



# Reliability-Centered Maintenance

**Root Cause Analysis** 

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- Author, Reliability Centered Maintenance using RCM Blitz™ & Clean Green & Reliable
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President and Founder of ThinkReliability

- Has 20+ years of experience helping organizations (frontline personnel, technical leads and executives) develop a prevention culture
- Focuses on incident investigation (RCA) as a way to improve the reliability of work processes
- Holds a degree in Mechanical Engineering and began career at the Dow Chemical Company
- Became Certified Reliability Engineer through the American Society for Quality in 1993



#### **Root Cause Analysis**



#### What DID happen?

A method of investigating an incident to identify specific actions for preventing it from occurring.

(Reactive)

#### **Reliability Centered Maintenance**



#### What COULD happen?

An approach for developing a maintenance strategy to ensure equipment and process function in accordance to its inherent designed safety and reliability capabilities.

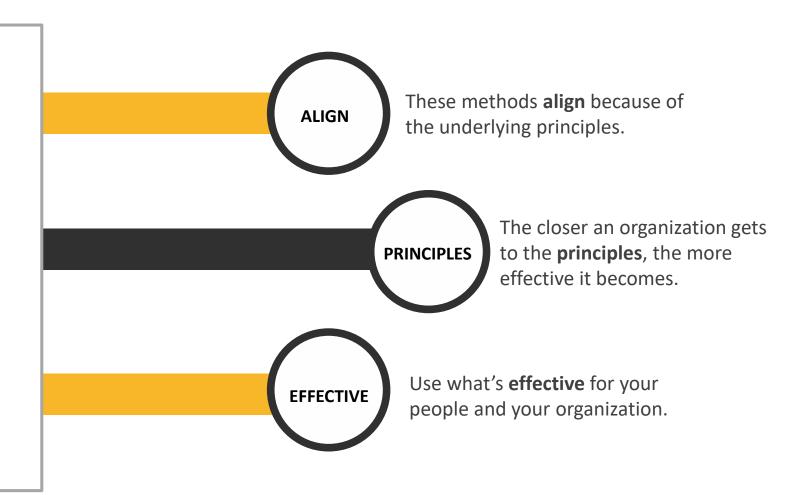
(Proactive)





#### **Focus on the Principles**

- Reliability-Centered Maintenance
- Root Cause Analysis
- Six Sigma
- Total Productive Maintenance
- Kaizen
- Failure Modes Effects Analysis
- Quality
- Lean Manufacturing
- Value Streaming
- Total Quality Maintenance
- Error Proofing
- 5S
- 8D



It's not just that the method is applied. It's HOW the method is applied.



#### RCM and RCA are both based on:

#### **Cause-and-Effect Principle**



Every effect has causes. Failure modes are causes.

#### **Systems Thinking**



Every system breaks down into parts.

The system itself (the piece of equipment or the unit operation) dictates how the levels are broken down for the FMEA.

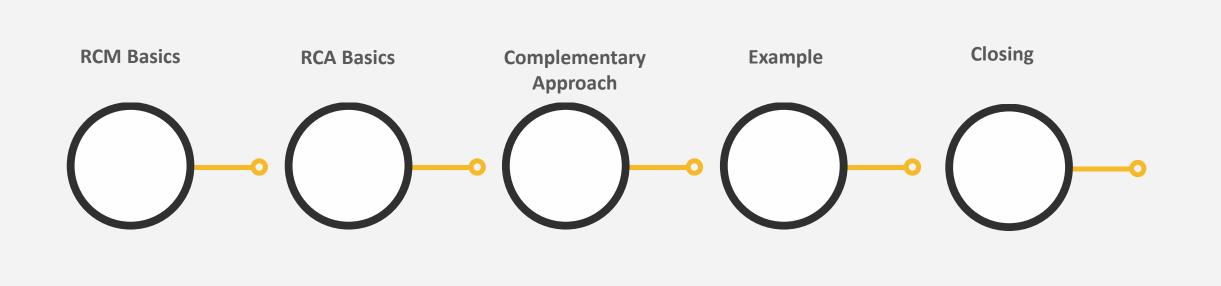
#### **Work Process**



Both focus on improving work processes with specific actions.









#### **POLL QUESTION No. 1**

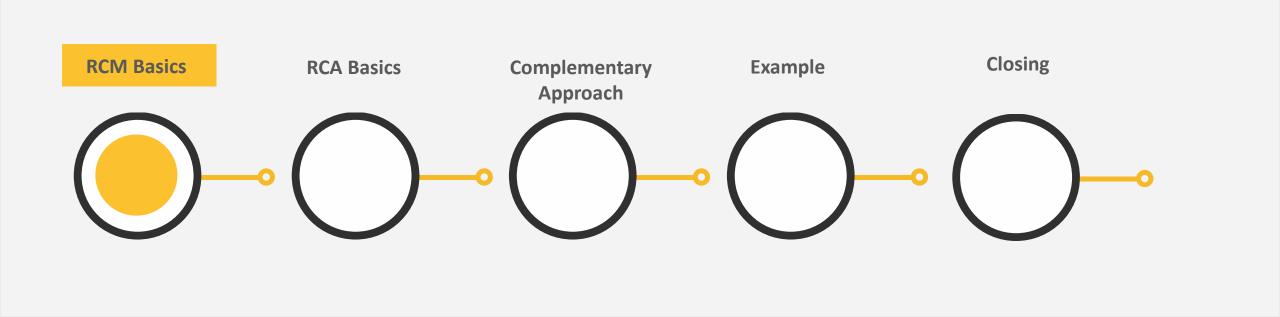


Are you currently using RCM to develop your maintenance strategy at your facility? (Click only one answer)

- Yes, on all equipment
- Yes, for critical assets only
- No; we would like to use RCM but have yet to start doing so
- No; we have no plans to use RCM





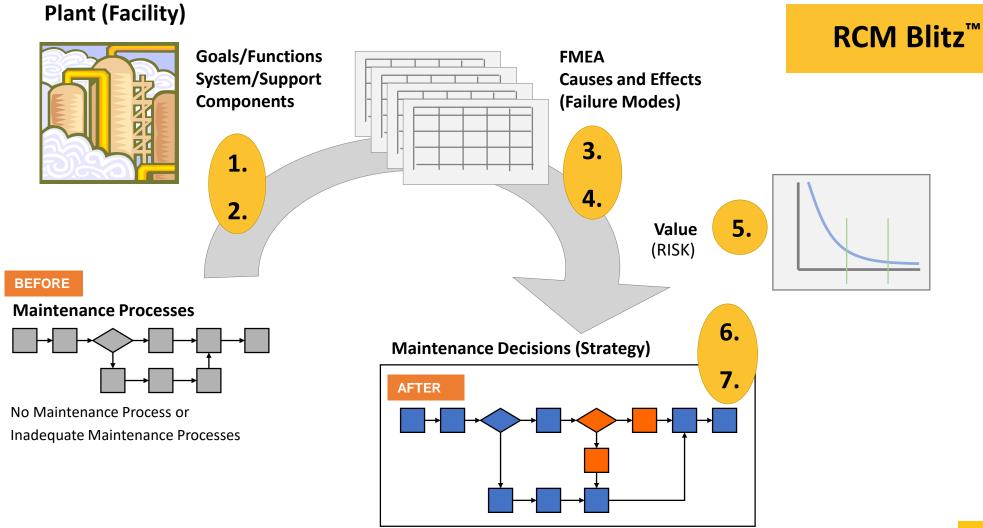




# **7 Basic Questions**

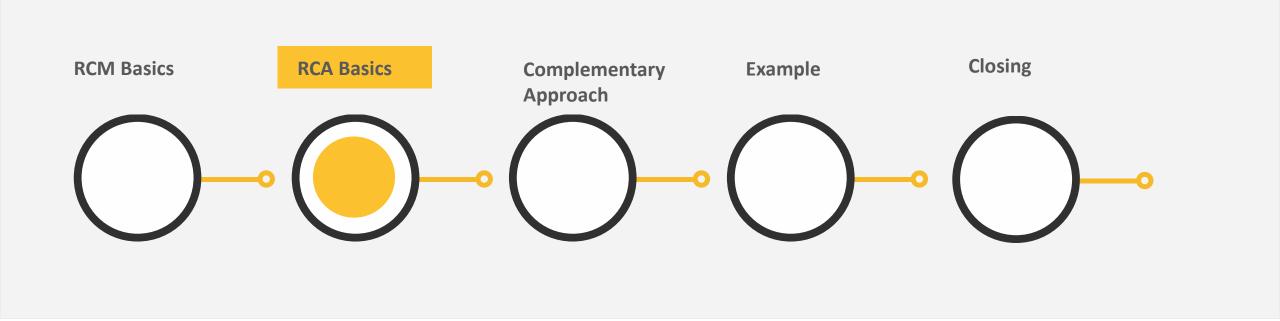
Goals Systems Components	<b>1 2</b>	What are the functions of the asset (operating context)?  In what ways can it fail to fulfill its function?
FMEA Causes and effects (Failure Modes)	3	What causes each functional failure? What when each failure occurs? happens
Value	5	In what ways does each failure matter?
Maintenance Decisions (Strategy)	<ul><li>6</li><li>7</li></ul>	What should be done to predict / prevent each failure? What should be done if proactive tasks cannot be found?













#### **POLL QUESTION No. 2**



### Does your organization look for:

(Click only one answer)

- The root cause
- Multiple root causes
- Different types of causes latent, primary, contributing, physical, human, system
- None of the above



# Cause Mapping® Method

Problem Solving • Root Cause Analysis

**Problem** 

Deviation from the **GOALS** Consequence

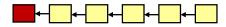


**Analysis** 

3 **Solutions**  **Timeline** 



Effectiveness of Solution(s) Cause-and-Effect



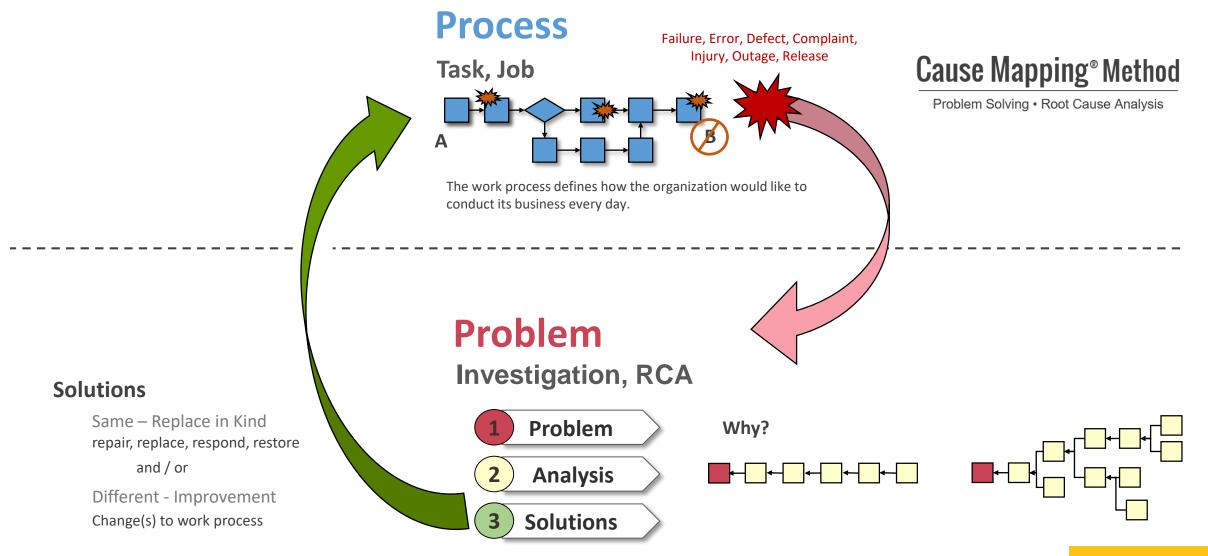
**Problem Solving** 

Why? Troubleshooting

Incident Investigation

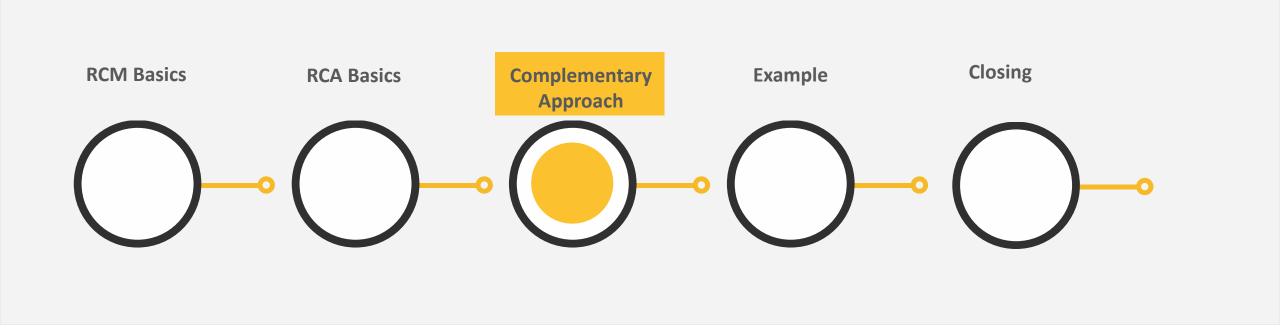
**Root Cause Analysis** 



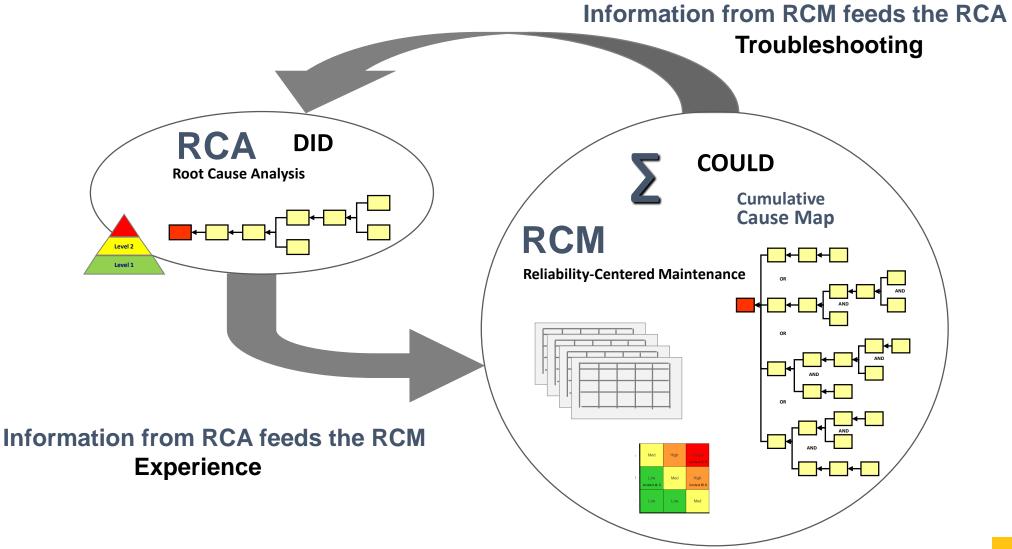




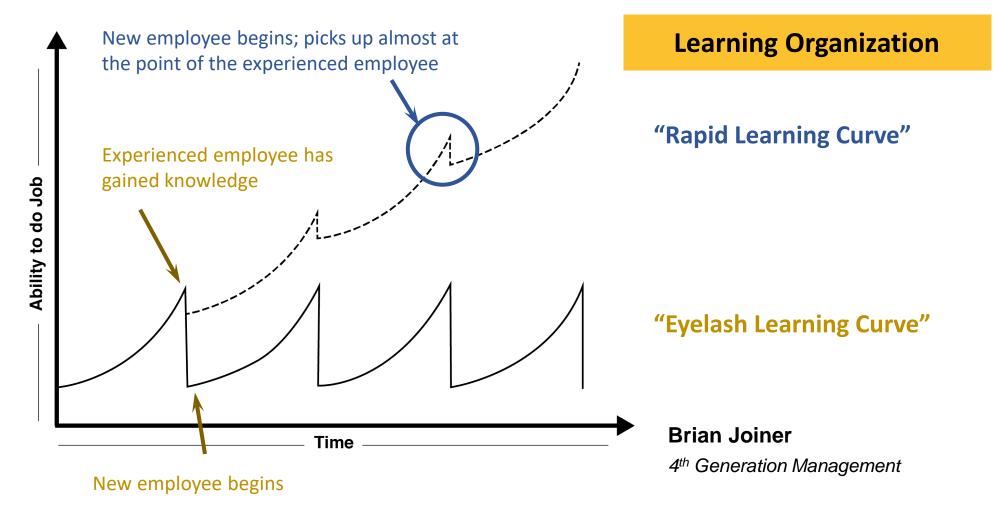






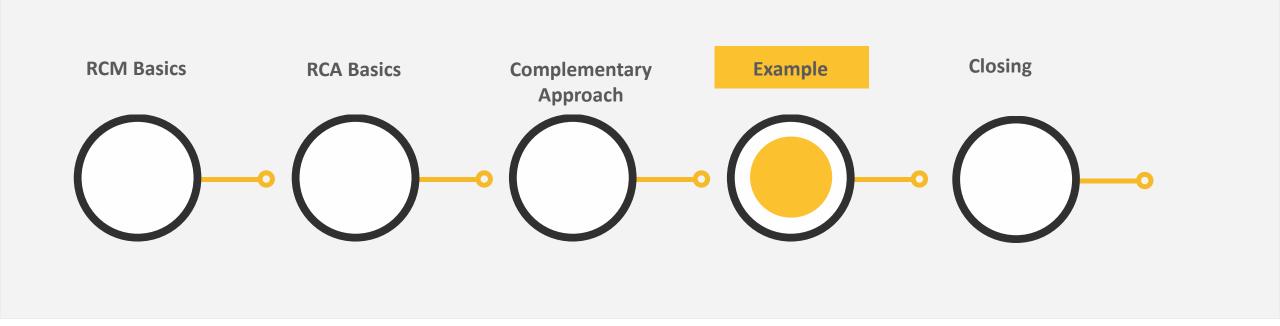






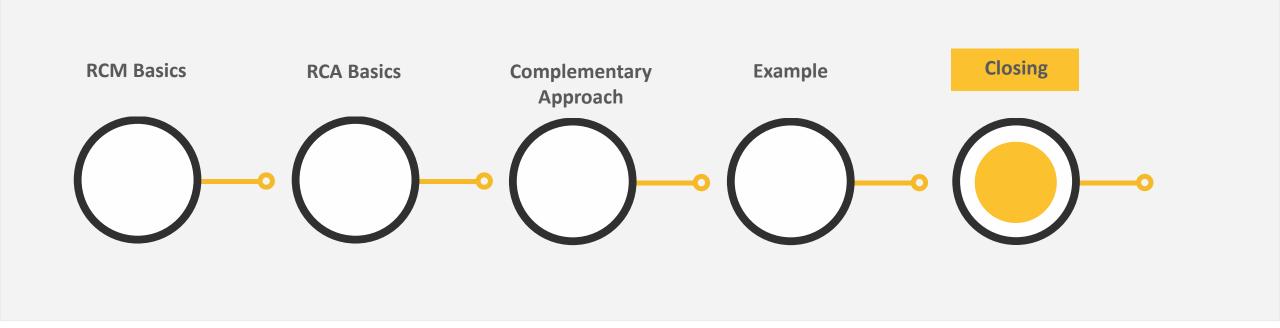














#### **6 Benefits**

- Clarifies overall reliability approach
- Better communication in problem solving
- Collects equipment history visually
- Improves troubleshooting detail
- Develops continuity in the organization
- RCM improves RCA, RCA improves RCM



### **Symptoms of Ignoring Maintenance Process**

- Many repeat problems occur
- People do the same work differently
- Breakdowns in handoffs between groups
- Rework, inefficiencies, too many touches
- Complicated training







Visit <u>bit.ly/RCM-RCA</u> or scan the QR code above to receive a copy of the resources mentioned.

#### Questions

# Thank you!

# **QUESTIONS?**



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