

# Data Driven Tools to Facilitate Evidence-based Decision Making Supporting Program Resiliency



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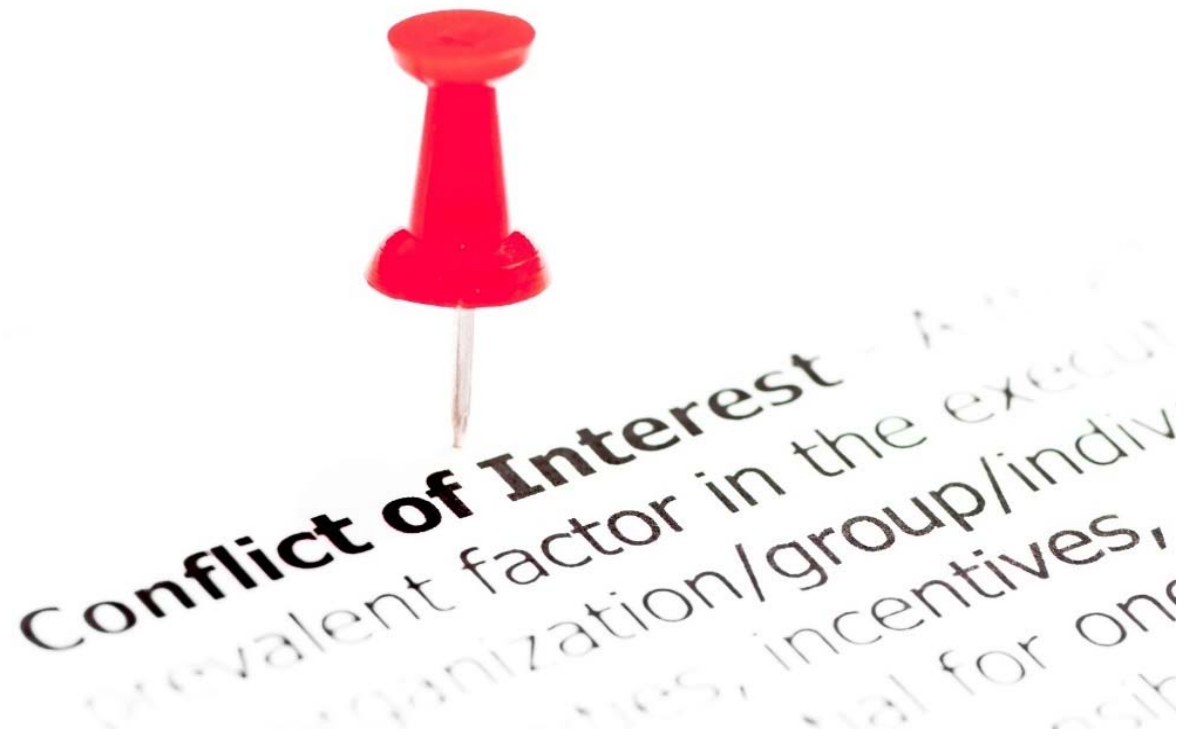
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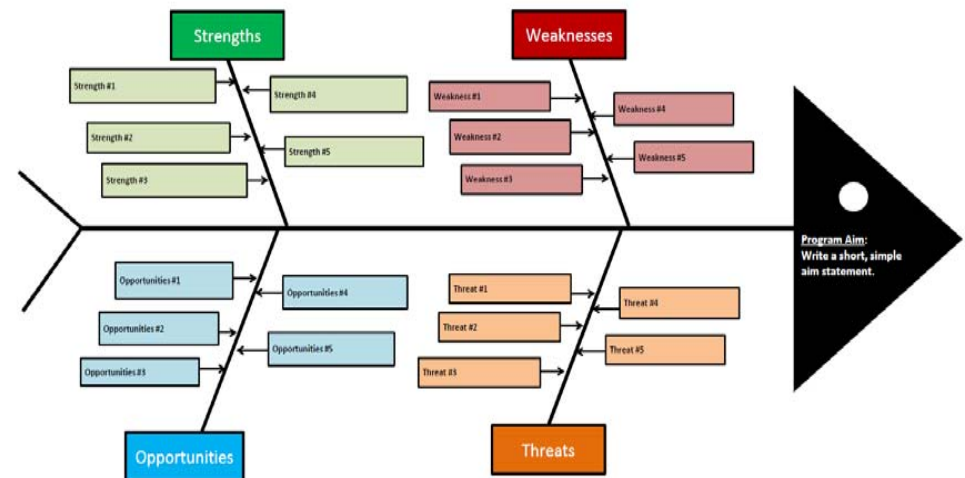
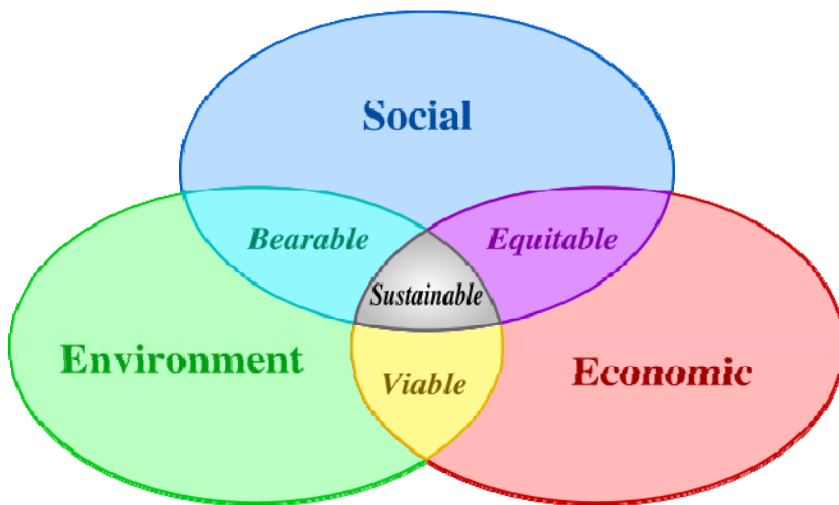


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# Resiliency – What do we mean?

According to the British Standard definition:

Organizational Resiliency is defined “the ability of an **organization** to anticipate, prepare for, and respond and adapt to incremental change and sudden disruptions in order to survive and prosper.”



# Session Focus



- This session focuses on an approach to using data to build and sustain program resiliency.
- The session includes discussion of metrics developed to determine program quality and program resiliency with the understanding that each institution may choose different measurements and analyses.
- There will be interactive discussion of data sources available to DIOs and the C-Suite
- Speakers will discuss lessons learned in throughout the implementation will be presented concomitant with scorecards, the need for special program reviews, alignment with the school/hospital missions, and achieving leadership consensus in decision making.
- Participants will take home an electronic tool kit that they can adapt to their own institutions.

# AGENDA

- Background and introduction of the program resiliency model
- **Presentation of case studies and discussion**
- Group work in applying the models and problem solving relevant to their own institutions
- **Closure/debrief**



# Session Learning Objectives



Gain insights into how to:

- develop a process that forecasts overall program resiliency
- determine the optimal metrics
- use SWOT analyses and scorecards to anticipate, respond and adapt to change both incremental and sudden disruptions in order to survive and prosper.

# Historical Perspective at Stanford

Historically, the trajectory of some residency and fellowship programs has been *ad hoc* and driven by “politics” in many circumstances rather than by analyzing the:

- Program quality and resiliency
- Alignment of program and institutional missions
- Physician workforce need



# Where did we start?





# Historical Perspective – A3 “What was the Problem”

Sponsor: Department of GME  
Participants: GME, DIO, GMEC, C-Suite, Dean, Chairs, DFAs

## Expanding and Funding of Additional Residency/Fellowships Positions

Start Date: August 1, 2014  
Revised Date: December 2, 2014

### Issue/Problem Statement:

Multiple requests for program funding, not based on program quality metrics with variable documentation of programmatic need(s).

### Background and Importance:

Stanford sponsors 99 ACGME-accredited programs and 40 non-standard fellowships with 1200 trainees. Since we are over our Medicare Cap, the institution is funding 100% of these requested positions. In the era of healthcare cost consciousness, we need to be cognizant of prudent allocation of scarce resources.

### Goals/Dashboard Metrics:

Need to utilize existing GME developed program quality metrics and dashboards.

### Problem Analysis:

Decisions were often made without GME input.  
Program quality was not consistently used in decision-making.  
Power base of the constituents was unequal.

### Future State and Counter Measures:

A single Institutional Policy and Process for all programs requesting expansion and funding.  
Counter ad hoc “special deals” with committee meeting with all constituents on equal footing.  
Data submitted and reviewed before meetings.  
Public minutes distributed to GME community.  
GMEC reviews, discusses and renders final decision (approved/not approved).

### Implementation Plan:

Discussion with C-Suite, Dean, Chairs, DFAs (Department Business Managers), GMEC, Program Directors and Program Coordinators.

Preliminary Process designed, tweaked and retweaked.

New process tested in February, 2015

### Follow Up:

Feedback obtained from constituent parties

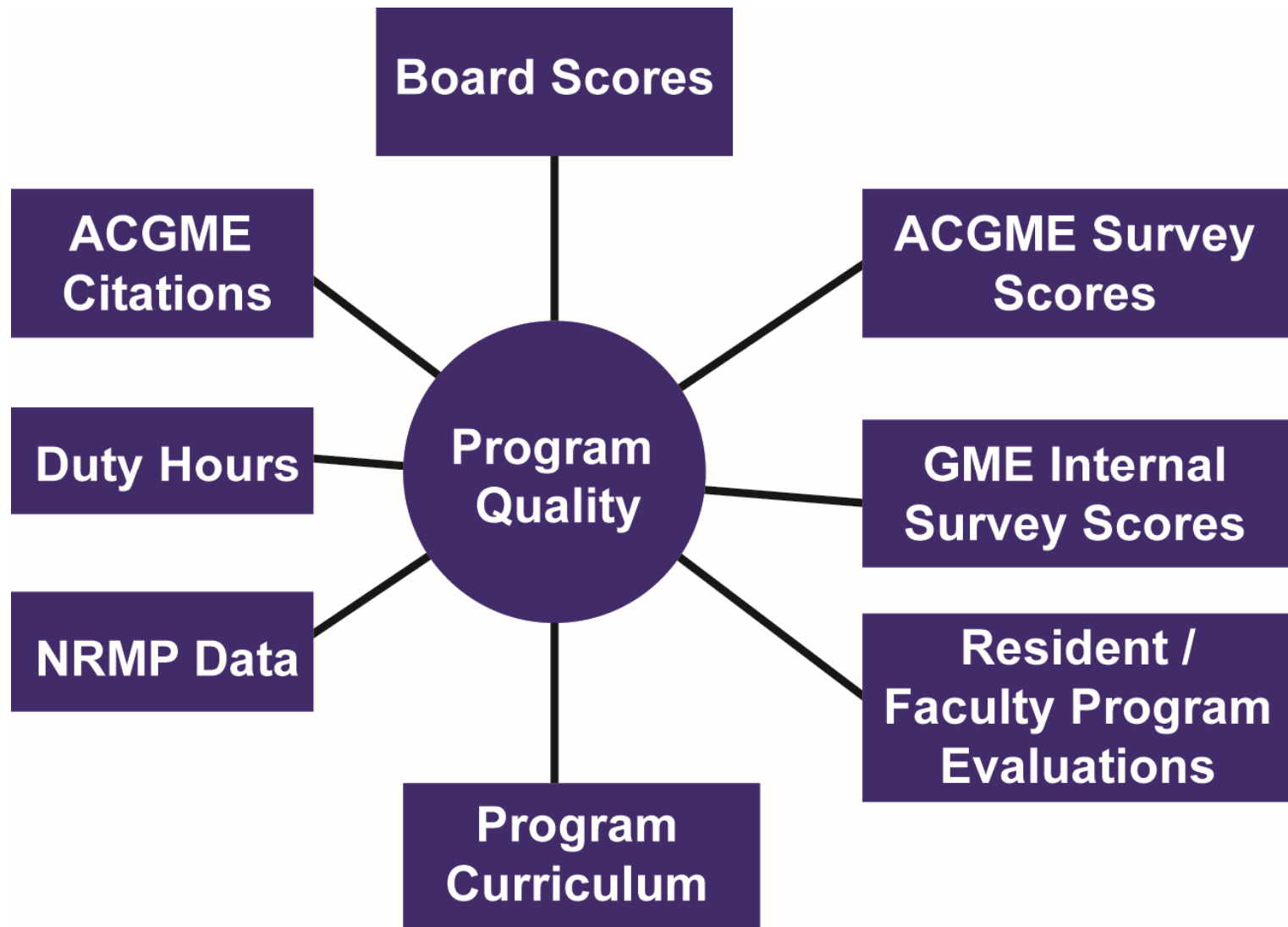
### Sustain Results:

GME and GMEC continuously monitor the process  
Continued updating and buy-in from C-Suite

# We Found that Multiple Buckets Need to be Considered for Maintaining Program Resiliency



# Analyzing Program Quality



# Dashboards...

Data-driven decisions display

Multiple sources

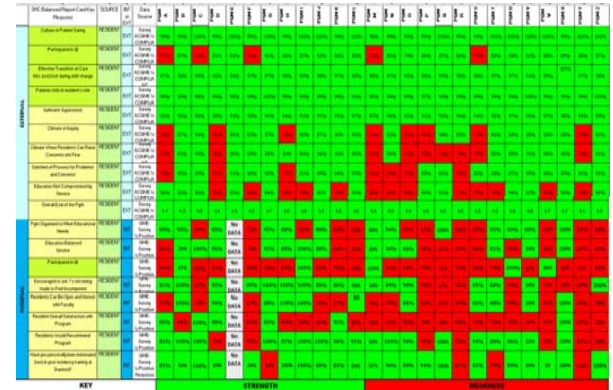
Comparable measures allows for “tiering” of programs

Timely, visual and easy to identify trends

Pre-emptive

Easy for Leadership “C Suite” to read

**So why not use a Dashboard for Looking at Program Resiliency?**



# Looking into the Data



# Determinants of Program Quality that Drive Resiliency

Resident Performance

Graduate Performance

SWOT Analyses

Evaluation Tools

Curriculum Review

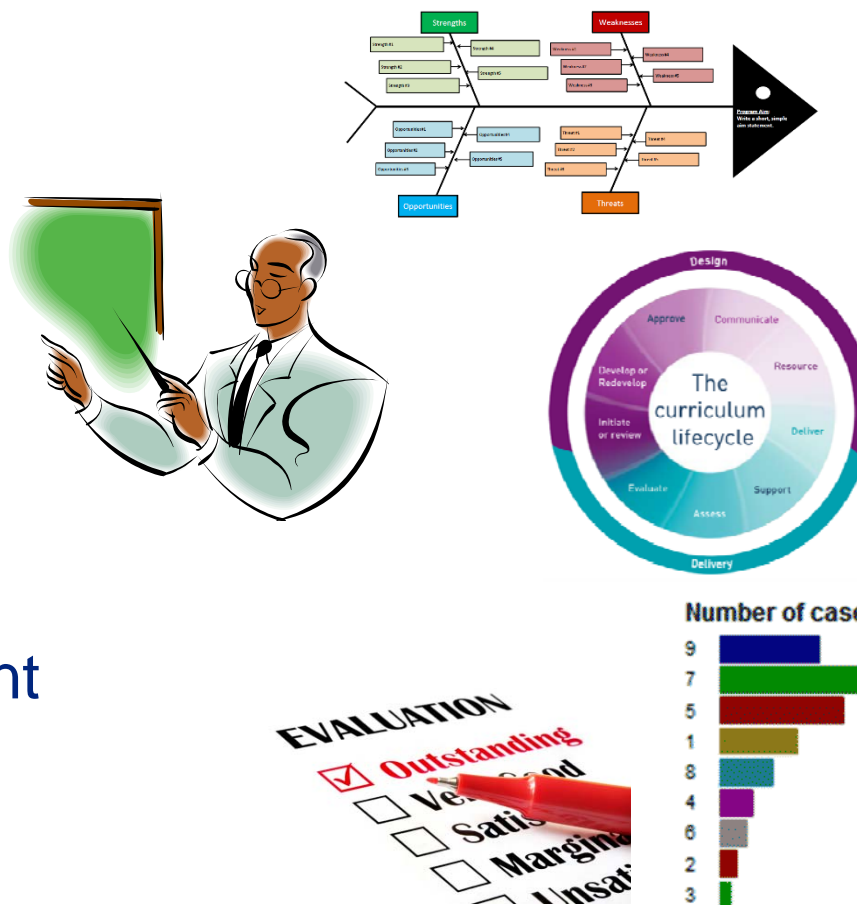
Faculty / Faculty Development

Case numbers / Logs

Program Resources

Review of Annual Program Evaluations (APEs) / Self-Studies

Special Reviews



# Single Program Report Card – Across AYs

5- Year Trend Analysis								
SHC Balanced Report Card Key Measures	SOURCE	INT/EXT	Data Source	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-2016	2016-17
Sufficient Supervision	RESIDENT	EXT	Survey ACGME %-COMPLIANT	95%	96%	98%	93%	Pending
Sufficient Instruction			Survey ACGME %-COMPLIANT	95%	89%	89%	85%	Pending
Faculty/Staff Create Environment of Inquiry			Survey ACGME %-COMPLIANT	98%	91%	87%	89%	Pending
Satisfied with Process for Problems and Concerns			Survey ACGME %-COMPLIANT	93%	89%	87%	93%	Pending
Climate Where Residents Can Raise Concerns Without Fear			Survey ACGME %-COMPLIANT	95%	91%	91%	96%	Pending
Overall Eval of the Program			Survey ACGME %-COMPLIANT	9.0	9.1	9.2	9.0	Pending
Total Number of ACGME Citations (new/resolved)			PROGRAM		ACGME	0	0	0
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Encouraged to Ask Questions on a Regular Basis			GME-Survey	100%	100%	100%	93%	97%
Residents Can Be Open and Honest with Faculty			GME-Survey	100%	100%	No Data	93%	97%
Residents Would Recommend Program			GME-Survey	100%	95%	100%	100%	100%
Resident Overall Program Evaluation			Pgm Eval Mean Score/10	9.25	9.65	9.09	9.29	9.37
Faculty Overall Program Evaluation	FACULTY	Pgm Eval Mean Score/10	7.32	7.19	7.81	7.91	8.28	
>80 Violations / AY	PROGRAM		Medhub Duty Hr Rpt	0	0	0	0	0
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<b>KEY</b>				<b>STRENGTH</b>		<b>WEAKNESS</b>		



# Institutional “Report Card” or Dashboard - Data Analysis by Program

	SHC Balanced Report Card Key Measures	SOURCE	INT or EXT	Data Source	PGM A	PGM B	PGM C	PGM D	PGM E	PGM F	PGM G	PGM H	PGM I	PGM J	PGM K	PGM L	PGM M	PGM N	PGM O	PGM P	PGM Q	PGM R	PGM S	PGM T	PGM U	PGM V	PGM W	PGM X	PGM Y	PGM Z	
EXTERNAL	Culture of Patient Safety	RESIDENT	EXT	Survey ACGME % COMPLIA	99%	99%	100%	99%	100%	99%	100%	99%	100%	100%	99%	100%	98%	99%	99%	99%	100%	99%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	
	Participated in QI	RESIDENT	EXT	Survey ACGME % COMPLIA	77%	87%	73%	81%	83%	76%	91%	86%	87%	83%	86%	88%	79%	85%	79%	86%	87%	86%	79%	83%	86%	82%	88%	89%	88%	87%	
	Effective Transition of Care Info (not) lost during shift change	RESIDENT	EXT	Survey ACGME % COMPLIA NT	97%	98%	99%	95%	96%	97%	97%	98%	99%	98%	97%	98%	98%	97%	96%	98%	99%	98%	96%	97%	97%	94%	99%	97%	97%	98%	
	Patients told of resident's role	RESIDENT	EXT	Survey ACGME % COMPLIA	99%	99%	98%	99%	98%	99%	100%	99%	99%	99%	99%	99%	99%	90%	99%	99%	97%	99%	99%	99%	99%	99%	100%	99%	99%	99%	100%
	Sufficient Supervision	RESIDENT	EXT	Survey ACGME % COMPLIA	91%	96%	96%	88%	91%	90%	91%	94%	91%	97%	91%	97%	97%	87%	95%	82%	91%	93%	94%	94%	95%	97%	95%	97%	98%	93%	89%
	Climate of Inquiry	RESIDENT	EXT	Survey ACGME % COMPLIA	73%	87%	94%	75%	85%	82%	87%	76%	82%	87%	80%	90%	74%	82%	74%	76%	96%	80%	77%	84%	86%	88%	86%	88%	79%	83%	
	Climate Where Residents Can Raise Concerns w/o Fear	RESIDENT	EXT	Survey ACGME % COMPLIA	77%	81%	90%	76%	80%	80%	85%	81%	84%	86%	82%	88%	73%	83%	75%	79%	76%	76%	79%	85%	85%	92%	86%	85%	79%	81%	
	Satisfied w/ Process for Problems and Concerns	RESIDENT	EXT	Survey ACGME % COMPLIA	78%	83%	89%	76%	81%	80%	88%	77%	81%	89%	84%	89%	74%	78%	74%	80%	85%	78%	80%	85%	87%	90%	86%	89%	82%	82%	
	Education Not Compromised by Service	RESIDENT	EXT	Survey ACGME % COMPLIA	86%	85%	85%	59%	85%	62%	84%	66%	78%	81%	76%	94%	68%	61%	68%	80%	81%	73%	70%	78%	94%	82%	78%	86%	78%	80%	
	Overall Eval of the Pgm	RESIDENT	EXT	Survey ACGME % COMPLIA	4.4	4.5	4.8	4.4	4.4	4.5	4.7	4.6	4.6	4.4	4.5	4.4	4.5	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.6	4.5	4.5	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.8	4.7	4.7	4.4	4.5
INTERNAL	Pgm Organized to Meet Educational Needs	RESIDENT	INT	GME-Survey % Positive	83%	93%	67%	83%	No DATA	70%	92%	88%	75%	80%	64%	50%	86%	96%	71%	41%	100%	10%	65%	92%	89%	83%	56%	100%	67%	44%	
	Education Balanced Service	RESIDENT	INT	GME-Survey % Positive	69%	93%	100%	85%	No DATA	70%	92%	88%	100%	80%	64%	33%	82%	90%	86%	45%	67%	20%	65%	81%	78%	83%	44%	100%	67%	67%	
	Participated in QI	RESIDENT	INT	GME-Survey % Positive	54%	87%	33%	51%	No DATA	50%	25%	57%	100%	60%	75%	60%	100%	77%	15%	75%	33%	78%	50%	79%	100%	67%	86%	50%	50%	44%	
	Encouraged to ask ?'s w/o being made to Feel Incompetent	RESIDENT	INT	GME-Survey % Positive	81%	100%	67%	92%	No DATA	89%	100%	100%	100%	80%	85%	90%	90%	89%	90%	75%	67%	60%	81%	88%	78%	83%	71%	50%	50%	100%	
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	Resident Overall Satisfaction with Program	RESIDENT	INT	GME-Survey % Positive	83%	74%	100%	88%	No DATA	60%	83%	69%	50%	60%	92%	67%	64%	75%	62%	39%	33%	40%	71%	73%	78%	67%	67%	100%	67%	56%	
	Residents Would Recommend Program	RESIDENT	INT	GME-Survey % Positive	81%	100%	100%	73%	No DATA	70%	100%	87%	100%	100%	86%	92%	95%	100%	90%	67%	100%	30%	94%	88%	86%	83%	78%	100%	67%	56%	
	Have you personally been mistreated (not) in your residency training at Stanford?	RESIDENT	INT	GME-Survey % Positive Response	81%	93%	100%	89%	No DATA	94%	63%	100%	100%	80%	83%	80%	90%	96%	80%	94%	100%	67%	81%	79%	89%	83%	86	100%	100%	100%	
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# Determining the need for **special program reviews**

- More data required
- Resident concerns
- Program too small
- Long interval since last formal review



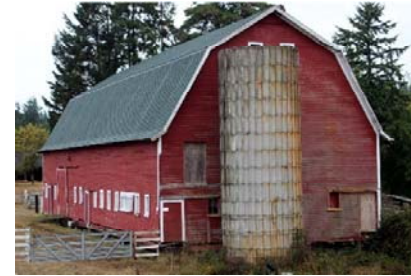
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# Bucket # 2 – AIMS, Missions (and Visions)

Other critical considerations:

- When we're looking at Program Resiliency, we needed to look at the overall larger institution.
- GME doesn't function as a silo.



- Department Strategic Plans
- Leadership Searches e.g., Chair Searches
- Clinical growth and outreach
- Affiliate Relations
- Closure of neighboring hospitals

Vision  
Mission



# Other Considerations

We also need to consider:

- Growth in institutes and departments concomitant with high educational value
- Institutional educational missions and goals
- Program AIMS

Vision  
Mission



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# Considering Local, Regional and National Workforce Needs....



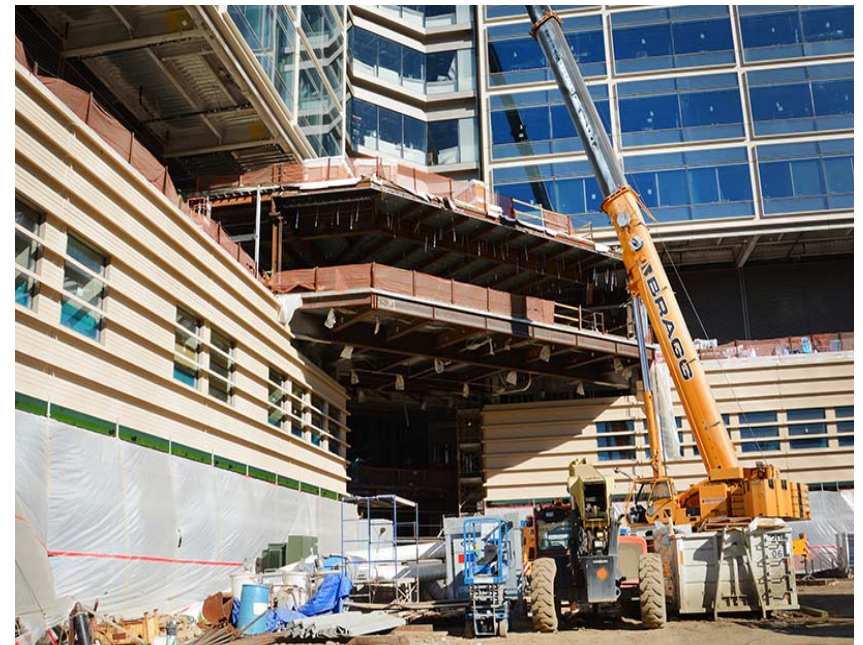
# Understanding Some of the Issues Surrounding C-Suite Views on Residency/fellowship training

Service vs Education

Budget Cycle vs Academic Year

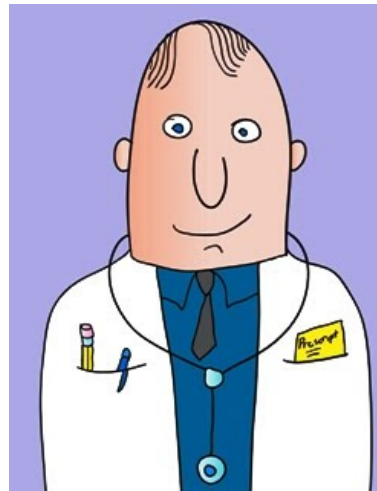
Hospital growth, expansion and strategies not tied to the educational cycle

Cost of trainees / Cost of medical center expansion



# Understanding some of the issues surrounding Program Views on Residency/fellowship Resiliency

- ❑ Education vs Service
- ❑ Competitive Viability
- ❑ Regional / National Demand
- ❑ Newly Recognized Areas of Training
- ❑ Faculty recruitment / retention - I want a fellow to “teach” ...”

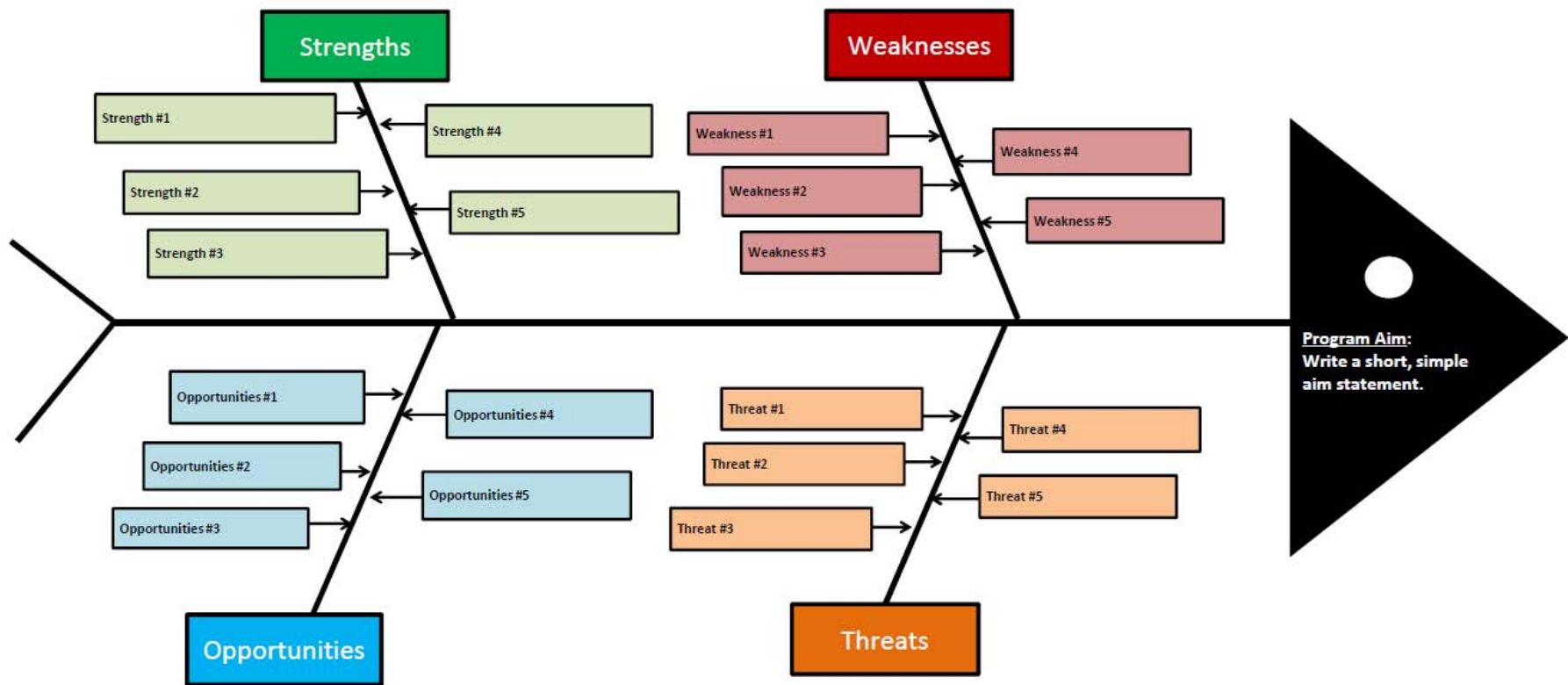




# Decision Making Process



# Modified Ishikawa Diagram: Cause-Effect Diagram for Program Evaluation



# Program Aims – ACGME Perspective

What is the AIM?

- ❖ AIM setting is part of the annual program evaluation
- ❖ Relevant considerations
  - ❖ Who are our residents/fellows?
  - ❖ What do we prepare them for?
    - ❖ Academic / practice ...
    - ❖ Leadership and other roles ...
  - ❖ Who are the patients/populations we care for?
- ❖ AIMS are a way to differentiate programs
  - ❖ Self-study will ultimately evaluate program effectiveness in meeting these aims
  - ❖ Moves beyond improvement solely based on compliance with minimum standards
  - ❖ Assessment of relevant initiatives and their outcomes

# SWOT ANALYSES – Definitions

## Strengths and Weaknesses – **Internal Factors**

### **Strengths**

- ❖ Program factors that are likely to have a positive effect on (or be an enabler to) achieving your program's aims are **strengths**.
- ❖ Important to acknowledge and celebrate
- ❖ What should definitely be continued (important question in an environment of limited resources)

### **Weaknesses**

- ❖ Program factors that are likely to have a negative effect on (or be a barrier to) achieving your program's objectives are **weaknesses**.
  - ❖ Citations, areas for improvement and other information from ACGME
  - ❖ The Annual Program Evaluation and other program/institutional data sources

# SWOT ANALYSES – Definitions

## Threats and Opportunities

Factors and contexts external to the program (institutional, local, regional and national) that affect the program

**Opportunities** - Factors that favor the program, that the program may take advantage of / leverage

- ❖ External Factors that are likely to have a positive effect on achieving or exceeding your program's objectives not previously considered are called **opportunities**.
  - ❖ What are capabilities for further evolving the program; how can the program capitalize on them?
  - ❖ Has there been recent change in the program's context that that creates an opportunity?
  - ❖ Are these opportunities ongoing, or is there a narrow window for them? How critical is the timing?

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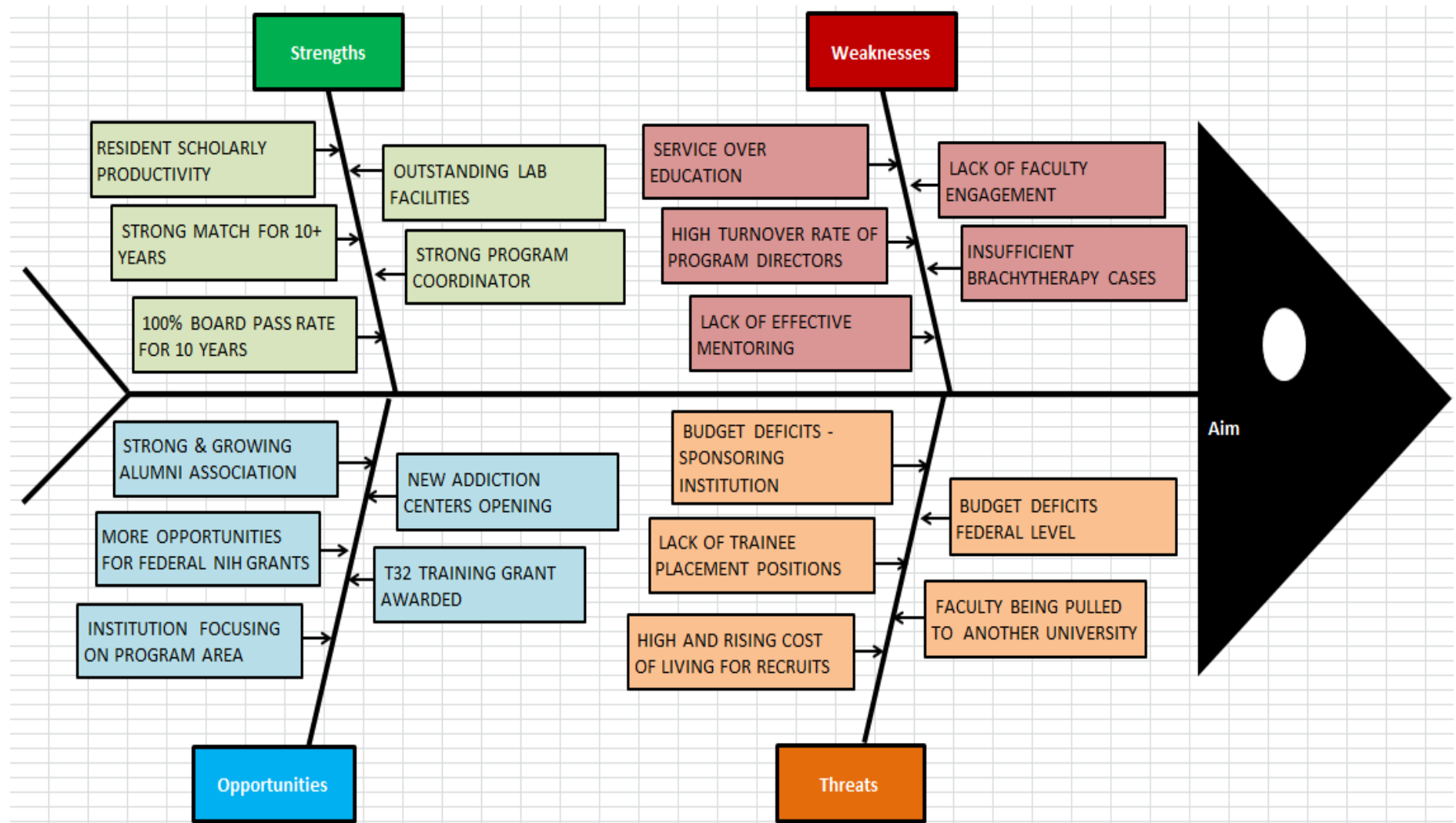
**Threats** - Factors that pose risks.

❖ External Factors and conditions that are likely to have a negative effect on achieving the program's objectives, or making the objective redundant or un-achievable are called **threats**.

- ❖ While the program cannot fully control them, beneficial to have ***plans to mitigate their effect***
- ❖ What external factors may place the program at risk?
- ❖ What are changes in residents' specialty choice, regulation, financing, or other factors that may affect the future success of the program?
- ❖ Are there challenges or unfavorable trends in immediate context that may affect the program? e.g., faculty burdened with heavy clinical load that prevents effective teaching and mentorship

# Fishbone – Ishikawa Diagram

## SWOT Analysis Completed Example

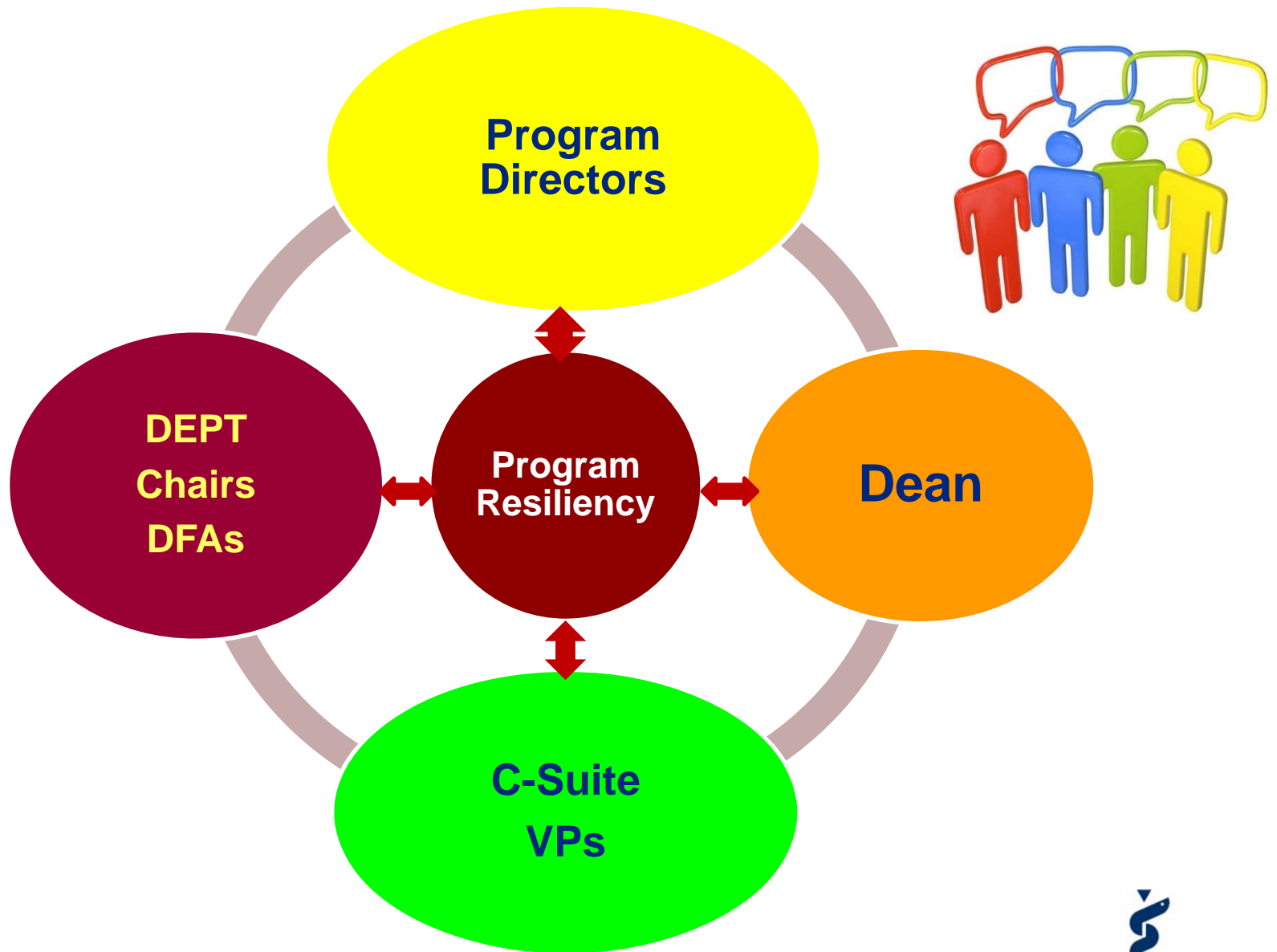


# Setting up the Data Driven Process





# GME Must Maintain Open Communications



# Case Study





# Program “X”: Setting the Stage

The Core Residency program was already experiencing difficulties before their last ACGME site visit

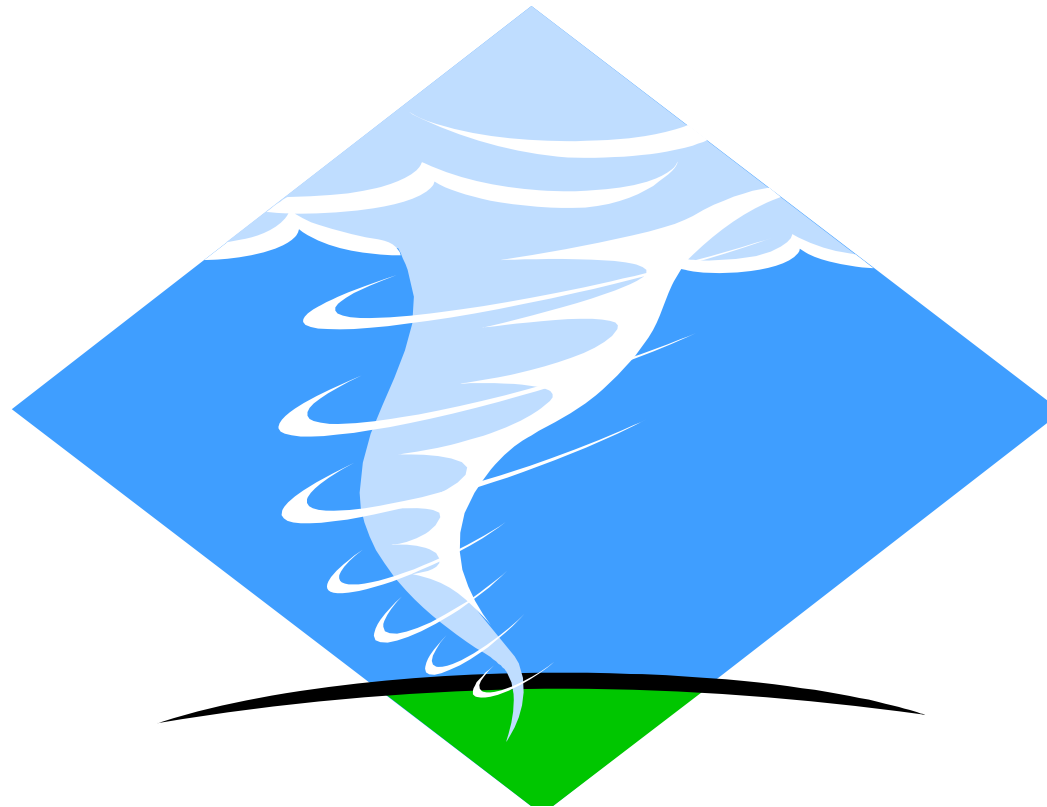
- Tough transition to a new program director when former director abruptly left
- Problems identified on both the ACGME and internal GME house staff surveys



# Progress?

Program continued to spiral down.....

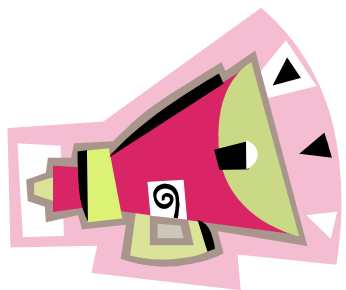
- Lack of C-Suite “buy in” to add resources to build the program up and develop resiliency
- Change in Leadership in the Dean’s Office



# GME Evaluation of the Situation – Program X

- ❑ Review of trend analyses of ACGME and Internal GME House Staff surveys
- ❑ Review of SWOT Analysis
- ❑ Qualitative analysis of every comment on the internal house staff survey and faculty and program evaluations
- ❑ DIO used her training in conflict resolution
- ❑ Report developed to define the problems
- ❑ Shared with C-Suite and New Dean





## How Did We Use the Data?



Looked at Indicators that are Resident Driven –  
“Voice of the Resident”

- Is there a discrepancy between the voice of the resident and the other indicators?
  - Would the majority of the residents not choose the program again yet the program receives continued accreditation with commendations?



## Next we validated the quantitative data

Validated data with resident interviews (individual and group sessions)

(You know you have a problem when the residents call and ask to meet you at Starbucks...)





# Then we Developed a Preliminary Plan of Attack

Met with program leadership

- Shared concerning data
- Program Director understood he had inherited a “Train Wreck”
- Discussed “their” interpretation of the data
- “Brain-stormed” with program leadership
  - “How can GME help you get back on track?”



# Setting up an Formal Action Plan

Assigned a GME program manager to work with the program director on the missing “structural elements” in the program.

Met with Resident Groups

DIO monitored progress

Report card allowed GME to implement intervention which was successfully addressing the areas of concern

BUT.....ACGME (not having access to the most recent data) called for an early site visit.



# Action Items Developed

Data presented to

- Department chair
- Dean
- DIOs from major affiliates
- CEOs
- **RESIDENTS**



# ACGME Outcomes

## ACGME site visit

- Proposed probation which resulted in:
  - HUGE wake-up call for the C-Suite, residents, and four major affiliates
  - Data invaluable in presenting problems



# Consensus

Decision to “save the program” and put the pieces back together

- C-Suite
- Dean
- Program leadership
- GME

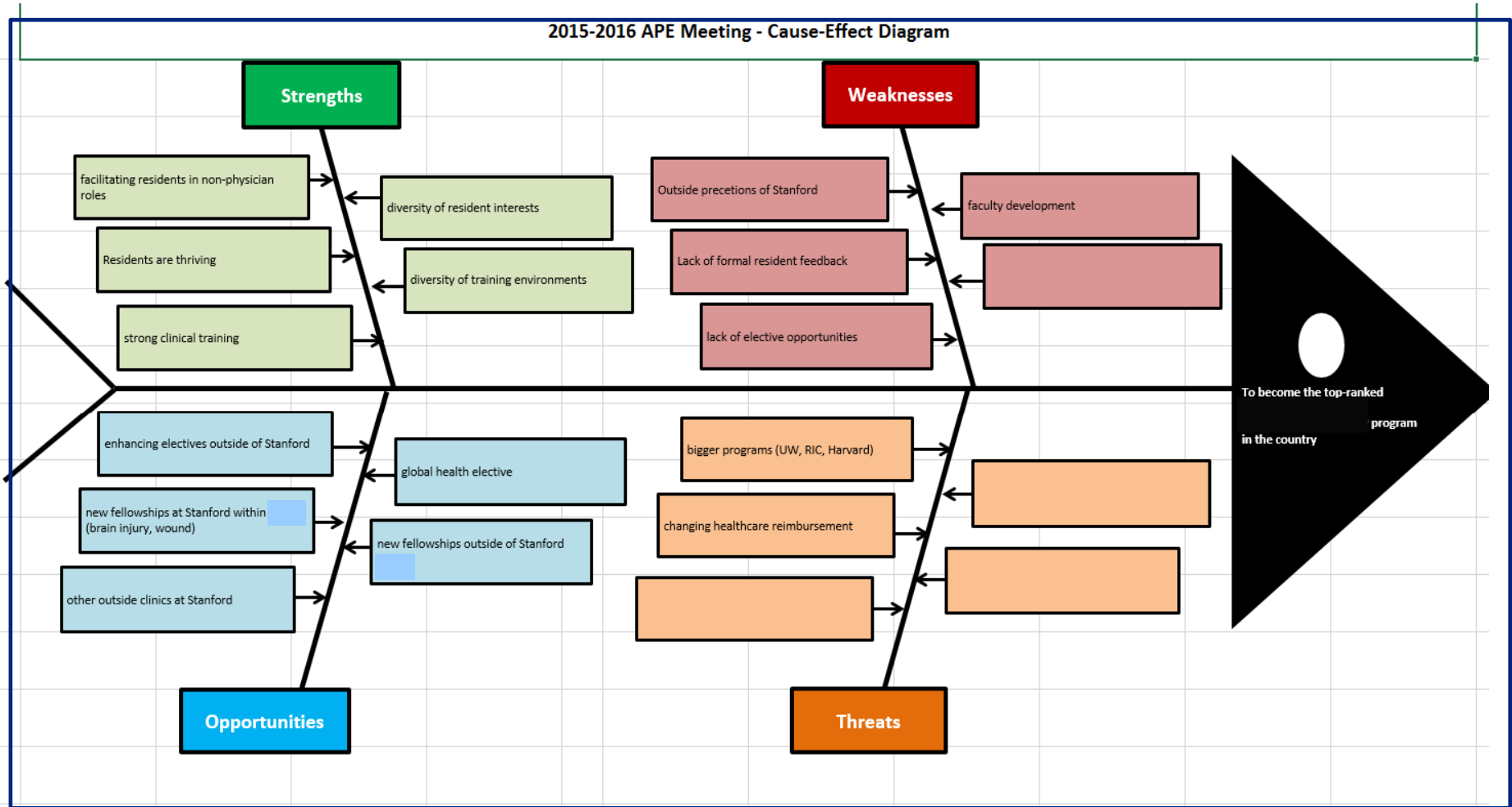


# Results

- Appealed the proposed probation – probation not given
- Aspirational SWOT Analysis
- Program continues to improve and is showing its resiliency with an outstanding 2017 match paired with an extremely positive national reputation and an “All Green” Report Card so far!



# Program X Current SWOT Analysis – AIM: To become the top ranked xxx Program in the country!



# Stanford's Program X: Current Trend Analysis

9 - Year Trend Analysis												
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# What does this tell the DIO?

Report card and trend analyses allow for easy monitoring of multiple factors.

With longer timeframes now with 10 year Self-Studies...imperative to be able to monitor programs frequently and track data for long time periods

Data drives change and builds program resiliency

The C-Suite and Dean were needed to resolve issues-and were “moved” to help when presented with data from SWOT Analyses and report cards



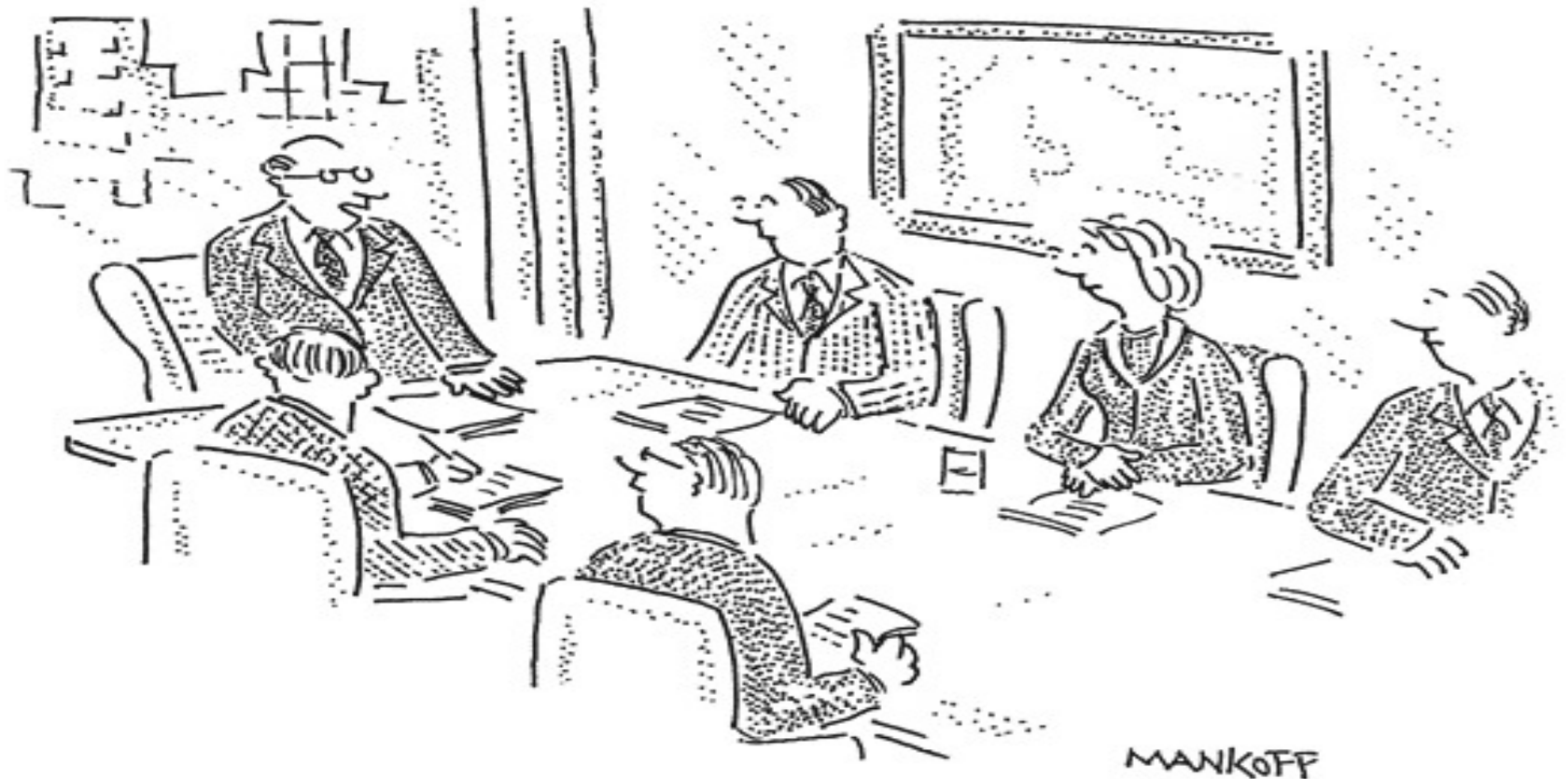
# In Summary...

- ❖ Competition, instability and uncertainty are now constants in our changing healthcare landscape.
- ❖ Our institutions face an unprecedented and growing number of potential disruptions to the status quo and the best laid strategic plans.
- ❖ To survive and prosper in this new environment of heightened uncertainty and change, we need to focus on organizational and program resilience.
- ❖ Resilience applies at all levels: national, regional, institutional and programmatic.
- ❖ At the regional levels, specific infrastructure assets come together in highly interdependent ways to serve regional patient needs and local communities.
- ❖ At the organizational level, institutions need to ensure their healthcare operations, training priorities and service delivery capabilities remain able to perform their primary operating mandates and prepare for the future.
- ❖ Programs need to develop and review SWOT analyses to mitigate potential threats and solidify their program aims.



# Gentle Words of Wisdom

“It’s all about working together and transparency”



*“Let’s never forget that the public’s desire for transparency has to be balanced by our need for concealment.”*

# Questions ?



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