## **Presence and Presentation Skills**– Impact Metrics

out of 5

### Overall workshop rating

The concepts introduced in the workshop were presented clearly, and I was encouraged to engage.

(5 = Strongly Agree, 1 = Strongly Disagree)

### ImprovEdge Program Components:

- ✓ Virtual kick-off and follow-up workshop
- 2-day In-Person Presentation Skills workshop
- ✓ Personal coaching session for each participant
- ✓ Participant Pre- and Post-Assessments

### **Objectives:**

- (1) Learn and practice key presentation skills
- (2) Practice key techniques of storytelling while delivering succinct messages
- (3) Explore tools for better preparation, adapting to their audience, and managing stress

Pre- to Post-Assessment Comparisons Participants were asked to provide ratings between the November-December experiences with ImprovEdge.

Following our workshop series, the self-reflection questions where the greatest improvements occurred:

+ 26%

I am confident in my ability to engage others with storytelling.

+ 22%

I have strategies to prepare for and deliver impactful presentations.

+ 17%

I have techniques to communicate with purpose (across in-person and virtual connections).

+ 13%

I have techniques to adapt my presentation to

+ 9%

Additional Applications

audience needs.

I implement stress management skills such as open-ended questions and the power of the pause.



The art of introduction, setting an objective for a conversation / presentation for the purpose of engaging the audience.

Keep your intro brief but capture the attention of the audience

Learn how to most effectively convey my message to stakeholders who don't have the same domain of knowledge

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# Presentation Skills

Don't let the slides take center stage. Slides should be supporting but not domineering.

Not the slide is the center of the presentation, I am

Use slides as helpful tools to keep audience grounded and not to confuse them with overwhelming text

hook, less slides, get feedback from peers during prep process (allow time for this)



# **Participant Takeaways**

I will use a number of the skills but most importantly I will prepare physically before a presentation.

Body language is proportionally most important as people are forming opinions of you, followed by tone and the actual words you choose. Non-verbals are incredibly important in helping others understand you and feel engaged in what you are saying.

