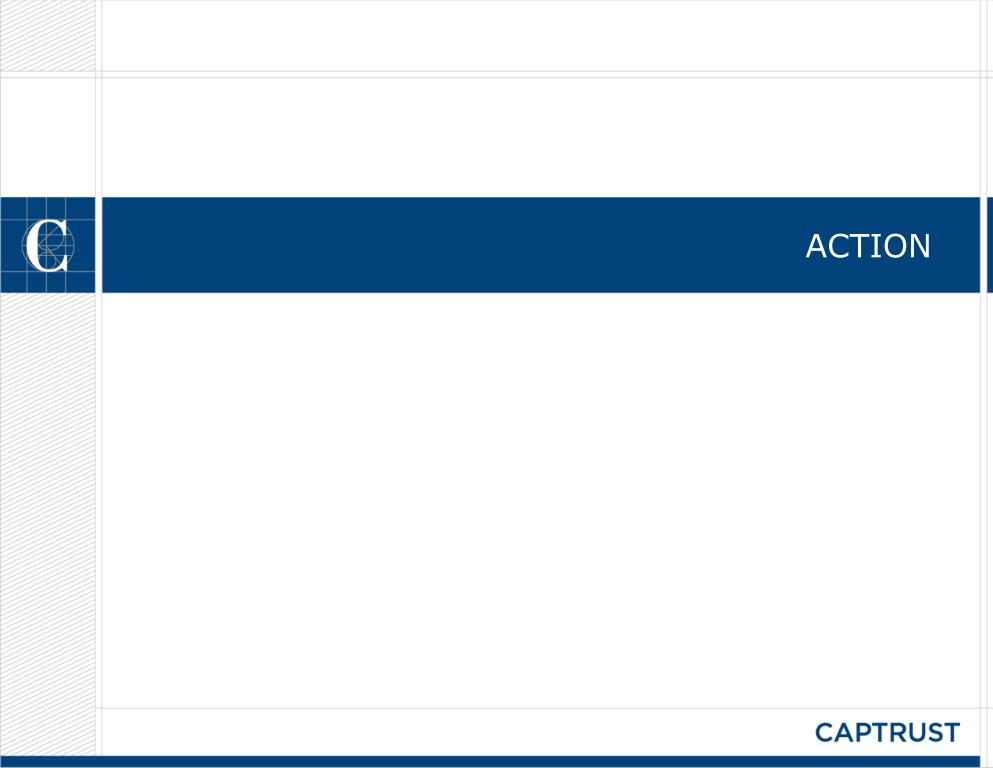
**ed·u·ca·tion** */n***:** the act or process of imparting general guidance to plan participants

- No fiduciary responsibility for information provided
- General plan information focus
- Financial and investment education
- Group and one-on-one sessions

PARTICIPANT QUESTIONS	EDUCATION	ADVICE
How exactly does the plan work? (Vesting, eligibility, paycheck impact, and employer match)	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$
What investments are in the plan?	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$
How much do I have in my account?	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$
Am I saving enough?		$\checkmark$
What investments should I pick? How much?		$\checkmark$
Will I be able to retire when I want to, and when will I be able to?		$\checkmark$
How should I allocate each of my investments?		$\checkmark$
How much income will I need in retirement?		$\checkmark$
How should I be thinking about Social Security as part of my retirement?		$\checkmark$

#### Financial wellness landscape:

	Educational Content	Educational Content with Tools	Educational Content with Tools, Including Behavioral Coaching
Breadth of Offering	Basic	Basic with Some Resources	Wellness
Service Model	Articles and videos on budgeting, debt management, credit scores, and healthcare costs	Articles and videos on wellness topics, along with accompanying tools, call center support, and technology that assist participants with planning in a self-service manner with usage reports	Robust content and technology focused on wellness, with the ability to make custom recommendations through a combination of tools <b>and</b> <b>human interaction</b> <b>providing</b> <b>recommendations that</b> <b>encourage behavioral</b> <b>change and measuring</b> <b>results and impact</b>
Cost	\$	\$\$	\$\$\$



Ideas for getting started:

- Survey employees
- Set up a focus group to discuss needs
- Independent research



Structure of a well-rounded financial wellness program:

- Educational content online specifically addressing multiple generations and a wide variety of topics
- Online tools that allow participants to aggregate their full financial picture, including elements of their current state of mind regarding financial health
- Access to a call center with integrated financial wellness tools, along with the ability to offer advice and help implementing advice
- Personalized interactions with independent and licensed financial advisors
- Buy-in from the employer
- Measurement and reporting of results







How does an employer measure success?

Goal	Options	Measurement
Financial health awareness	Provide online content covering wide- ranging financial topics; offer financial calculators with account aggregation options; create a savings priority checklist	<ul> <li>Access of online content</li> <li>Number of users accessing calculators</li> <li>Online measurement of active profile updates</li> </ul>
Increase plan participation	Add auto-features; targeted mailing to eligible employees; in-person enrollment meetings	<ul><li>Participation rate</li><li>Email open rates</li><li>Activity log</li></ul>
Increase diversification of investments/deferral changes	Promote allocation funds; targeted mailings driven by age and deferral data; in-person, one-on-one advice meetings	<ul> <li>Fund usage rates</li> <li>Activity log</li> <li>Asset allocation shifts</li> </ul>
Improve emotional state/well-being	Online surveys; direct participant feedback; wellness evaluations	<ul> <li>Wellness scores over time</li> <li>Changes in emotional state</li> <li>Survey completion rates</li> </ul>

#### **Better Outcomes for Employees**

#### **Better Outcomes for Employers**



88% of those who received help invested appropriately for their risk tolerance levels



A one-year delay in an employee's retirement results in \$50,000 of increased workforce costs



Meanwhile, only 39% of those who went unadvised invested appropriately



Across an entire workforce, the same delay could raise workforce costs by 1.0 to 1.5%

When a professional advisor calculates the amount an employee needs to save to achieve his goals, deferral amounts increased by an average of \$1,150 per year



Employers who have a financial wellness program see healthcare costs decrease by as much as 4.5%

Sources: Financial Engines and Aon Hewitt Study, "Help in Defined Contribution Plans: 2006 Through 2010," 2011; Center for Retirement Research at Boston College, "Do Income Projections Affect Retirement Saving?," April 2013; Prudential, "Why Employers Should Care About the Cost of Delayed Retirement," 2017; Corporate Wellness Magazine, "Beyond the Paycheck: When Does a Financial Wellness Program Make Sense?."

Roadblocks to Implementation of Financial Wellness



Resources  $\rightarrow$  when can we make it happen?



Implementation  $\rightarrow$  who will champion the program?



Business case  $\rightarrow$  how to quantify value?



Cost  $\rightarrow$  can it be viewed as an investment to improve business?

Ideal Summary of Outcome

The ideal outcome would be a less stressed, more engaged, and productive workforce. This more engaged workforce would create a ripple effect both at work and at home.



## QUESTIONS

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