



# Webinar on "Quality of Hires - The New Hiring Metric"

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### Preview

- Commonly used Hiring metrics
- Defining and Measuring 'Quality of Hire'
- Steps in defining and measuring Quality of Hires in your organization
- Influencing Business to focus on Quality vs. Quantity of Hires
  - Way forward- Implementing the Measure



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### The importance of metrics

"If it cannot be measured, it cannot be improved" a quote attributed to Lord Kelvin

Metrics distinguishes fact from fiction... metrics is data expressed in a format that lends itself to meaningful analysis

Wrong data or incorrectly defined metrics can produce completely erroneous results

The science of Analytics depends on carefully crafted metrics for its success



## "Quality of Hire"



How do you define "quality of hire"?

To answer this question, it is important to understand the purpose of hiring:

IF YOUR PURPOSE IS: to hire against a job vacancy... to hire for a role... to hire for a career...

#### THE CRITERIA YOU USE WILL BE:

Does the candidate meet the specs? Does the candidate fit the role? Does the candidate match the organisation profile?

Note: In each succeeding option, the criteria that you use includes the criteria for the previous option

Quality of hiring is therefore is the extent to which the candidate, on selection, fits the purpose for which she has been hired



# **Quality of Hiring**

Has two components:

- Result: Quality of Hire
- Effort: Quality of Hiring Process

**Quality of Hiring** can therefore be defined as ensuring the standardization and rigour of a hiring process that delivers:

- high Quality of Hires
- over large numbers
- consistently
- over a sustained period of time



A leading indicator gives a signal BEFORE the new trend or reversal occurs.

A lagging indicator gives a signal AFTER the new trend or reversal occurs.





### **Introducing Lead and Lag measures**

#### Q: Can you measure Quality of hire during the selection process?

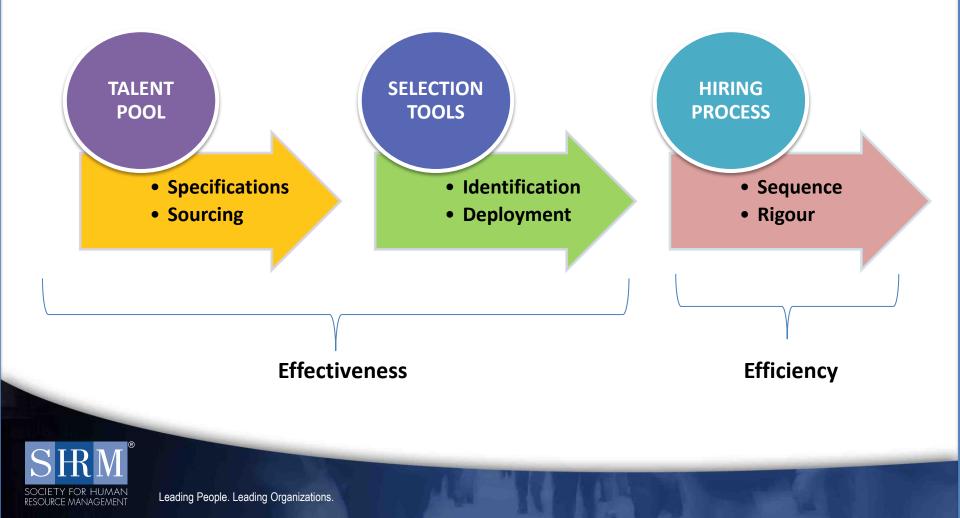
Quality of hire will ultimately be measured *post facto* i.e. only after the candidate has been selected and has been performing in his or her position for some time... however, you can predict to a reasonable extent whether a candidate is likely to meet quality of hire criterion. This is the quality of your hiring process

#### Q: How do we predict quality of hire?

There are Lead and Lag measures. Lead measures are those which precede, or are during, a process; lag measures are those which follow the completion of the process. Prediction is usually done by defining the correct lead measures and applying them



### **Understanding the Hiring Process Flow**



### **Measures to increase Effectiveness**

#### **LEAD MEASURES**

- Source Quality ~
- Person ~ Job fit \_\_\_\_
- Organisational fit
- Selection instrument reliability
- Selection instrument
  consistency
- Effective Resourcing
- Resource Training

#### LAG MEASURES

- Drop Out rate in the hiring funnel
- Infantile Mortality rates
- End of Year Performance
- Valuable Employee Assessment
- Hiring Cost



### **Measures to increase Efficiency**

#### **LEAD MEASURES**

- Extent of Planning
- Quality of Resources
- Process Improvement measures

#### LAG MEASURES

- Yield at various stages
- Turnaround times at various stages
- Meeting Hiring Budgets



### **Steps to improve Quality of Hires**

Define the constituents of Quality (of hires)

**Determine the lag measures to measure the quality** 

Prioritise the needs for improvement

Analyse which processes contribute to higher quality

Determine the parameters that control these processes

Use analytics to determine areas for process improvement

Implement the insights from the Analytics exercise



## **Quality versus Quantity of Hires**

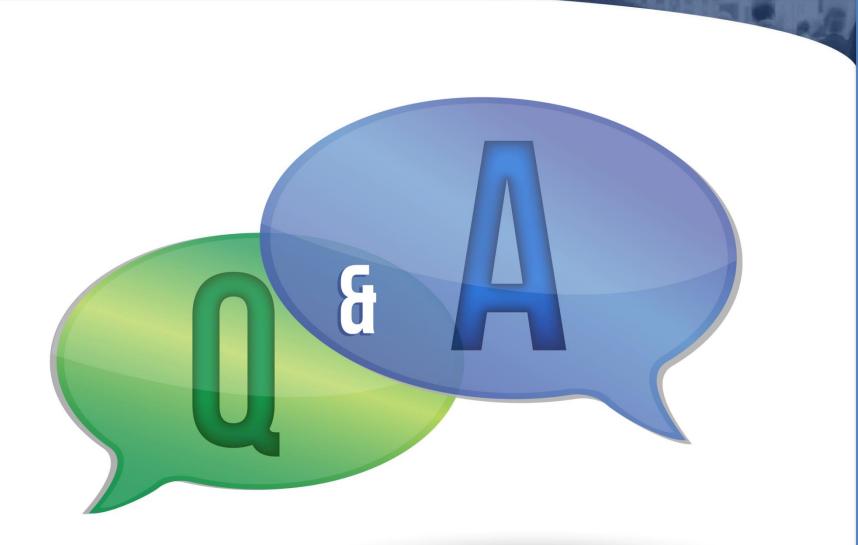
- The cost of wrong or bad hiring and the cost of under or over-hiring can be enormous
- Use Analytics to keep track of the cost of ineffective and / or inefficient hiring
- Focus on improving the hiring process using metrics
- Determine the gains in engagement and productivity due to improved hiring



### Way Forward

- Create awareness of the cost of ineffective and inefficient hiring
- Set up systems and processes to capture hiring data as part of normal operating processes
- Convert data into metrics
- Use Analytics to constantly improve hiring
- Measure the improvement









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