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Retirement Wellness

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ELEVATING THE DISCUSSION

Financial Wellness

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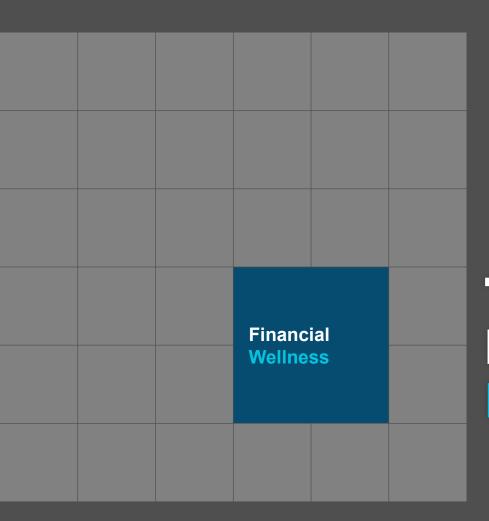
Overview

- **The Importance of Financial Wellness**
- **Elevating the Financial Wellness Discussion**

Tools and Resources Available

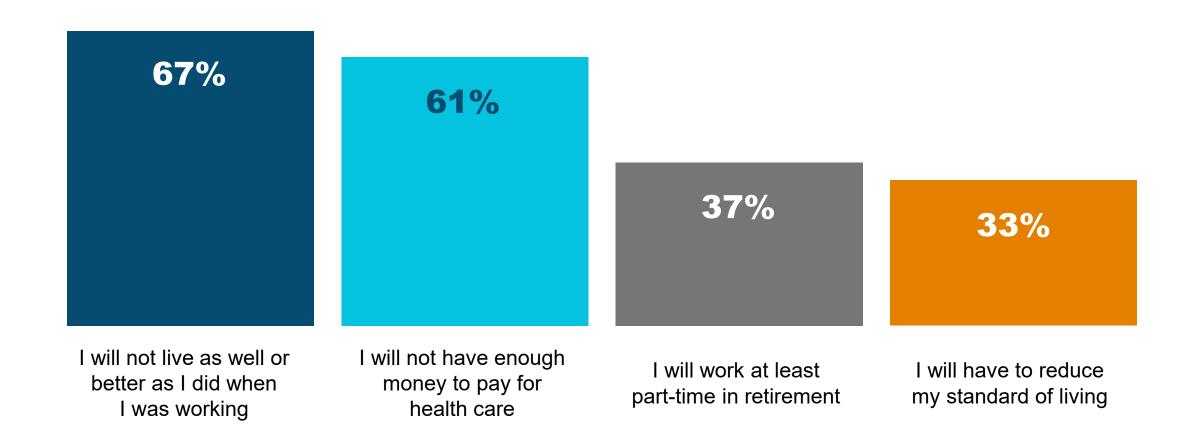






The Importance of Financial Wellness— Employees

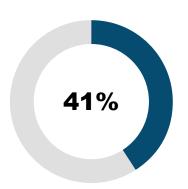
Employees have concerns about retirement



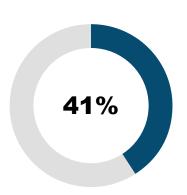
Source: T. Rowe Price Retirement Savings and Spending study (June, 2019)

Employees have other priorities

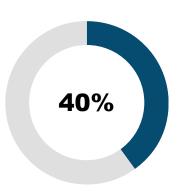
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Budgeting dayto-day expense

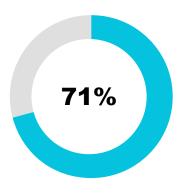


Reducing debt (credit card, home equity, etc.)

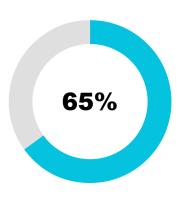


Reducing student loan debt

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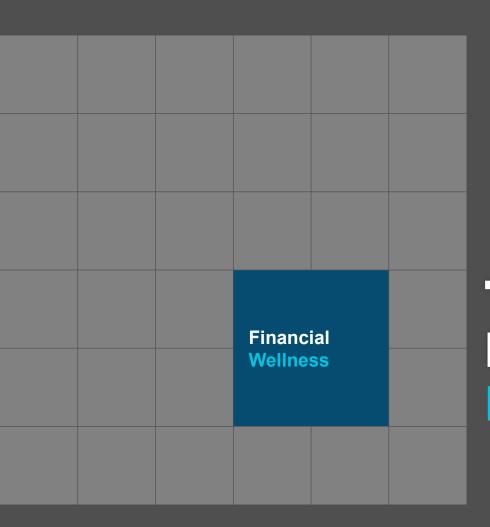
Having financial peace of mind



Having an acceptable quality of life

Source: T. Rowe Price Retirement Savings and Spending study (June, 2019)





The Importance of Financial Wellness— Employers

Significant implications for the bottom line



Payroll expenses per employee, per year, due to lost productivity

Source: Hot Topics in Retirement Study, Alight Solutions (2017)

Top reasons employers offer Financial Wellness



To enhance the overall employee experience



It's the right thing to do

Source: Hot Topics in Retirement and Financial Wellbeing, Alight Solutions (2020)

Positive business impact

TOP THREE FINANCIAL WELLNESS OBJECTIVES



Employee Satisfaction



Retirement Success



Recruitment

Sources: T. Rowe Price Financial Wellness Financial Professional Research, Duke University Common Cents Lab (2017)





The Importance of Financial Wellness—Financial Professionals



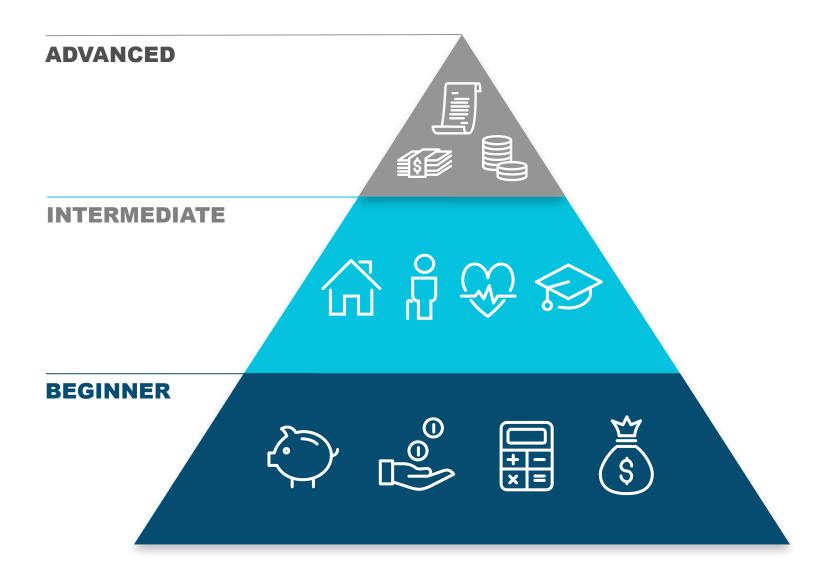
Top reasons to discuss Financial Wellness



Sources: T. Rowe Price Financial Wellness Financial Professional Research, Duke University Common Cents Lab (2017)



Hierarchy of Financial Wellness



Employers seek to help employees meet financial objectives



Improved Financial Literacy



Student Loan/ Credit Card Reduction



Increase in Emergency Funds



Increased
Retirement
Balance/Deferrals

Wellness is both financial and nonfinancial



Employers aim to impact employees' nonfinancial objectives



Less Stress



Increased Confidence

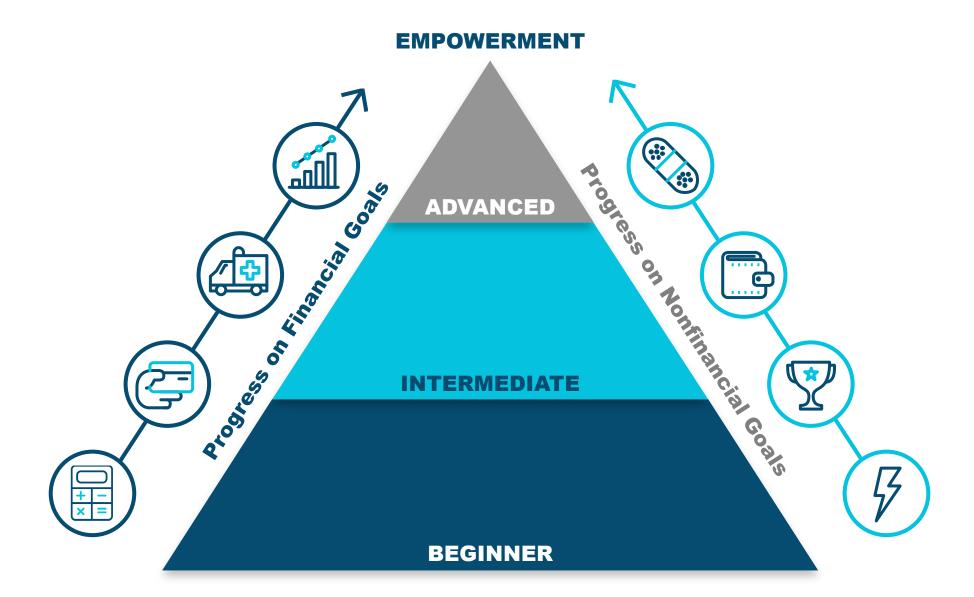


Fewer Distractions



Fewer Physical Ailments

Revised hierarchy of Financial Wellness





Holistic components of a Financial Wellness program



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Define Goals and Objectives

	Financial	Quasi / Nonfinancial
Employer	Improved Retirement SuccessGreater Recruitment SuccessIncreased Deferral Rates	 Enhanced Employee Experience Increased Retention Increased Productivity
Employee	 Reduced Student Loan/Credit Card Debt Increased Emergency Funds Increased Retirement Balance/Deferrals 	Less StressIncreased ConfidenceFewer Distractions

2 Identify Topics

TOP FOUR FINANCIAL WELLNESS TOPICS (ACCORDING TO FINANCIAL PROFESSIONALS)



Retirement Savings



Budgeting



Debt Management



Emergency Savings

HELP EMPLOYERS EVALUATE PROVIDERS' OFFERINGS



Review the depth and breadth of a provider's offerings



Ensure the content and delivery methods match employee needs



Evaluate potential impact for employer



LEVERAGE PERSONAL INTERACTION AND TECHNOLOGY



In-Person Meetings

Ranked the #1 most
effective method of
implementing a Financial
Wellness program



Apps

Ranked the #2 most
effective method of
implementing a Financial
Wellness program

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OPTIMAL DEPLOYMENT SUPPORTS INDIVIDUALS TAKING ACTION

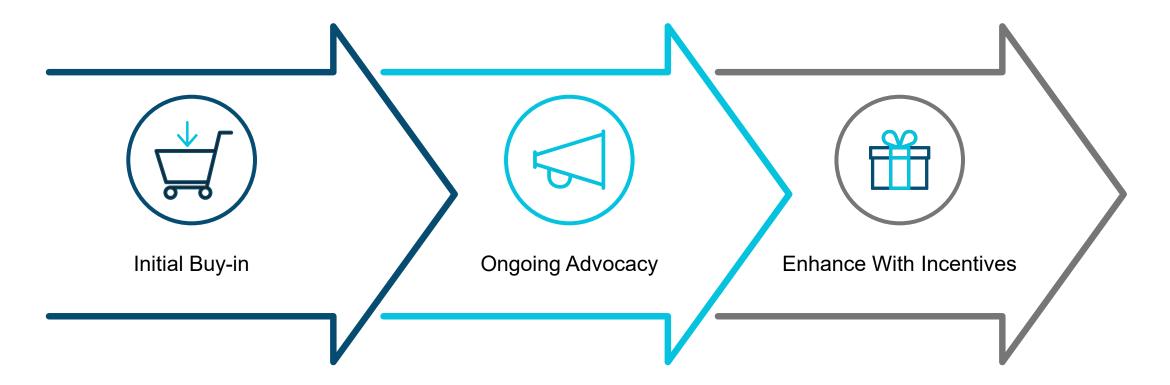


Supporting Financial Wellness is about the ability and action to change behavior.



Small incremental steps can have a measurable impact.

ADVOCACY IS CRITICAL TO SUCCESS





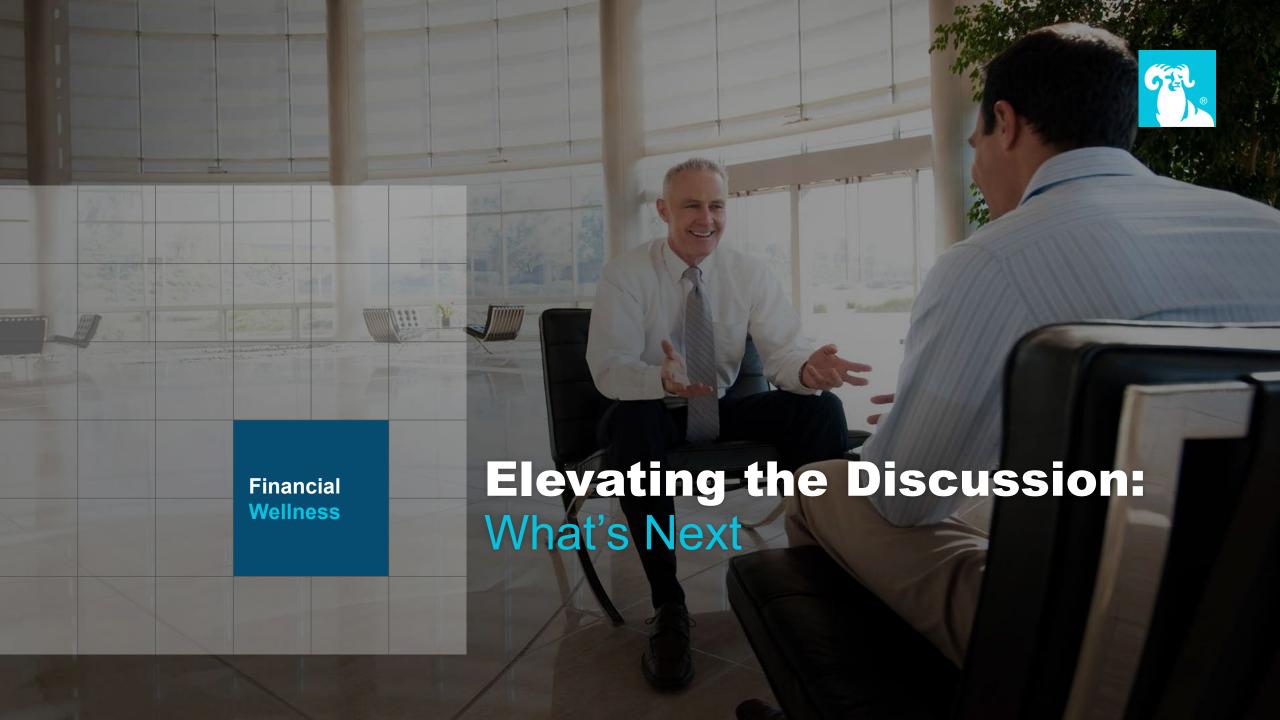
Measure Progress and Success



- % of participants taking hardship withdrawals
- Plan participation rate
- Average deferral rate
- Self-reported levels of debt, emergency savings



- Engagement with promotional activities
- Engagement with content or meeting attendance
- Financial stress/confidence levels
- Employee satisfaction



A growing opportunity

O/O GROWTH EXPECTED

The U.S. Financial Wellness benefits market is expected to reach over \$825 million by 2024, growing at a CAGR of more than 13% from 2018–2024

Source: Financial Wellness Benefits Market in US - Industry Outlook and Forecast 2019-2024, Arizton, PR Newswire (5/9/19)

A growing opportunity

For the third year in a row, Financial Wellness ranked as the #1 area of communication focus for employers

A growing opportunity

61%

Of employers say financial wellness has **gained more importance** at their organization over the last two years.

44%

Of employers say their organization has a financial wellness strategy.

45%

Of employers say their organization is in the process of creating a financial wellness strategy.

Innovations in communication and delivery



Targeted communications



Incentives



A more integrated, multi-channel approach



Interactivity



Personalized learning paths to increase engagement



Rewards to support changes in behavior



Tools for financial professionals



Insights

Apply this broad spectrum of intelligence and research to expand your understanding of the Financial Wellness value proposition and frame the discussion with employers and employees.



Presentations

Learn the importance of both financial and nonfinancial aspects of Financial Wellness as well as a process for establishing a successful program and leveraging innovations to help support and track progress.

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Tools for use with employers



Insights

Access this intelligence to help employers understand the financial and nonfinancial benefits that Financial Wellness programs offer to both employers and employees.



Presentations

Leverage turnkey presentations—complete with speaker notes—to initiate or deepen the financial wellness discussion and demonstrate the value of a new or enhanced financial wellness program.



Workbooks

Utilize these tools to assess Financial wellness needs; guide the program selection discussions; establish goals and align them to success metrics; assess and select a program; and measure program effectiveness.

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Tools for use with employees



Conversation Starters

Use these tools to engage with employees regarding their financial needs and initiate the Financial Wellness discussion.



Presentations

Leverage turnkey presentations—complete with speaker notes—to introduce Financial Wellness concepts and key steps employees can take to achieve short and long-term financial goals and retire with confidence.

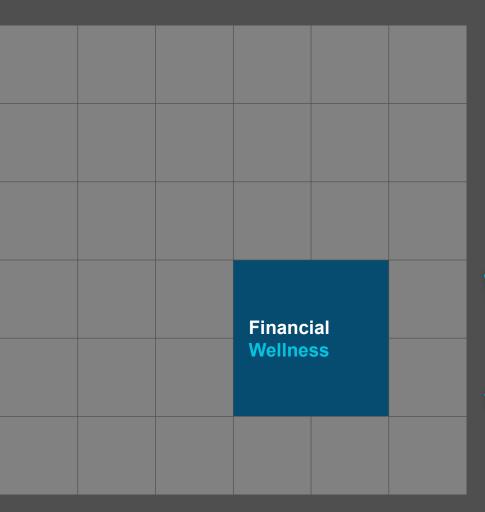
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Summary

- Communicate the importance of Financial Wellness
- Elevate the Financial Wellness discussion with your clients
- Leverage TRP tools and resources



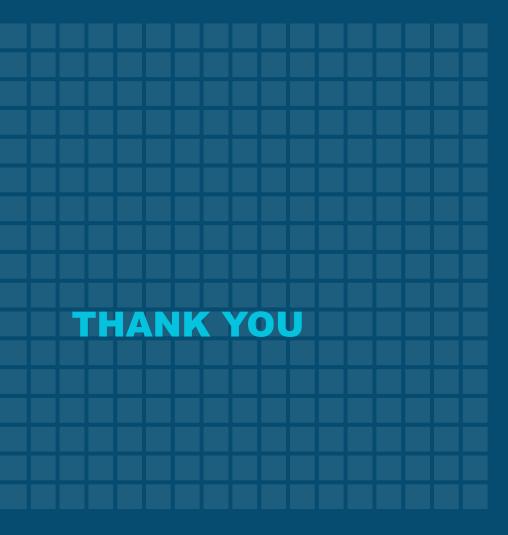


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