



## 6 Inclusive Behaviors for Highly Effective Managers

Equip Your People Leaders to Improve Employee Sentiment and Engagement

### How Can Managers Combat Disengagement on Their Teams?

On average, more than 85% of employees are currently disengaged from their job. In the United States, this “disengagement tax” costs the economy nearly \$500 billion each year. People managers are the key to mitigating this talent debt. They influence a team’s ability to collaborate, network, innovate, and feel psychologically safe—important building blocks for organizational success. During a recent Employee Voice Session<sup>SM</sup>, our anonymous employee listening environment, our team of experts identified specific manager actions and behaviors that make employees feel included.

#### 1 Listen Differently

Of the employees who felt included, **2x** as many reported having a manager who engaged in these 6 behaviors.

“I never receive feedback. I will receive negative comments if I make mistakes, but never receive coaching to improve in my weaker areas.”

—Employee Voice Session Participant Anon-598

#### 2 Act Intentionally

Areas where managers can make the greatest impact include:

- Check-ins and feedback
- Opportunities to innovate and contribute
- Building or expanding professional networks
- Decision-making and delegation

#### 3 Monitor Regularly

Routinely check employee sentiments to identify any vulnerabilities before societal crises and economic uncertainties impact your workforce.

#### 6 Ways Employees Say Managers Made Them Feel Included

Percentage of employees by perception of inclusion

Maintain regular contact with them

16% Don't Feel Included, 34% Feel Included

Get to know them personally

20% Don't Feel Included, 59% Feel Included

Empower them to make decisions

15% Don't Feel Included, 43% Feel Included

Make sure every team member is heard

23% Don't Feel Included, 58% Feel Included

Make it safe for team members to propose new ideas

20% Don't Feel Included, 47% Feel Included

Help them build social connections

39% Don't Feel Included, 69% Feel Included

■ Don't Feel Included ■ Feel Included



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