

### Recent Trends in Public Sector Human Resource Management

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## **International Public Management Association for Human Resources**

- Public sector focused human resources association headquartered in Alexandria, VA USA
- In existence for 113 years
- Almost 10,000 members
- Develop innovative solutions and practical resources for public sector HR professionals:
  - Research
  - Publications
  - Professional Development
  - Certification
  - Assessment



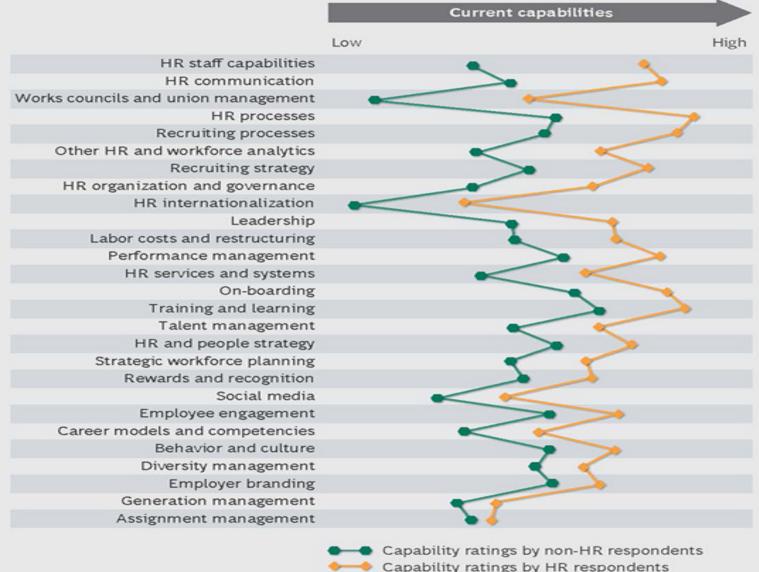
- Report by the National Academy for Public Administration (NAPA) in the US concludes:
- \* "To govern effectively, government must have the capacity to govern. The bedrock of that capacity is its workforce."



- Great time to be working in HR
  - Time of rapid change fueled by technology that is changing jobs & how, where & when work is performed
- Despite the emphasis on the crucial role that talent plays in organizations, there remains a negative perception of human resource departments
- HR is still viewed as playing more of a transactional rather than strategic role



#### EXHIBIT 5 | HR Respondents Report Higher Capabilities Than Non-HR Respondents Across All Subtopics



Source: 2014 BCG and WFPMA proprietary Web survey and analysis.

Note: There were 2,909 HR respondents and 331 non-HR respondents.

### Recent Trends in Public Sector Human Resource Management

- Workforce/Succession Planning/Talent Management
- Employee/Applicant Experience
  - Employee Engagement
- Recruitment/Selection/Retention
  - Skills Shortage
- Flexibility

# Recent Trends in Public Sector Human Resource Management

- Work-Life Balance/Wellness
- Technology/Digital Transformation
  - Impact on Jobs/How Work is Performed
- Future Workforce
- Rewards
  - Need for more diverse awards
- Learning and Development
- Risk Management
- Analytics



## Improving the Employee Experience

- Applicants & employees approach work like consumers and want:
  - A say in where, when & how they work
  - Perform meaningful work
- 51% of the HR leaders who responded to the Future of HR Survey cited employee experience as a top priority
- Improving the employee experience becomes critical for organizations that want to hire & retain top talent
- Gallup defines the employee experience as the journey an employee takes with your organization



### **Flexibility**

- CIPD in Great Britain report cited the following business case for flexible working arrangements:
  - Attracting a larger talent pool
  - Improved engagement, job satisfaction & loyalty
  - Reduced absenteeism & improved well-being
  - Greater retention



#### Well Being

- Many employers are focusing on the well-being of their employees
- Studies have shown that more than 40% of workers are facing high levels of stress that negatively affects them
- Gallup's Global Emotions Report has found that stress levels are rising in several countries



#### Work-Life Balance

- Technology can result in a blurring of work & personal time
- Ability to manage work-life balance is #1 factor in helping employees thrive at work
- Workplace stress accounts for about \$190 billion US annually in healthcare costs



### Impact of Technology

- 2017 McKinsey Global Institute report predicted that by 2030 globally:
  - 400 − 800 million individuals could be displaced by automation & need to find new jobs
  - 6.6 million employees could be displaced in Korea
  - Up to 100 million in China/1/3 of the US & German workforces/1/2 of the workforce in Japan
  - Employment in some occupations may not decline, but workers will be performing new tasks



### Impact of Technology

- US Office of Personnel Management estimates that 45% of all government workforce activities could be automated
  - While some occupations will see an employment decline other areas such as cybersecurity will have increased demand, but not enough supply of workers
- Critical challenge for government will be providing job retraining/reskilling of those in government to transform them into the workforce of the future



#### **Digital Transformation**

- "Journey to Digital Transformation" study issued by Deloitte & based on survey of more than 1,200 government officials in 70 countries found that:
  - Workforce and skills are the most challenging area for digital transformation
  - Hiring the right talent may require utilizing new recruitment sources, internships/fellowships & hiring for short-term teams & assignments



#### Learning and Development

- 2019 Mercer Global Talent Trends report:
  - Skills gap is becoming a growing challenge
  - Organizations are increasing reskilling their employees
    - Concern that they may leave after obtaining new skills
  - Employees are eager to learn & grow



### **Analytics**

- IPMA-HR conducted a study in 2018 on HR Analytics that found 70% of respondents are collecting HR metrics
  - Over half report using data analysis to improve HR strategy and support
  - The most common improvement cited was better communication with senior leadership, with almost 70% believing that reporting on HR analytics affected HR's strategic influence either somewhat or to a great deal
  - However, only 20% reported that their organizations provide training for data collection analysis



#### HR 2020

Shifting Perspectives:
A Vision for Public Sector HR



## HR 2020 Shifting Perspectives: A Vision for Public Sector HR

- The report is intended as a practical guide for public sector HR professionals
- The report identifies 3 lenses Business Acumen, Innovation, Strategic Orientation through which HR strategies should be viewed
- 5 focus areas included Leadership, Culture, Talent,
   Communications, & Technology
- Website established to share resources & tools https://www.ipma-hr.org/stay-informed/researchand-reports/hr-2020-shifting-perspectives
- Free Online assessments are available



#### Thank You!

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