

# AstraZeneca Aspiring Leader Program (AMP)

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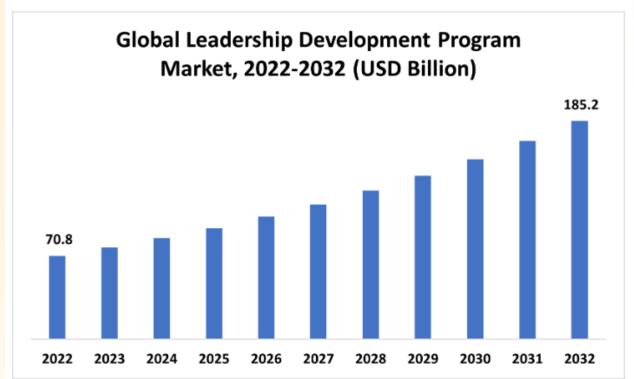
# The Landscape: Aspiring Manager Program



- Because of internal promotions and priorities, no cohorts in >2 years
- Previous experience delivered in Covid and utilizing AZ's traditional capstone approach
- No internal expertise as facilitation was outsourced
- Lack of internal vision made life difficult for outside partners
- Program restart seen as cultural tool to overcome employee survey scores so it was a top priority
- The usual leadership development challenges
  - High Expectations
  - Budget
  - Headcount

# Need/Spending Paradox at AstraZeneca





Global Leadership Development Program Market Scope and Report Structure

Report Attribute	Details
Market Size in 2022 (USD Bn)	70.8
Market Size in 2032 (USD Bn)	185.2
Growth Rate (2023-32)	10.1%

Global Insight Service. (March 2024). Leadership Development Program Market Analysis and Forecast to 2033. (Web)



# Leading vs. Managing



# **MANAGER VS. LEADER**

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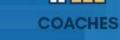


**DEVELOPS** 

PEOPLE



MINDSET





**LEADS WITH** 

INFLUENCE

**LEARNS** IT ALL



**LEADS WITH** 

AUTHORITY

**KNOWS** ITALL





**DEVELOPS** 

PROCESS



**FOCUSES ON EMPOWERMENT** 



FOCUSES ON STRENGTHS

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## **AMP Vision:**

- To appreciate, recognize and respect aspiring legacy leaders (build a great experience). To have fun.
- To encourage people to be their true, authentic selves
- To prepare leaders with the confidence to get the job and the skills to excel once they do



# A Simplified Focus On 3 Legacy Leadership Pillars



## **Lead** Motivate high performance

## **Develop** Coach

#### Vision



- Purpose
- Alignment
- · Difficult times

#### Future

- Transformation
- · Foster agility
- · Instill passion

## **Execute** Manage your business

#### Cadence



- · Regularity
- · Culture of preparation
- · Co-create plans

#### Expectations



- · Cascade strategies
- · Set challenging goals
- Exceed targets

#### Behaviors



- Consistency
- · Model 'great'
- · Expect change

#### Stakeholders



- Shareholders
- Balance
- · Prioritize from goals

#### **Executive Presence**



- · Live the values
- Authenticity
- · Balanced approach

#### Coach



- Observe
- · Provide feedback
- · Guide and direct change

### **Ownership Mindset**



- Responsibility
- Challenge practices
- · Succession plans

# 4-month Graduate School Inspired Teaching Schedule





#### Live Event 1:

- Peer-to-Peer Coaching Roleplays
  - Leadership Foundations
  - Emotional Intelligence
    - GROW Coaching
  - Courageous Conversations

Section 5: Authentic Leadership

Section 6: Team
Building/Vision statement

Moments-Based Simulation

Practice with an Expert – 1:1 role playing with a coaching expert

Section 7: Thinking like a leader/Strategic Decision Making

Section 8: Interview and hire top talent Section

Section 9: Performance management, managing inbox, writing feedback, HR policies, cycle of leadership

#### Live Event 2:

- Immersion Simulation
- Leading Inclusively
- Executive Presence, Impactful presentations, communications skills

<sup>\*\*</sup> available resources

# BTS is a global consulting firm that accelerates results by linking strategy with people and culture.



## Strategy Execution

A great strategy is worthless if it isn't well executed.



## Business Acumen

Equip your team with the business acumen needed to execute successfully.



## Leadership Development

Being effective as a leader can be learned. But it takes courage to be a rookie again.



### **Assessment**

Powerful experiences immerse participants in key elements of the business and leadership challenges of the role.



# Change & Transformation

Change has changed. Shouldn't the way you lead change, change too?



# Executives & Teams

BTS's executive development solutions will offer your leaders and transitioning executives the tools they need to create alignment and constantly view things with fresh eyes and an open mind.



### **BTS Coach**

Build coaching skills and create a coaching culture that serves as a strategic differentiator to drive business success.



## Innovation & Digital Transformation

Understand and execute the capabilities required to innovate successfully.



### Sales & Marketing

Integrating marketing and sales is transformational.



## **BTS Digital**

Digital capabilities, human touch.



# Diversity, Equity, Inclusion

At BTS, DEI is part of everything we do.



## **BTS Spark**

BTS Spark provides school leaders with access to world-class leadership coaching at not-for-profit prices.



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## **Moments-based Simulation**

Driving foundational sales capabilities requires leaders across the organization to buy into doing things differently.

Picture participants entering a storyline that is true to life and resonates... with relevant and critical situations, challenges, tradeoffs, and choices connected to critical leadership moments.

In teams of 5-7, your leaders practice what "great" looks like in those pivotal moments.

Debrief discussions bring the learning and insights forward, highlight the uncommon sense, and connect to what your leaders can start experimenting with back on the job.





# Practice with an Expert – Participants practice their coaching skills with a certified coaching expert

- Virtual experience that promotes learning through practice in an easy-to-consume format.
- Following a learning experience (e.g., self-paced videos, peer coaching, workshop) participants go through live, online practice and with an Expert Assessor/Coach.
- Provides participants a unique opportunity to practice and get feedback from an Expert Coach in a 1:1 live session and immediately apply what they learned back on the job
- 1:1 time with the Expert Coach is 2-3 sessions
- Target audience is individual contributors, first-line leaders, and mid-level leaders

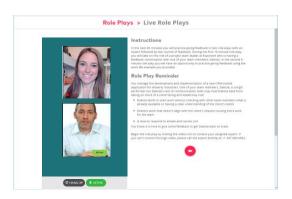
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**Live Practice** 

**Feedback** 

**Application** 





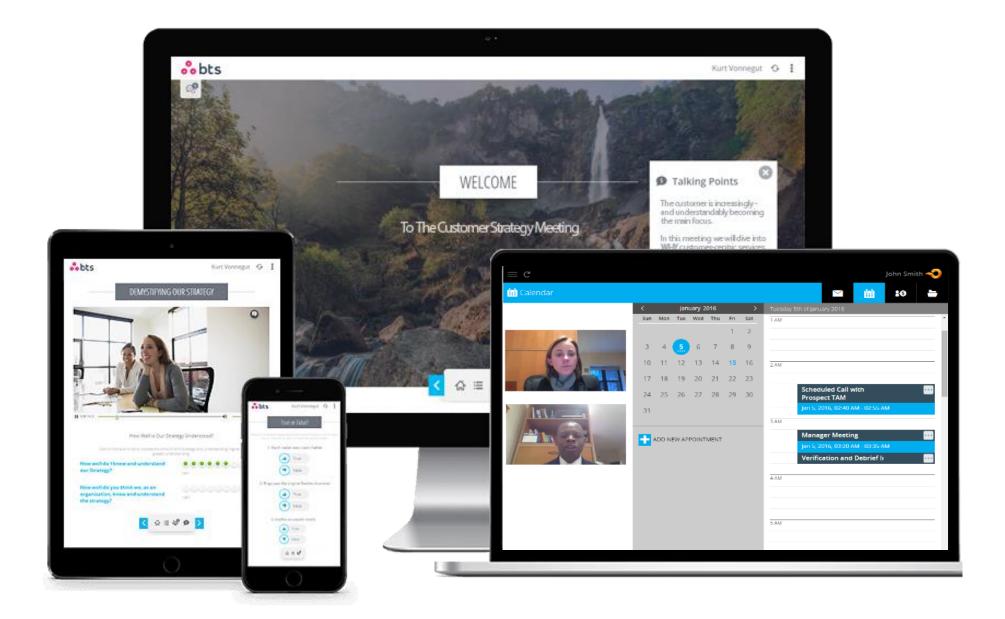




What makes it great? (from a participant)

"The knowledge and feedback of the coach. It was very valuable and impactful to my development."

## Virtual Individual Assessment – Overview



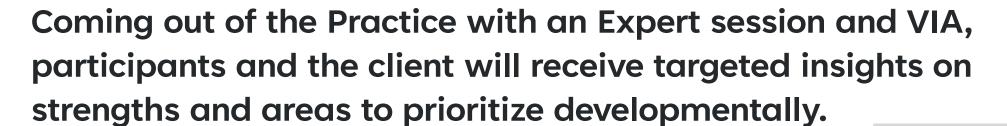






# Assessment without development is like a diagnosis without treatment

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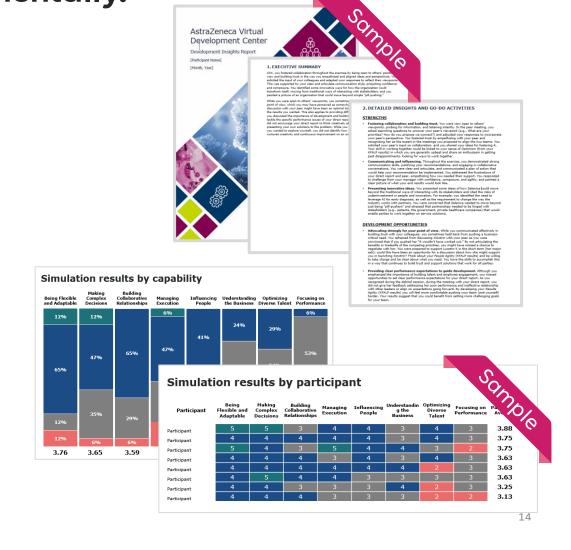
### What it is

## For participants:

- Insights Reports that consolidate behavioral observations.
- The Insights Report will outline strengths, gaps, and development recommendations.
- The Insights Report will be shared with manager to support coaching and development.

## For the organization:

- An Aggregate Insights Report that reviews performance across the three role plays assessed, including strengths and developmental gaps for the cohort.
- The Aggregate Insights report will also disclose developmental themes and recommendations for the cohort to inform ongoing talent planning and investments.





# Development Assessment Program for Early to Mid Level Talent Delivered Globally

40% Participants promoted at least once since participating in the program

64% Participants are on one or more succession plans, with 16% Ready Now (0-1 year) and 38% Ready Later (1-3 years).

92% Participants stay with the organization.

- 115 participants across all functional areas and countries around the world
  - Participants have diverse backgrounds, coming from around the globe and the Commercial, Operations, and Enabling functional areas, with varying levels of tenure.
- 115 individual, 4-hour assessments conducted with
   12 assessors over 3 weeks
  - An intense, immersive experience designed to provide participants with the opportunity to explore the challenges of broader leadership roles and create clear development plans to accelerate growth
- 345 tailored development recommendations were provided and debriefed with participants

# Today's Learning Focus:

- Using coaching and real-world based assessments in training to determine readiness levels
- Designing a novel training approach modeled off a graduate school inspired format
- Using analytics to support your development decisions
- Creating a learning journey that includes immersive experiences to disrupt and shift participant's mindsets

You will experience a simulation moment and hear how the simulation and assessments were customized for AstraZeneca.

Leadership simulations & assessments that were customized for AstraZeneca







# SIMULATION EXPERIENCE

(Abbreviated and Simplified)

Welcome to BioPharm Inc.

# A Typical Simulation By The Numbers













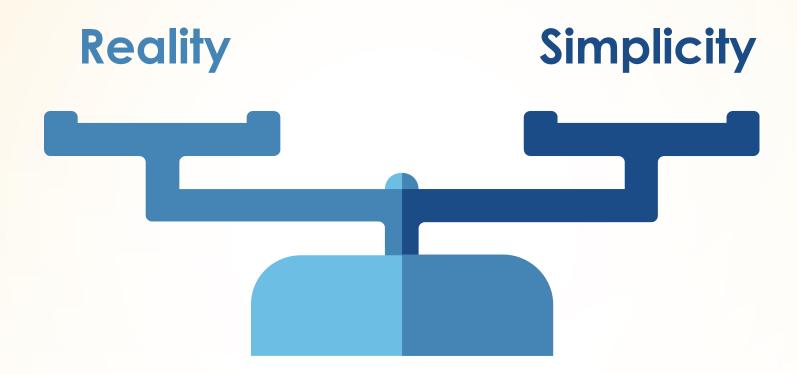


**DEBRIEFS** 



A WINNING TEAM





**Balanced Outcomes** 



# **Today's Metrics**

40%
New Business Growth

40% Selling Capabilities

20%
Training Department's Brand



## What is a moment?



Distinct and critical moments we face in our week, month, or quarter that will accelerate or inhibit our progress towards our mission, priorities, and vision.

Each moment is inspired from interviews with great and notyet-great performers in the participant's role and different levels of leaders.

## The Flow of a Simulation



## 3 MINUTES

## **MOMENT**

Read the moment and discuss as a team how you would handle it in real life.

## 7 MINUTES

## 3 OPTIONS

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Some have elements of great actions.

Some have elements of not-yet-great actions.

None are perfect.

Debate. Decide.

You must choose one.

## 2 MINUTES

## **CONSEQUENCES**

Each decision creates an impact or outcome.

Some are great.

Some are good.

Some are not...









Selling Capabilities



Training
Department's
Brand

# Simulation Board with Options



#### Scenario:

In your new role at BioPharm Inc., you are leading a team of pharmaceutical sales trainers tasked with revamping your organization's sales leader training workshops. Despite your best efforts and the adoption of up-to-date training methods, feedback from recent sessions indicates that both sales leaders and their managers find the workshops to be disconnected from the real-world challenges they face. Sales managers report that while the workshops are informative, they do not adequately equip them with the skills or strategies needed to navigate the increasingly complex healthcare marketplace, particularly in terms of digital engagement and impact with key customers.

You have been challenged to redesign these workshops to make them more relevant, immersive, and effective to drive a shorter time to competency.

How will you manage this request?



#### Option 1

#### Shift the program to a blended learning approach

Launch a Blended Learning Program in which sales managers tackle structured projects using digital engagement tools and integrate peer coaching practice based on their current challenges. This approach is complemented by mentorship and virtual peer-sharing groups to deepen sales managers' understanding of the healthcare landscape. This program includes a mix of interactive online modules and in-person workshops focused on the latest tools and leadership strategies, aimed at fostering a culture of continuous learning and adaptability.

- Ease to Implement by the Field and Training Department: Medium. Blended learning requires both online and inperson resources, which can be logistically challenging but is manageable with proper plannina.
- Cost: Medium. While digital tools and platforms incur initial setup costs, the integration of existing in-person training resources into digital tools can help mitigate overall expenses by saving on new custom- designed modules.
- Time Required for Participants to Complete: Medium. Blended learning allows for some flexibility, but the combination of in-person and online modules means that completing the program may require a significant time investment from participants.

#### Option 2

#### Incorporate experiential learning and evaluation

Implement a simulation-based learning approach by developing advanced, real-world simulations, coaching evaluations, and assessments that replicate demanding leadership, coaching, and strategic situations. This approach enables sales managers to gain experience and practice in navigating these challenging situations without real-world repercussions. This method is enhanced by collaborative debrief sessions for shared leaming and direct feedback from coaches and assessors.

- Ease to Implement by the Field and Training Department: Medium. Developing high-quality, realistic simulations that accurately reflect real-world scenarios can be challenging and resource intensive.
- Cost: Medium to High. The creation of detailed simulations, especially if bespoke development is required, can be a more costly option, considering both the technology and expertise needed. However, costs depend on the complexity of the simulation and the expected outcomes.
- Time Required for Participants to Complete: Medium to High, While simulations themselves may not be overly long, the need for debriefs, assessments, and potential repetition for mastery can extend the time needed to complete the training.

#### Option 3

#### Leverage technology for personalized learning

Research and deploy an adaptive learning platform to incorporate microleaming and mobile learning strategies. This approach creates a personalized learning approach that fallors the educational journey to sales managers' progress, strengths, and areas for improvement. This technology assesses participants' performance in real-time, allowing for the curriculum to adapt by providing additional resources or revisiting certain topics, while also breaking down content into manageable, cligestible modules. This strategy not only ensures a personalized learning experience but also accommodates the modern learner's need for flexibility and just-in-time learning, making it feasible to integrate training semplessiv into their busy schedules.

- Ease to Implement by the Field and Training Department: High. Implementing adaptive learning platforms involves a significant upfront effort in selecting the right technology, setting up the system, getting IT approval, and creating or adapting content to fit the platform.
- Cost: Medium to High. The cost can vary widely depending on the chosen platform and the extent of customization. However, adaptive platforms typically involve subscription fees and may require additional investment in content development.
- Time Required for Participants to Complete: Low to Medium. The personalized nature of the learning approach means participants can progress at their own pace, potentially reducing the total time to complete the program compared to more riaidly structured options.



# Option 1 Feedback



This comprehensive approach ensures business impact and skill development, enhancing the training brand by making learning actionable and directly relevant to daily work.

- Impact on Driving New Business: Medium.
  - The incorporation of digital engagement tools and real projects directly enhances sales managers' abilities to engage with the healthcare market more effectively, potentially leading to new business opportunities.
- Increase in Selling Capabilities: High.
  - A blended learning program that integrates peer coaching, mentorship, and practical exercises tailored to current challenges in the healthcare sector will significantly enhance selling capabilities by providing hands-on experience and continuous learning opportunities.
- Impact on the Training Department's Brand: High.
  - Adopting a blended learning approach positions the training department as innovative and adaptable, capable of addressing real-world challenges through modern, flexible learning solutions.

# Option 2 Feedback



This innovative training solution not only boosts business impact by preparing sales managers for actual interactions but also elevates the training program's brand and facilitates skill application in daily work.

- Impact on Driving New Business: High.
  - Simulations that mimic real-world leadership and strategic scenarios provide sales managers the opportunity to develop and refine skills in a risk-free environment, directly translating to more effective engagement strategies in the field.
- Increase in Selling Capabilities: High.
  - Experiential learning through simulations offers a practical, immersive experience, enhancing selling capabilities by allowing managers to practice and refine their approaches to complex healthcare market challenges.
- Impact on the Training Department's Brand: Medium.
  - While this innovative approach demonstrates a commitment to practical, hands-on learning, its impact on the training department's brand will depend on the quality and relevance of the simulations to the current market dynamics.

# Option 3 Feedback



This hands-on approach not only aligns closely with organizational objectives, thereby maximizing business impact, but also significantly boosts the training program's practicality and reputation, ensuring skills are honed directly through daily work activities.

- Impact on Driving New Business: Medium.
  - Personalized learning can improve individual performance by focusing on areas of improvement and strengths, but its direct impact on driving new business might be less immediate compared to more practice-oriented approaches.
- Increase in Selling Capabilities: High.
  - Tailoring the educational journey to each participant's needs ensures that all managers develop the necessary skills at their own pace, which is crucial for enhancing overall selling capabilities.
- Impact on the Training Department's Brand: Medium to High.
  - Deploying innovative adaptive learning platforms demonstrates the training department's commitment to leveraging technology for effective learning, showcasing innovation and a learner-centric approach.

**70**%

Learning that occurs through day-to-day tasks, challenges, and practice within the workplace.

# Organizational Imperatives

Informed by the strategic priorities or essential actions that an organization commits to doing to fulfil a vision and mission

# Human Centered

## Business Outcomes

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Informed by tangible desired business results or impact of business activities

20%

Learning from others including coaching, mentoring, collaborative tasks, and feedback from peers or SMEs.

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Structured learning events such as training sessions, coursework, workshops, and seminars.

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