

## Succession Planning Diagnostic

Please respond to the questions below by selecting from the following responses:

- 1 = Not yet or not sure
- 2 = Sometimes
- 3 = Definitely

- \_\_\_ Our succession planning process is well understood by our executive team.
- \_\_\_ Our senior leaders are clear on their role in the succession planning process.
- \_\_\_ Our senior leaders actively support the succession planning process.
- \_\_\_ Our senior leaders have identified a core of critical roles in our organization.
- \_\_\_ Our senior leaders have defined criteria to objectively identify and select successors.
- \_\_\_ Our organization does succession reviews at least once a year - identifying and discussing slates of successors for each key role.
- \_\_\_ Our organization actively develops successors in targeted ways to prepare them for key roles.
- \_\_\_ Our organization typically produces a diverse slate of successors.
- \_\_\_ Our senior leaders seek to understand the career aspirations of our key successors.
- \_\_\_ Our organization retains diverse successors at the same rate or higher than our broader leadership population.
- \_\_\_ Our organization fills the majority of key positions with internal candidates.
- \_\_\_ Our organization regularly measures the effectiveness of our succession planning process, based on key metrics we have established.
- \_\_\_ Now, total the number of points assigned from your responses. Once you have a total number, note which category it's in.

### 12-20 points

Your organization has **significant work to do** in succession planning and is likely not realizing ROI from the process.

### 21-28 points

Your organization has **targeted work to do** in certain aspects of succession planning. You are likely realizing only partial ROI from the process.

### 29-36 points

Your organization is **doing effective work** in succession planning. You are likely realizing significant ROI from the process.