## Making Change Stick

Behavior Science to improve user adoption in a records management program

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#### Challenges with User Adoption

55%



of Records Management Projects

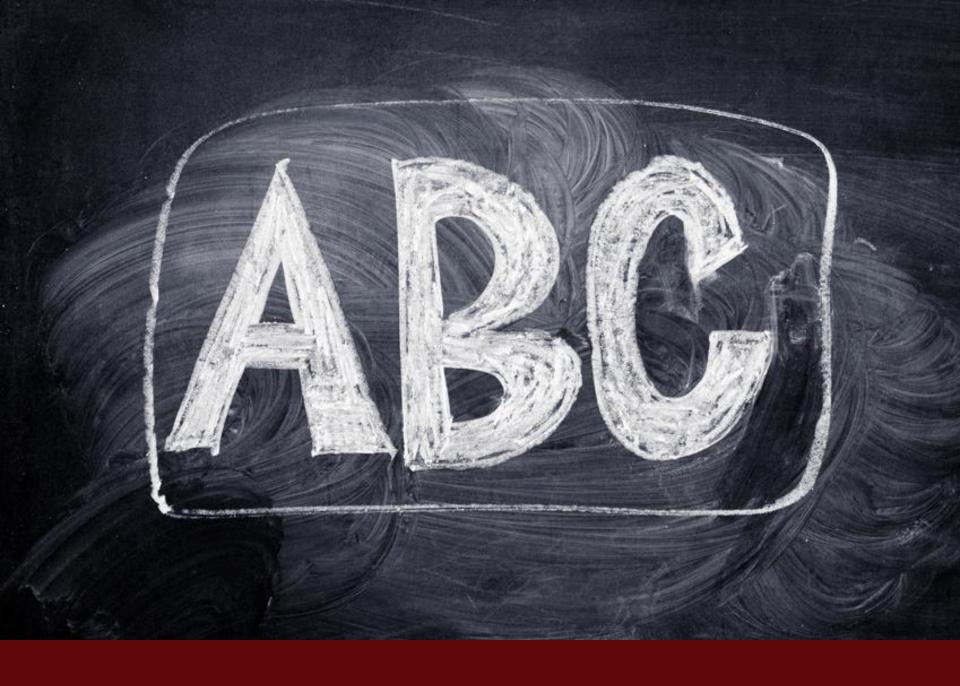
## Traditional Approaches to Change

- Planning
- Technical Training
- Setting expectations
- Communication
- Execution
- Buy-in/consensus building
- Leadership setting the model

#### Exercise 1

- Think of your own work
- What approaches have you seen/used for user adoption?
- Write each strategy on a sticky note





### Diagnosing User Adoption

Antecedents	Behavior	Consequences	Effect?
Before Behavior	During	After	

## ABC Example

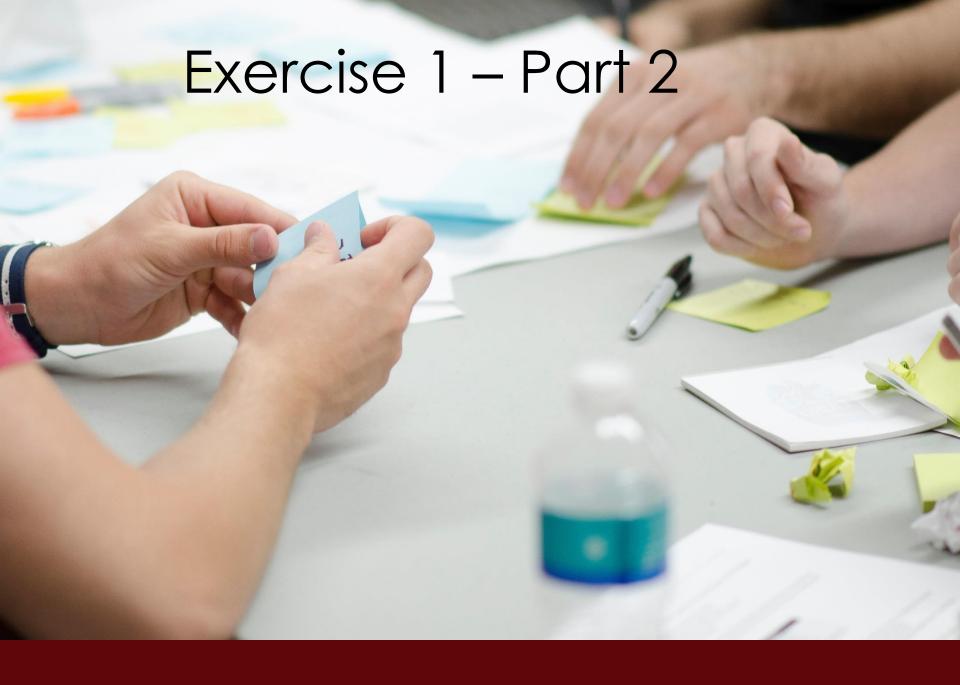
Antecedents	Behavior	Consequences	Effect?
<ul> <li>Candy in the store</li> <li>Hungry Child</li> <li>Parent present</li> <li>Other people around</li> </ul>	Child cries "I want candy!"	<ul> <li>Parent gives child candy</li> <li>Other people look at child</li> </ul>	

## ABC Example

Antecedents	Behavior	Consequences	Effect?
<ul> <li>Deadline for report</li> <li>Other projects</li> </ul>	Employee submits report ahead of schedule	<ul> <li>Boss says, "guess I'm not giving you enough work!"</li> <li>Employee given additional reports to complete</li> </ul>	

### ABC Example

Antecedents	Behavior	Consequences	Effect?
<ul> <li>Told to destroy personal records after storage</li> <li>Training on new process</li> </ul>	Business user keeps copy of record in personal e-mail	<ul> <li>Boss praise for quickly producing information in email</li> <li>May have security issue in the future</li> </ul>	



#### Approaches to Change

- Design the system in a way to "reduce friction" and make the process support the business
- Pinpoint key adoption metrics and provide frequent feedback on those metrics to all involved (senior leaders + Business users)
- Provide leaders with a tool for feedback and reinforcement
- Incorporate user adoption into senior leaders' measures
- Coaching performers
- Feedback from business users
- Recognize and reward early and frequent adopters
- Reward/recognize those who are making an effort to adopt
- Provide ongoing support and resources

#### Exercise 2

- Think about past or current change efforts you have been involved in
- Pick one
- Identify and sort the Antecedents and Consequences that can support user adoption
- Be prepared to **share** with the group
- Take 5 minutes

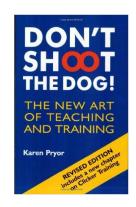


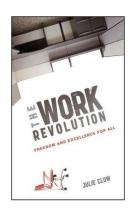
# Leading Change and Generating User Adoption

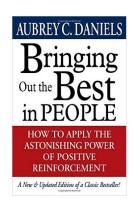
- Antecedents will get change started
- Consequences are essential in getting change to stick
- And Positive consequences are much more effective at encouraging adoption than negative "fear-based" consequences

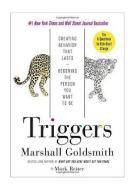












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