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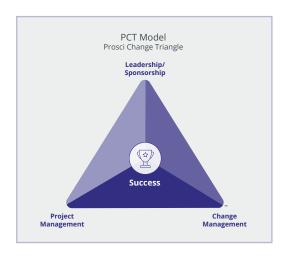
Assessing Project Health



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The Prosci Change Triangle (PCT) Model is a simple but powerful framework for understanding the four critical aspects of any successful change effort:

- Success: clarity on the aim or purpose of the initiative.
- Leadership/sponsorship: provides strategy, direction and guidance.
- **Project management:** addresses the technical side of change by designing, developing and delivering the solution.
- Change management: addresses the people side of change by enabling people to engage, adopt and use the solution to achieve results and outcomes.



Why:

The PCT Assessment is used to position the project for success by assessing project health across the four critical aspects at a point in time. If a project is weak in any of the four elements, it will struggle or fail. PCT Assessment scores are a leading indicator of the potential for a successful implementation.

The PCT Model is valuable for project teams and change management professionals in a number of ways:

- Provides project teams with common language and context for the four elements of successful change.
- Positions the unique contribution of change management relative to project management and leadership/sponsorship.
- Evaluates the health of an initiative at a point in time. Through repeated application, it evaluates progress over the project lifecycle.
- · Identifies organizational competencies and gaps by looking at assessment results from multiple projects.

When:

Complete an initial PCT Assessment early in the lifecycle of the project to establish a baseline. Conduct the assessment again at key points during the project to see if scores are improving. Each time the assessment is conducted, create a set of action plans to improve performance where scores are low.

Who:

The PCT Assessment can be completed by the change management team, project team, senior leaders and key business leaders from the impacted groups.

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Rank each factor on a 1-3 scale: 1 = inadequate, 2 = adequate, 3 = exceptional

| Success | Score: 1-3 |
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| 1. Inputs into the change management process are defined (may include a business case, charter, scope, or plan). | |
| 2. Organizational benefits are fully defined (what the organization gains). | |
| 3. Project objectives are fully defined (what the project achieves). | |
| 4. Adoption and usage objectives are fully defined. | |
| 5. Units of measure for benefits and objectives are established. | |
| 6. Benefits and objectives are prioritized. | |
| 7. Benefit and objective ownership is designated. | |
| 8. People dependency of benefits and objectives is evaluated. | |
| 9. The definition of success is clear and ready to be communicated. | |
| 10. The sponsorship coalition is aligned to a common definition of success. | |
| Sum of points for Success (out of 30 total) | |

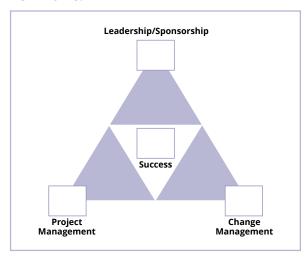
| Leadership/Sponsorship | Score: 1–3 |
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| The change has a primary sponsor with the necessary authority over the people, processes and systems to authorize and fund the change. | |
| 2. The primary sponsor can clearly explain the nature of the change, the reason for the change, and the benefits for the organization. | |
| 3. The organization has a clearly defined vision and strategy. | |
| 4. The change is aligned with the strategy and vision for the organization. | |
| 5. Priorities are set and communicated regarding the change and other competing priorities. | |
| 6. The primary sponsor is resolving issues and making decisions related to the project schedule, scope and resources. | |
| 7. The primary sponsor is actively and visibly participating throughout the lifecycle of the change. | |
| 8. The primary sponsor is encouraging senior leaders to participate in and support the change by building a sponsor coalition. | |
| 9. The primary sponsor is building awareness of the need for the change directly with employees. | |
| 10. The primary sponsor is visibly reinforcing the change by celebrating successes and addressing resistance. | |
| Sum of points for Leadership/Sponsorship (out of 30 total) | |

| Project Management | Score: 1–3 |
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| 1. The nature of the change is clearly defined including who is impacted and how. | |
| 2. The project has specific objectives. | |
| 3. The project has a clearly defined scope. | |
| 4. The project has a project manager assigned to manage the project lifecycle. | |
| 5. Project milestones are identified and a project schedule is complete. | |
| 6. A work breakdown structure with deliverables is complete. | |
| 7. Resources for the project are identified and acquired. | |
| 8. Periodic meetings are scheduled with the project team and key stakeholders to track progress and resolve issues. | |
| 9. The project manager understands the value of change management in ensuring the change will be adopted and used. | |
| 10. The Change Management Plan is integrated with the Project Management Plan. | |
| Sum of points for Project Management (out of 30 total) | |

| Change Management | Score: 1–3 |
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| 1. The change is applying a structured change management approach to deliver the benefits to the organization. | |
| 2. An assessment of the change and its impact on individuals and the organization is complete. | |
| 3. An assessment of the change risk is complete. | |
| 4. The change has specific adoption and usage objectives. | |
| 5. An assessment of the strength of the sponsor coalition is complete. | |
| 6. A customized and scaled change management strategy with the necessary sponsorship commitment is complete. | |
| 7. The resources required to execute the change strategy and plans are identified, acquired and prepared. | |
| 8. Change management plans that will mitigate resistance and achieve adoption and usage are complete and are being implemented. | |
| 9. The effectiveness of change management is being monitored and adaptive actions are being taken if required to achieve adoption and usage. | |
| 10. The organization is prepared to own and sustain the change. | |
| Sum of points for Change Management (out of 30 total) | |

PCT Assessment Analysis

PCT Profile:



Score interpretation:

| 10-19 | High risk/threat – needs immediate action |
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| 20-24 | Alert/possible risk – needs further investigation |
| 25-30 | Strength – should be leveraged and maintained |

Notes

Actions to Improve Project Health

What specific factors need to be addressed to improve project health?

| Aspect: (S, L/S, PM, CM) | Factor # | Action |
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