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## The nitty-gritty practices of agile coaching

### What is the goal of Agile?







#### Move Quicker?

#### Get more stuff done?

#### Save Money?





How often is your Scrum team releasing to production?

**Everyday?** 

Weekly?

Monthly?

Yearly?

I don't know hopefully soon?



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Companies adopt Agile to get better results—not for the sake of adopting Agile.

How can I evaluate if my coaching is achieving better results?



#### **Generative Culture**

Prepared to challenge status quo in pursuit of maximizing value & reducing waste? - Quickly run experiments within your team # bring back findings frequently? Commit to learning & reading and bringing learnings back to the group: Delivery Transformation

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## IT performance predicts organizational performance

#### 2017 State of DevOps Report

2017 State of DevOps Report | presented by Puppet + DORA

#### Table 2: 2017 IT performance by cluster

Survey questions	High IT performers	Medium IT performers	Low IT performers
<b>Deployment frequency</b> For the primary application or service you work on, how often does your organization deploy code?	On demand (multiple deploys per day)	Between once per week and once per month	Between once per week and once per month*
Lead time for changes For the primary application or service you work on, what is your lead time for changes (i.e., how long does it take to go from code commit to code successfully running in production)?	Less than one hour	Between one week and one month	Between one week and one month*
<b>Mean time to recover (MTTR)</b> For the primary application or service you work on, how long does it generally take to restore service when a service incident occurs (e.g., unplanned outage, service impairment)?	Less than one hour	Less than one day	Between one day and one week
<b>Change failure rate</b> For the primary application or service you work on, what percentage of changes results either in degraded service or subsequently requires remediation (e.g., leads to service impairment, service outage, requires a hotfix, rollback, fix forward, patch)?	O-15%	0-15%	31-45%

\* Note: Low performers were lower on average (at a statistically significant level), but had the same median as the medium performers.



## The team scoreboard and the metrics of change



#### **Discuss:**

- How does strong performance in this delivery capability help organizations?
- Imagine your team is a high performer in this metric—you are deploying to production multiple times a day. What does it feel like?
- What changes or practices could a team experiment with to improve this metric?



# How long it takes to go from code commit to code successfully running in production for the primary service or application they work on



**Deployment Frequency** 

## How often their organization deploys code for the primary service or application they work on



How long it generally takes to restore service for the primary application or service they work on when a service incident (e.g., unplanned outage, service impairment) occurs



# Percentage of changes for the primary application or service they work on either result in degraded service or subsequently require remediation



## **Continuous Improvement**

#### How can we get better?



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#### From theory...to application





#### What's your Next Step?





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In 2017, research shows high performers have 46 times more frequent code Imagine your team is a high performer in this metric—you are deploying to deployments than their lower- performing peers. How does strong production multiple times a day. What does it feel like? performance in this delivery capability help organizations? **Deployment frequency** For the primary application or service you work on, how often does your organization deploy code? What changes or practices could a team experiment with to improve this Notes metric?



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Lead time for changes

For the primary application or service you work on, what is your lead time for changes (i.e., how long does it take to go from code commit to code successfully running in production)?

What changes or practices could a team experiment with to improve this metric?

Notes



In 2017, research shows high performers have 96 times faster mean time to recover from downtime than their lower- performing peers. How does strong performance in this delivery capability help organizations?

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Mean time to restore (MTTR)

For the primary application or service you work on, how long does it generally take to restore service when a service incident occurs (e.g., unplanned outage, service impairment)?

What changes or practices could a team experiment with to improve this metric?

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In 2017, research shows high performers have 5 times lower change failure rate (changes are 1/5 as likely to fail) than their lower- performing peers. How does strong performance in this delivery capability help organizations?

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Change failure rate

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