

# Safe, Skilled and Productive Supervisors

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### **Today's Discussion**

- Skills Strategy research
- Expectations of Supervisors
- Supervisor Focus Group
- Supervisor Framework
- Pilot Case Studies
- Final reflections
- Supervisor Framework Launch



### **Mining Industry Skills Centre**

To assure the timely development of a sustainable, skilled workforce aligned to the industry's requirements



The **aim** of the Mining Industry Skills
Strategy is to develop a holistic
approach for the mining industry
to ensure the timely development of a
skilled and sustainable workforce
that meets its needs



### **Expectations of Supervisors**

What do we expect of our Front Line Supervisors?



#### **Research Stimulus Statements**

- Managers and Supervisors are provided effective training and mentoring
- Enhancing current workforce capability is linked to all strategic business plans within the mining industry
- The interface between safety and compliance training is allowing the mining sites to create a safe and productive workforce



### **Major Research Findings**

#### Lack of:

- Realistic timelines given to Supervisor training
- industry experience
- Legitimate & equitable recruitment processes
- Understanding of the skills required
- Supervisor's understanding their role
- Development of 'soft' skills
- Career progression procedure
- Mentoring or support



### Challenge

For the industry to have leading practice training and mentoring options to produce highly skilled Supervisors and Managers



### **Members of the Supervisor Focus Group**

- BHP Billiton Mitsubishi Alliance
- Peabody
- Downer Edi
- Walters
- G&S Engineering
- Macarthur Coal
- Leighton Contractors

- Kagge Mining Solutions
- Arrow Energy NL
- Legra Mining Services
- SMS Management & Technology
- TQ Mining Services
- Torgas
- Axiom College



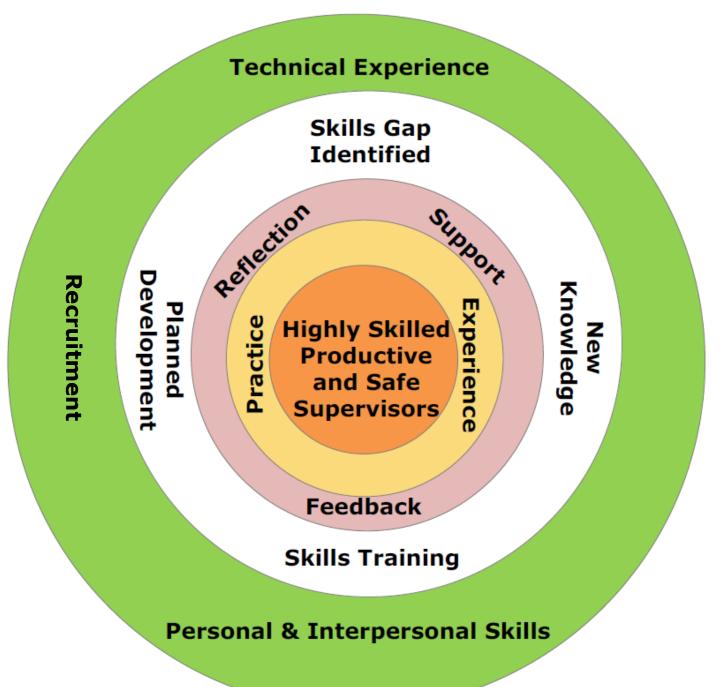
# Supervisor Focus Group's Response

It does not matter how good a Supervisor training product is if the appropriate Supervisor recruitment, training coaching and monitoring is neglected



### Supervisor Focus Group's Charter

To provide the industry with a leading practice framework that provides the appropriate foundation to produce highly skilled Supervisors and Managers





### **Supervisor Framework**

Part A Recruitment	<ul><li>Supervisor Skills Sets#</li><li>Recruitment Tool#</li></ul>
Part B Training	<ul> <li>Skills Training &amp; Mentoring Guide#</li> <li>Development Plan</li> <li>Day in the Life of a Supervisor#</li> <li>Mapping Skills Sets to Competencies</li> <li>Tips for:         <ul> <li>Communication with Management &amp; Crew*</li> <li>Tool Box Meetings*</li> </ul> </li> </ul>



### **Supervisor Framework**

## Part C Mentoring & Monitoring

- Mentor Types & Attributes
- Benefits and Components for mentoring success
- Mentoring Planning Tools
- Management Support Tool\*
- What is workplace coaching



### Pilot Case Studies

Reflection

#### Part A - Recruitment Supervisor Skill Sets

Win Win Communication

 Facilitates outcome orientated communication

Personal and

Interpersonal

Skills

Technical,

Professional

and

Operational

Knowledge

Leadership

Behaviours

and Practices

 Adapts communication and negotiation styles to people and objectives

Adaptability

- · Ability to works under pressure
- · Awareness of what change means to
- · Flexibility to respond to change in plans

Workplace Communication

- · Establishes good interpersonal relationships
- Check understanding of communication from others
- · Maintains audience attention in toolbox meetings
- Shares important and relevant information with the
- · Gains commitment
- Speaks with authority · Provides effective feedback to team
- Engages with different audiences · Communicates and feeds back issues to management

Writes to the needs of the audience

Conflict Management

- · Opens discussions effectively and clarifies current situations
- Objectively views conflict from all sides Negotiates responsively

Natural Strengths

- Displays emotional intelligence
- Demonstrates initiative
- Demonstrates assertiveness · Applies realism to situations
- Uses discretion
- Applies creative thinking
- · Empathises with others
- Maintains a positive outlook · Demonstrates safety attitude
- Demonstrates team player attitude
- · Has an appropriate perception of risk
- Works beyond principal accountabilities
- Confidence
- Ideas person

Technical Knowledge

- Has the necessary tickets, competencies and qualifications
- Understands and applies the technical requirement of the
- Has numeracy and literacy skills required for the position
- Demonstrates an understanding of systems and processes . Is effective and disciplined in the use of management
- · Maintains currency of technical skills
- · Computer Skills are aligned to the requirements of the
- systems and processes

Industry Experience

- Reliant work history
- Exposure to workplace systems · Familiar with all workplace operations
- Articulates the role of a supervisor
- Articulates the function of the supervisor role
- Establishes and uses networks
- · Acted in supervisory roles

Productivity Management

- · Effectively manages operational plan
- · Plans for effective crew performance
- Production demands that impact on their crew are
- Meets productivity targets · Ensures high quality output
- · Has exposure to project management
- Demonstrated forecasting and problem solving skills
- Prioritises critical activities and considers alternative actions when required

Safety Awareness

- Effective application of legislative requirements
- · Application of internal processes
- · Demonstrated use of hazard identification and risk management processes
- · Articulates why the SMS (Safety Management
- System) is there and how it operates
- · Articulates reasons for SOP's
- · Does not take shortcuts that expose
- people and themselves to risk · First Aid knowledge

Planning and Organising

- Demonstrates an understanding of the operational issues of crew management
- Assigns tasks and subsequent resources required
- Schedules and plans crew tasks · Equipment sourcing and restrictions are
- applied when required Ability to manage leave requests
- Requisition
- Utilises systems and tools
- · Ability to apply strategic thinking

Organisational Culture

- hehaviour
- Prioritises Hazard Identification Strives towards Developmental
- · Practices aligned to
- organisational culture Supports Superintendent

Promotes and

Implements change

Prepares for resistance to change

Monitors effectiveness of change

· Creates a clear view of the future

that helps others see the vision

Compels action by conveying

Prepares for change

Coaching & Mentoring

- Best Practice focus
- Demonstrates safety
- Learning Environment

- Clarifies expected behaviours and explains and demonstrates by providing instruction and positive modeling
- Provides feedback and
- Establishes good interpersonal relationships

People Management

- · Manages the teams and individual skills effectively
- Ensures Team Motivation and Engagement
- · Manages interpersonal and inter-group conflict
- · Contributed to building high performing teams
- · Assesses and manages performance
- Empowers others to reach goals
- Manages problem employees Gives regular feedback on performance and individuals
- · Links team development with business strategies
- Conducts Performance Appraisals
- Delegates responsibilities
- Shares appropriate responsibilities

- **Implements** Improvement
- · Maintains Work Priorities
- Coordinates Duties
- · Uses Time Efficiently
- Self Evaluation reflective practices · Manages change with individual team

Self

Management

· Accepts responsibility for own decisions and actions · Seeks guidance and advice

· Collaboratively identifies improvement

- · Monitors effectiveness of new work
- . Identifies and implements ways to improve quality and production and operational efficiencies
- · Ensures changes are explained, creates a culture of improvement

Leads and Develops Teams

- · Positively works within a team
- environment
- Meets output targets · Shares important and
- relevant information
- Delegates appropriately · Contributes to team success
- · Works with the strengths of the team
- · Consistency of decision making
- · Job performance vs popularity
- · Objective problem solving · Sets and monitors team goals
- Fosters collaboration · Rewards team for accomplishments

Decision Making

- · Generates alternatives and commits to
- appropriate actions · Includes others in decision making
- · Identifies, compares, contrasts and combines information to determine
- underlying issues Performs data analysis and develops/considers alternatives
- . Ability to say "no"
- Able to make the tough decisions
- · Steps up and separates from the crew (not one of the boys)
- · Takes ownership of theirs and the companies decisions



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1. Personal and Interpersonal Skills					
Skills Sets	Stage 1 – Le	ading Hand	Stage 2 – Supervisor		
	Skills Training	Coaching	Skills Training	Coachi	
Win- Win Communication	<ul><li>Outcome orientated communication</li></ul>			<ul> <li>Adapts         communica         negotiation         to people a         objectives</li> </ul>	
Adaptability	<ul><li>Change management</li><li>What it means to the business</li></ul>	Ability to respond under pressure	<ul> <li>Change management</li> <li>Flexibility to implement change in plans</li> </ul>	Ability to would under press	
	<ul> <li>Communication techniques</li> <li>Industry aligned competencies</li> <li>Interpersonal relationships</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Establishing interpersonal relationships</li> <li>Engaging with different audience</li> <li>Providing</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Hazard and incident report writing (optional)</li> <li>Feedback issues to management</li> <li>Performance</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Leading me and toolbox</li> <li>Shares imp information team</li> <li>Speaks with</li> </ul>	

feedback

Engaging with

Writing to the

audience

needs of the

EEO (optional)

Providing feedback

different audiences

**Workplace** 

Communication

Coaching

communication and negotiation styles to people and objectives

Ability to work under pressure

Leading meetings and toolbox talks Shares important information with

Gains commitment

appraisals, leading

audience attention

meetings and

toolbox talks

Maintaining

Checking for

understanding Gains commitment Speaks with

authority

	Skill Sets Sub Heading	Attributes					
Skill Sets Main Heading		Determination to achieve	Motivational Fit	Teamwork	Operational Crew Management	Engagement Skills	Health & Safety Awareness
Personal and Interpersonal Skills	Win-Win Communication			Х	Х	Х	
	Adaptability	Х	Х		Х		
	Workplace Communication			X	X	х	
	Conflict Management			X	X		
	Natural Strengths	X	X	X	X	X	
Technical, Professional and Operational Knowledge	Technical Knowledge				X		X
	Industry Experience		X		X		X
	Productivity Management	X			X		
	Safety Awareness		Х		X		X
	Planning and Organising	X			X		
Leadership Behaviours and Practices	Organisational Culture		X				X
	Coaching			X		X	
	People Management		X	X	X	X	
	Leads and Develops Teams	х	x	x	X	x	x
	Decision Making	X	X		X		X
	Promotes and Implements Change	X	X	x	X		
	Self Management	Х				X	X
	Implements Improvements	х	x	x	X		

Attribute 4	Attribute Performance Levels
Operational Crew Management	Attribute refrontiance Levels
Definition Ability to plan, manage and achieve crew performance in line with production and safety targets Will: Proactively plan for and scope work to be undertaken Manage crew rosters and skills to achieve target outcome Take action in solving problems while exhibiting judgement and a realistic understanding of the issues  Aligned Skill Sets Personal & Interpersonal Skills Win-win communication Adaptability Workplace communication Conflict management Natural strengths Technical, Professional & Operational Knowledge Industry knowledge Industry knowledge Productivity management Safety awareness Planning & organising Leadership Behaviour & Practices People management Leads & develops teams Decision making Promotes & Implements change Implements improvements Knee jerk reactions to problems Fails to spot cause and effect relationships Lacks concern for deadlines Poor matching of work teams for jobs Failure to provide adequate pre-start information/supervision	1. Ability to plan and manage a crew Plans for work before work begins Shows evidence of problem solving ability Will take advice from coaches Understands the realities and situations of a task Shows concern for all aspects of the job Double checks accuracy of work undertaken Maintaining watchfulness over a period of time 2. Understands how effective crews perform Ensures adequate crew levels for task to be undertaken Takes a active role in decision making processes Ability to foresee and react to problems as they emerge through anticipating obstacles Anticipates the consequences of different courses of action Will seek advice from coaches Set priorities to match production demands 3. Displays best practice and flexibility in achieving crew performance Can lead the crew when change in a plan is imminent Monitors progress of a project against milestones or deadlines Accurately checks processes and tasks Develops and uses systems to organise and track information and improve quality Analyses situations logically and plans for a course of action Anticipates business impact of various plans and actions Recognises cause and effect relationships Development required when: Planning to take risks that outweigh benefits Failure to plan in adequate opportunity for rest periods in heavy /difficult conditions Assigning an excessive workload/ tasks for shift crew



### **Supervisor Start of Shift**

Expectations	Generic Technical Content
1. ASSESS CREWS FITNESS FOR WORK	<ul> <li>Fatigue Management</li> <li>Ensure drug and alcohol testing takes place if required</li> </ul>
1. PRE-START MEETING	<ul> <li>Communicate previous incidents and actions</li> <li>Discuss safety concerns</li> <li>Delegate tasks to appropriate persons</li> <li>Deliver work site procedures and work instructions (SOP, WH&amp;S, SWI)</li> <li>Set expectations for production rate</li> <li>Formulate a plan on how we can do this better</li> <li>Discussion on what is going wrong</li> <li>Gain understanding from employees on unusual tasks</li> <li>Discuss work area inspections</li> <li>Production statistics from previous shift</li> </ul>

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### **Supervisor Framework Launch**

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