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Title

Becoming a Better Leader through Executive Leadership Coaching

Abstract

Members of the largest generation are retiring, leaving voids in leadership at the top. Furthermore, as the complexity of the work environment increases more leaders are engaging coaches to help them manage difficult challenges. Executive leadership coaching is a personalized professional development process with the goal of enhancing leadership skills and behaviors to have a positive impact on business. Coaching empowers leaders to set goals and proactively manage their careers to prepare for future roles and opportunities. This presentation will focus on what executive leadership coaching is, the benefits of coaching, an overview of the coaching process and how to identify a coach that is a good fit. By identifying what is most important to the client, they become more self-aware and learn to use tools to make positive changes in their lives, their organizations and their communities.

Learning Objectives

- Understand the potential benefits of leadership coaching.
- Learn about the coaching process.
- Describe the criteria for selecting an executive leadership coach.

Biography

Dr. Carol A. Lefebvre received her DDS and MS in Prosthodontics from the University of Michigan School of Dentistry. Dr. Lefebvre served as Dean at The Dental College of Georgia (DCG) at Augusta University for nine years after serving as the Vice Dean/Associate Dean for Strategic Initiatives and Faculty Affairs and Section Director of Removable Prosthodontics. She is currently Dean and Professor Emerita. Dr. Lefebvre is a recipient of DCG's Excellence in Teaching and Outstanding Faculty Member Awards. She is a Diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontics and a Fellow in the Academy of Prosthodontics, American College of Prosthodontists, International College of Dentists, American College of Dentists and the Pierre Fauchard Academy as well as a member of Omicron Kappa Upsilon. Dr. Lefebvre served as Editor-in-Chief for *The Journal of Prosthetic Dentistry* (JPD) for nine years and is currently Chair-Elect of the Editorial Council for the JPD. Dr. Lefebvre is a 2005-2006 fellow of the Hedwig van Ameringen Executive Leadership in Academic Medicine (ELAM) program and a Certified Executive Leadership Coach through the University of Georgia. She is an advisor for the ELAM and ADEA Leadership Institute programs. In addition, she serves as an Executive Leadership Coach for the ELAM program. Dr. Lefebvre is the Chair of the Academy of Prosthodontics Foundation and was the recipient of the Academy's 2024 Distinguished Service Award.

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