## WHY HOSPITAL ADMINISTRATORS FAIL

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## (each item starts with "FAILURE TO...")

- 1. ... deal with problem staff
- 2. ... reinforce positive "MOMENTS" as close to the "inspired moment" as possible
- 3. ...recognize people publically and more than 4x / year
- 4. ... truly "own" why change management fails
- 5. ... train managers how to give feedback frequently (relevant / growth framework, not critical or judgmental)
- 6. ... orchestrate a movement **YOU** want system-wide
- 7. ... deal with curmudgeons and sacred cows
- 8. ... "grow" staff into leaders (without a title)
- 9. ... convert procedures and policies into a living document that everyone has on their phones and close by in a binder (think NASA, International Space Station and zero gravity manuals)

- 10. ... bequeath decision-making to front-line staff without having to "run it by my supervisor"
- 11. ... understand fully the kiss of death in a hospital: "I have to run it by my supervisor"
- 12. ... fire immature people with power
- 13. ... lead people who lead other people \*
- 14. ... walk around the inside of the entire building...FREQUENTLY!!!
- 15. ... deal with other peoples' root cause fear
- 16. ... entertain patients who are your captive audience
- 17. ... invest in your patients' curiosity with "bullet to the brain" wisdom that complements their "wise-ness" (non-medical, naturally)
- 18. ... receive 110% Board members buy-in to the mission, both individually & collectively
- 19. ...establish "legacy" committees with real authority to move the hospital needle
- 20. ...constantly raise money money money and awareness and community involvement
- 21. ... (and a whole bunch more FAILURE TO's)
- 22. ... (insert your REAL PROBLEMS here)
- 23. ...not confront a board member who is polluting your efforts consistently

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What are Culture Shift Raw Materials?
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