does caring for your employees drive your talent attraction strategy.

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# the heightened stress



# of working from home.





### of respondents ranked work life balance

# as the most important EVP factor.

source: randstad malaysia employer brand research 2021

#### work-life balance remains the most unmet candidate expectation.



#### what employee seek in ideal employers

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- 03 COVID-19 safe work environment
- 04 financially healthy
- 05 career progression
- 06 job security
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#### what malaysia's employers are perceived to offer

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widest gaps between what an employee seek and what employers are perceived to offer.

work-life balance (7-point gap) attractive salary & benefits (5-point gap)

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#### mental health is a rising issue in malaysia.





Total productivity and business cost lost due to mental health issues at work was estimated at RM14.46 billion\* in 2018. Mental health services from private therapists or counsellors could cost between RM200-RM500 per session. Affordable options from RM50-100 per session. There are roughly only 1 psychiatrist to 100,000 people.

\*total productivity and business costs of mental health problems according to absenteeism, presenteeism (working while unwell) and staff turnover attributable to mental health issues.



## of malaysians will stay with their employer



# due to the experience with them during COVID-19.

source: randstad malaysia 2021 1H workmonitor survey

# leading with



# empathy & trust.

#### trust & empathy are the keys to success.

understand employee

sentiment

Introduce new feedback channels to measure employee sentiments and increase engagement. NL transform culture

& language

Train managers to be more considerate and competent in a remote environment.

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improve employee benefits

Revise compensation and benefit schemes to be more relevant for employees.

# communicating



## your culture.

## new HR incentives & benefits to create a positive work experience.



Nike, LinkedIn, Bumble, Hootsuite, Johnson & Johnson Paid time off to support mental health and wellness.



Facebook, Asana, Takeda Dedicated 'no-meetings day' to help alleviate "zoom fatigue".



Shell Malaysia, AIA Singapore

A one-time, no-strings-attached stipend of USD\$480 and SGD\$1000 respectively to buy IT equipment or pay for home utilities.

## new way of measuring employee productivity.

"Work is not where you do it but how you do it."



Klook quality, not quantity

Employee performance reviews have shifted from pure metrics to the quality of work done and goals achieved — "has the employee done the best they could given their situation?"



Exabytes using data to measure performance

When everyone is working from home, you don't get to travel or see each other. So the only thing you can do to determine results is to look at the data.

### new ways to engage your employees.



#### Changi Airport Group: health ownership

Gamified their company's health initiatives so employees could sign up for various health activities and earn "vitality points" in the process.

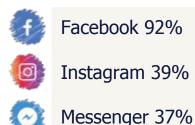
#### Randstad: on-demand learning platform & remote upskilling



Transformed offline training programmes to be conducted virtually to continue workforce learning, and expanded access to more than 2,000 on-demand modules on Randstad University online platform to enable employees to learn at their own pace.

#### social media is where the world happens.

Social media is the second channel talent used most to seek new jobs on, experiencing the largest increase of 10% YOY compared to other channels (26%-36%).



Employees are not afraid to share their experiences, good or bad, on social media. What they share online make a great difference to how others perceive your employer brand.

Caring for your employees' mental health will help position your firm as a progressive and highly-attractive employer in today's candidate-short landscape.



## parting food for thought.

some best practices to consider:

- regular surveys to measure engagement
- upskill your staff and enable them to work remotely
  - use an outcome-based approach
- set new work boundaries
  - working hours & methods of communication
- regular check-ins with the team members



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