

### Getting your Board on Board

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## Healthy Organizations Have Healthy Boards



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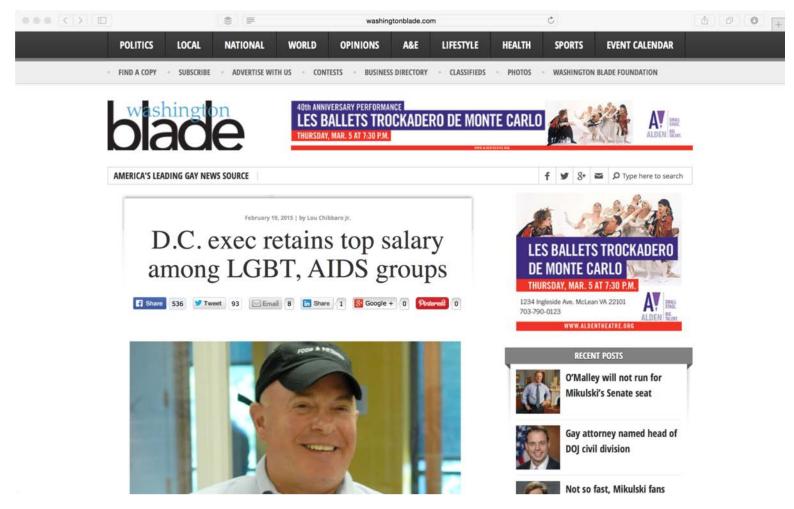
"Volunteer board members deserve to have engaging and rewarding volunteer experiences. Nonprofits deserve to have the leadership and support of a board that brings their best to every meeting and to the organization."

-Jeff Wahlstrom

Is Your Board Ready for Self Assessment? A guide for non-profit leaders.

-Starboard Leadership Consulting, LLC







#### Rationale for Boards of Directors



- Tax Exemption
- Governing Body
- Governance and Management

Form 990

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

#### Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)

Do not enter social security numbers on this form as it may be made public.

Information about Form 990 and its instructions is at <a href="https://www.irs.gov/form990">www.irs.gov/form990</a>.

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# Governance and Management United Unit

- The IRS defines seven key areas:
  - Executive Compensation
  - Conflicts of Interest
  - Investments
  - Fundraising
  - Governing Body Records
  - Document Retention and Destruction
  - Ethics and Whistleblowers

## Areas of Board Member Responsibility



- Mission and Vision
- Accountability and Transparency
- Leadership
- Resource Adequacy
- Financial Management
- Assessment
- Strategic Planning



## Fiduciary Duties

- Duty of Care
- Duty of Loyalty
- Duty of Obedience





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#### 4-Stage Sector Transformation **Process**



#### **EDUCATE**

- CHANGES
  - Policy
  - Financing
  - Service Delivery **Systems**
- ISSUES:
  - Identity
  - Business Model
- SKILLS:
- Advocacy
- Scenario **Planning**
- Succession Planning

#### **ENERGIZE**/ CATALYZE

- Assess Organizational Readiness
  - Executive Director
  - Board
  - Staff
  - Clients
- Engage National & **Local Funders**
- Trust Building

#### **EXPLORE**

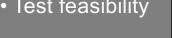
- Actively support organizations to:
  - Explore options
  - Identify possible partners
  - Test feasibility



- Merge
- Grow
- Go

#### **EXECUTE**

- Actively support organizations to engage in a structural transformation process
  - Collaborations
  - Business Model Conversion (ASO to FQHC)
  - Strategic **Alliances**
  - Strategic Restructuring
  - Responsible Closure







#### AIDS and Health Sector Transformation

**AIDS SERVICE** 

**PROVIDER** 

**NEW BUSINESS ENTERPRISE** 

For

ASOs, SEPs & (CHCs)

BUSINESS MODEL

**Transformation** 

**ASO IDENTITY** 

**Transformation** 

AIDS SERVICE/SPECIFIC

**ORGANIZATION** 

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#### FORM follows FUNCTION

#### ASO to FQHC Conversion

## Strategic Alliances To Develop New Service Models:

- Admin. Consolidation
- Formal Co-education of Staff
- Preferred Provider Referrals
- Resource Sharing/ContractingCash, Staff, EHR, etc.
- Co-location
- Integration w/ Primary Care

## Strategic Restructuring:

- Accountable Care Organizations
- Mergers
- Acquisitions

#### **Collaboration:**

- Info Sharing
- •Referrals
- Joint Planning

## Responsible Closures

(To Ensure Continuity of Care!!!!)



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#### **Strategic Alliances To**

Strategic Restructuring:

Care

YOU CAN'T DECIDE WHAT STRUCTURE YOU WANT UNTIL YOU GO THORUGH THE PROCESS OF DESIGINING YOUR **NEW SERVICE MODEL**.

THE DESIGN AND GOALS OF THE NEW SERVICE MODEL WILL HELP TO IDENTIFY WHAT FUNCTIONS YOU NEED THE ORG STRUCTURE TO SERVE.

ONCE YOU KNOW WHAT FUNCTIONS YOU NEED IT TO SERVE, YOU CAN DETRMINE WHAT FORM IT SHOULD TAKE!

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Founding Identity

**Evolving Identity** 



#### Top Things that Slow or Derail Restructuring

- Founder's Syndrome
  - Typically Executive & Board Levels (but can be staff or clients)
- Ambivalent or Inexperienced Exec. Leadership
- Pre-existing and/or Ongoing Board Dysfunction
- Dancing Around the "M" word MERGER....
- Org. Identity Syndrome
  - Name, Logo, Location
- Incorporation Syndrome
  - Who's 501(c)(3) Status will we use? Or New?





### Three Key Questions

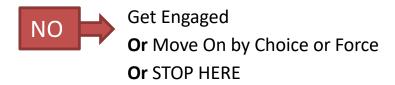
 These are essential questions each board member and the board as a whole must assess BEFORE engaging in any restructuring effort:

Do I and does our Board, as a body, know my/our respective <u>roles & responsibilities</u>?





Am I, and is our Board, as a body, <u>Actively</u> <u>Engaged</u> in these roles/responsibilities?





Are my individual and our collective actions:

<u>Useful to the Organization?</u>

<u>Respectful to Board Peers?</u>

<u>Supportive of the Executive Leadership?</u>



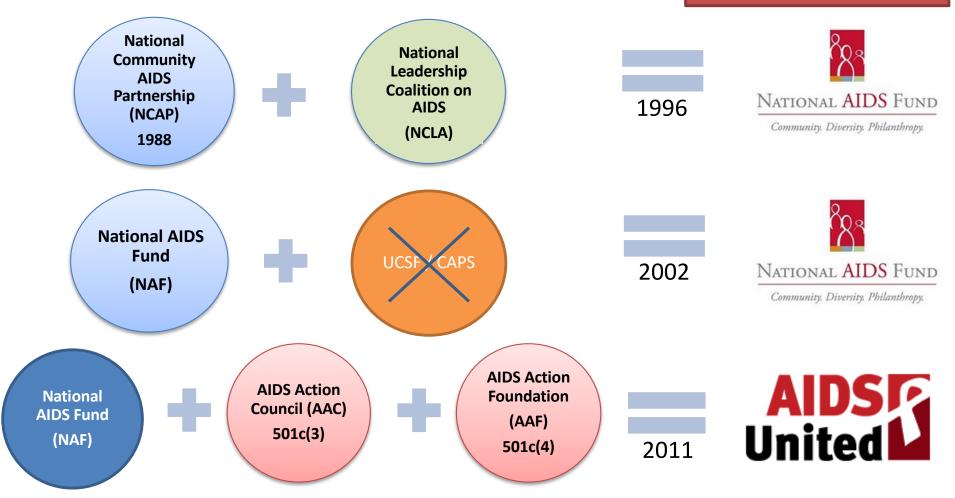
Decide to and Act in a way that Serves the Organization

**Or** Move On by Choice or Force **Or** STOP HERE

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## Fundamental Paradigm Shift

 $1+1 = \mathbf{1}$   $1+0 = \mathbf{1}$   $1+1+1 = \mathbf{1}$ 





## "Culture Eats Strategy for Breakfast"

-Attributed to Peter Drucker by Ford Motor Company Executive, 2006











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### Externally Focused Readiness Factors

- Understand the External Environment
  - What & How the policy, payer, political forces are affecting your current and future service model and business model sustainability?
- Get clear on "WHY" Why are we considering strategic restructuring?
- Get clear on "TIMING" How Urgent is the Timeline?
- What is your Market Position?
- This is a PROCESS, not an event!
  - Assess, Explore, Execute, Implement,
     Post Merger Integration





### Internally Focused Readiness Factors

- What is the Level of Trust & Rapport?
  - Among Board Members? Board & Executive Leadership? Exec. Leaders & Mgmt Team? Among Staff? Between Staff and Clients? Between Org & Community?
- What Resources are You Prepared to Invest?
  - Staff Time, Active Board Engagement (Merger Committee), Outside Facilitation & Cash
- What is your Current Organizational Structure & How does it Operate?
  - Operational Systems? Decision-making processes? Founder Syndrome?
     Staff Morale? Executive Energy Level?
- What is your Current and Desired Organizational Culture?
  - Clan? Adhocracy? Hierarchy? Market? (Competing Values Framework - Cameron & Quinn, 1999)

## Phases of Strategic Restructuring This is a PROCESS not an Event!



- 1. Assessment
  - External Environment
  - Internal Readiness

**Board Vote to Pursue Exploratory Process** 

- 2. Exploration (Partners, Models, Consultants, Funders)
  - Select Partner: Execute MOA & Confidentiality Agreements
  - Select Neutral External Facilitator
  - Preview with Funders
  - Outline Intended Processes & Select Internal Strategic Restructuring Committee(s) (aka. Negotiating Committee)

**Board Vote to Pursue WITH SPECIFIC PARTNER** 

## Phases of Strategic Restructuring (continued)



#### Board Vote to Pursue WITH SPECIFIC PARTNER

- 3. Execution Working Collaboratively with Selected Partner(s)
  - Due Diligence "Deal Maker Deal Breaker List"
  - Develop Shared Vision
  - Design New Service Model
  - Cultural Assessments
  - Assess Fiscal Feasibility

Board Vote: NO TURNING BACK

- 4. Implementation
  - Final Staffing Plans
  - Communications Role Out
  - Filing Necessary Legal & Corporate Documents
- 5. Post Merger Integration WHERE THE WORK BEGINS

## Questions?



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