PRACTICAL AND IMPACTFUL

## TIME MANAGEMENT

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"I DON'T HAVE TIME."

**Every Pharmacist** 

### **PART ONE - IMPORTANT QUESTIONS**

- ► What is Time Management?
- ► Why is it Important?
- ► How Can it Help Me and the Pharmacies I Coach?

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### PART TWO - THE "HOW TO"

- ► Making Your List
- ► How and What to Delegate
- Prioritization Strategies

#### WHAT IS TIME MANAGEMENT?

- ► The process of <u>planning</u> and <u>exercising</u> <u>conscious control</u> of time spent on specific activities, especially to increase effectiveness, efficiency and productivity.
  - Planning Looking at your schedule and blocking off time
  - ► Exercising Following through
  - Conscious Control be less reactionary



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#### WHY IS TIME MANAGEMENT IMPORTANT?

- ► The process of planning and exercising conscious control of time spent on specific activities, especially to increase effectiveness, efficiency and productivity.
  - ► Effectiveness producing a result
  - Efficiency maximizing effectiveness with minimum wasted effort
  - Productivity profitability



#### **MULTITASKING IN PHARMACY**

- ► Prescription Verification
- ► Patient Consultations
- ► Answering the Phone
- Managing Patient and Employee Expectations
- Administering Vaccines
- Getting Angry Over DIR Fees and Falling Reimbursements

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#### **OTHER ACTIVITIES**

- ► Email
- ► Practice Transformation
- ► Exploring New Revenue Streams
- ► Reviewing Financials
- ► Hiring Staff

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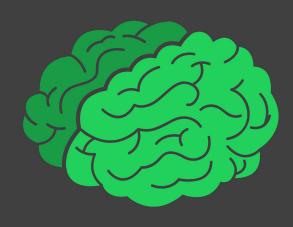
#### **HOW CAN BETTER TIME MANAGEMENT HELP?**

- ► There is always going to be the demands of a pharmacist workday that you can't control.
- ► Since we aren't in control of all of the time in our workday, it becomes even more important to avoid pitfalls that can steal our time.
- It allows us to waste less time by eliminating context switching.

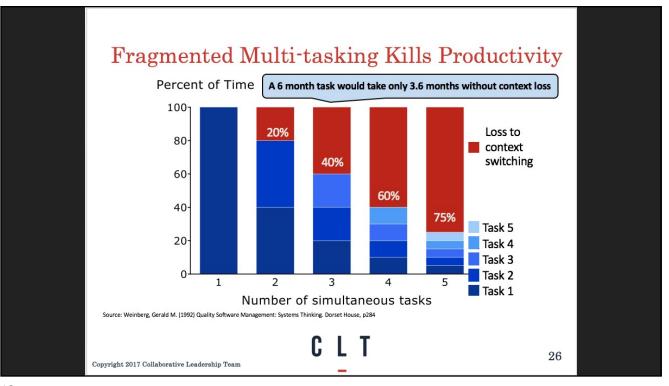
It can take up to
25 minutes to fully regain focus after even a short
3-minute interruption.

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Only 2.5% of the people has the physical ability to multitask.



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"WHEN EVERYTHING IS IMPORTANT, NOTHING IS."

Patrick Lencioni

#### **HOW TO BETTER MANAGE TIME**

- ► Make a list
- ► Decide what to delegate and/or eliminate
- Prioritize

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#### **MAKE YOUR LIST**

- Lists provide organization and structure and help us stay on track
- ► Not everything on your list is created equal
- Don't become obsessed with just crossing items off the list
- ► The magic happens when we know how to strategically attack our list

#### To-Do List

- Research Patient Assistance Program Software
- Hire Pharmacy Manager
- Revamp Process for Giving Long Acting Injectables
- Prep for Pharmacy Inventory
- Research Best Option for Compliance Packaging for PACT patient
- · Prepare Pharmacy Budget for Next Year
- Prepare Quarterly Pharmacy Report
- Recruit Chief Medical Officer

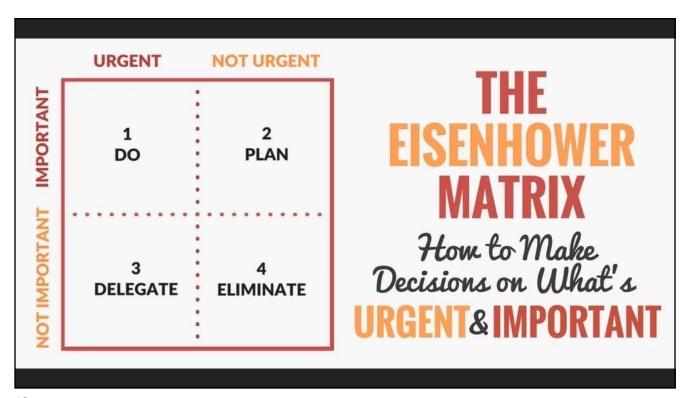
#### **CREATE A LIST OF YOUR OWN**

- ► Ideas to get you started
  - ► Document and Submit eCare plans
  - ► Hire Pharmacy Technician
  - ► Enroll patients in diabetes management program
  - ► Schedule patients for COVID vaccine
  - ► Document COVID vaccine administration
  - ► Enroll patients in MedSync program

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#### **IMPORTANT VS. URGENT (THE EISENHOWER MATRIX)**

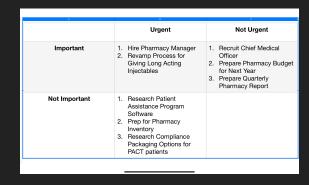
- If we can start to think about our list in terms of important vs. urgent ,we will know what to:
  - ▶ Do
  - ▶ Plan
  - ▶ Delegate
  - ► Eliminate



STEPHEN COVEY'S TIME MANAGEMENT MATRIX		
	Urgent	NOT URGENT
Т	Quadrant 1	Quadrant 2
IMPORTANT	Crises High-Impact Deadlines Pressing Problems	Being Organized Building Relationships Planning Exercise and Recreation
TN	Quadrant 3	Quadrant 4
NOT IMPORTANT	Interruptions Some Phone Calls Some e-Mail	Busy Work Some Phone Calls Some e-Mail Time Wasters Doing Nothing

### **ORGANIZE YOUR MATRIX**

- What's Urgent
- ► What's Important



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### **LAST STEP - FINALIZE YOUR PRIORITIES**

- ► Focus on anything that ended up in Quadrant One
- ► These should be both urgent and important

#### THE ONE THING

- When more than one thing ends up in quadrant one in my Eisenhower matrix, I use the approach in this book.
- What's the ONE THING you can do that by doing such will make everything easier or unnecessary?



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### WHAT WAS MY

# ONE THING?

