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This is your year to enhance your organizational change management skills! More information below!



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7 Reasons Your New Year Changes Won't Last

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So here we are into the New Year and I'll bet you're one of the millions that have made their 2020 resolutions. And like millions of others, many of these won't last.

So why aren't the changes we make sustainable?

- 1. **Distractions:** Sheer will power doesn't work and old habits die hard. We make unconscious decisions so that our lives are easier to "do" which can ultimately work against you. Not to mention the bombarding influences of social media, advertising and peer pressure.
- 2. **Unrealistic Expectations:** It's not an obtainable objective to expect to lose 5 pounds in a week so why set up a goal that sabatoges yourself right off the bat? You will lose any momentum when it doesn't occur.
- 3. **Negative Self-Talk:** The last thing you want to do is say to yourself "Now I've completely blown it" because it doesn't mean a full relapse. So you slipped...so what! Use the slip as an opportunity to learn what needs adjusting so that you can continue on your journey.
- 4. **Blaming Others:** Blaming others may feel good in the short term but has long term consequences of perpetuating discouragement. Not learning from the setback and taking ownership for your own change benefits no one especially you!
- 5. **Ambivalence:** You will have to invest time and effort as well as taking risks to make your changes stick. Are you ready to do that no matter the cost?
- 6. **Lack of Support:** Some of those in your life may be threatened when you try to initiate a positive action for yourself because it means they may also need to make a change which they aren't ready to do yet.
- 7. Lack of Preparation: Setback and relapses are inevitable. Change doesn't occur in a linear fashion. Two steps forward, one step back. Not being ready for these can catch you off guard.

Now for the **GOOD NEWS!** It's all doable....with some intention and purposeful actions.

- 1. **Get Really Clear on Your Commitment and Motivations:** Write down the reasons you want to make the change and the consequences of not doing so. Making a public commitment to others will help cement it for you because it's more challenging to go back on your word.
- 2. **Identify Your Triggers:** Being aware is truly one of the first, most powerful steps in creating long term change. And it really helps to keep you grounded when the chaos of "life" happens.
- 3. **Practice Your Lapses Before They Occur:** Imagine a scenario where your attempted change is failing and then imagine what your response will be. Preparing yourself for the moment before it occurs helps you to deal with it more intentionally in the moment it does occur.
- 4. **Find the Right Support:** Find people in your life that will boost you up and help you to focus. Those that provide a safe place but will keep you accountable. And don't let the "bad guys" get you down.
- 5. **Create Your Own Rewards Package:** We do the things we do because they provide some kind of reinforcement that works for us. Find small ways to reward yourself that will keep you going.

Lapses, mistakes and slips are common but they are actually necessary! They provide you feedback about what is working and what needs adjusting.

Our best wishes to you for a successful 2020!

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