



Areas of Expertise

Executive Coaching
Leadership Coaching
Team Coaching
Personality & Style Assessment
Emotional Intelligence
Crucial Conversations
Cultural Assessment & Change
Strategic Planning & Futuring
New Leader Transition Acceleration
Cognitive-Behavioral Change
Positive Psychology

Certifications

CCL 360-degree Feedback Suite
Leadership Architect Suite
Myers Briggs Type Indicator
Team Management Profile
Hogan Leadership Suite of Assessments
Leadership Circle 360 Inventory
FourSight Thinking Styles Assessment
CPI 260 and Tilt 365
Franklin Covey First Things First & 7
Habits for Highly Effective People
VitalSmart's Crucial Conversations:
Tools for Talking When the Stakes
Get High
HeartMath Certified Coach
Enneagram

Debra Loftus, Ph.D.

Debra Loftus, Ph.D. improves the leadership of today's organizations so they can better meet the challenges of tomorrow. Her unique appeal as a leadership coach comes from three distinct aspects of her expertise: the analytical mind of a behavioral scientist, the pragmatic wisdom of a seasoned business executive, and the insightfulness of a trusted counselor.

For over 15 years, her company Liminal Solutions has delivered custom solutions on a wide range of topics including: executive transition acceleration, team effectiveness, and strategic planning and futuring for organizations. She has been a sought-after advisor to many C-suite and senior leaders, as well as provided innovative leadership development, to a variety of Fortune 100 corporations including Boeing, United Airlines, and Exelon. With her extensive health care industry experience, Debra has brought fresh yet relevant insights to companies as diverse as Cardinal Health, the Blue Cross Blue Shield Association, Takeda Pharmaceuticals and Astellas Pharmaceuticals. She has also provided perspective to the leadership of a number of non-profit organizations including the MacArthur Foundation, Ascension Health and the Illinois Institute of Technology.

Debra bases her practical knowledge on her years of corporate experience. Before starting her own consulting practice, she spent over 10 years as an internal leadership effectiveness consultant and senior human resources leader for companies including: Baxter Healthcare, Alliant Foodservice and W.W. Grainger. She then expanded her business insights by starting her own company, Liminal Solutions, which is dedicated to improving leadership effectiveness and organizational performance.

Her expertise is informed by her continual exploration of leadership effectiveness and organizational psychology trends and research. As a licensed psychologist, she brings a plethora of assessment tools to apply to her clients' challenges.

Debra is deeply experienced in the field of psychology, having completed a doctoral internship in the Harvard University School of Medicine. She earned doctorate and master's degrees in clinical/personality psychology from Northwestern University and graduated magna cum laude from Wittenberg University. Her most recent academic career includes over 7 years of teaching graduate school-level classes on the Foundations of Leadership at Northwestern University.