Alchemy Case Study

Brewing Frontline Safety & Productivity

Challenge

• Inconsistent communications
• Inefficient record keeping
• Validating behavior change

Solution

• Integrated training platform
• Automated record keeping
• Tablet-based employee coaching tool

Result

• **30% reduction** in safety incidents
• Increased frontline proficiency
• Audit preparedness 24/7

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About Keurig Dr Pepper

Keurig Dr Pepper is a leading producer and distributor of hot and cold beverages. The company has a portfolio of more than 125 owned, licensed, and partner brands. Its Green Mountain unit alone, across its multiple locations, employs nearly 6,000 workers.

The Challenge

The company’s popular system has driven the phenomenal growth of the company. In order to maintain its world-class standards, the company recognized the need to streamline and standardize training and communications across its facilities. The fast growth had resulted in training content and instructional variability.

This led to inconsistent communication and uneven proficiency among employees.

Rhonda Sparks, Keurig Dr Pepper’s continuous learning business partner explained, “We had trainers who each had their own way of training.”

The company was using a manual, labor-intensive process for managing the high volume of employee records. As the company continued to grow, the old system made it laborious to provide real-time records that met audit requirements.

Finally, validating behavior change on the floor was challenging. “When you have over 1,000 employees in a facility and just one of those employees is non-compliant, it means your whole facility is non-compliant,” says Sparks. Keurig Dr Pepper needed a closed-loop system that enabled supervisors to quickly facilitate employee observations and corrective actions, while promoting positive reinforcement.

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The Solution

Keurig Dr Pepper turned to Alchemy for a comprehensive solution. Over three million workers at 50,000 locations use Alchemy’s training, coaching, and reinforcement solutions to reduce workplace injuries, safeguard food, and improve operations.

Keurig Dr Pepper used Alchemy’s group based learning platform to keep employees engaged during classroom training sessions. The platform uses hand-held remotes to test comprehension and creates an interactive learning experience. Maintenance Trainer Miller explains, “You have to pay attention. If you don’t answer the question correctly it gives you the chance to review the material, and it asks you again in a different way.”

Alchemy provided a full library of professionally developed courses that meet the unique needs of frontline food workers. Each course is available in multiple languages and depicts realistic food industry settings.

In addition, Keurig Dr Pepper was able to create their own company-specific courses with Alchemy Creator, further aligning employees with corporate initiatives. “Alchemy helps us deliver a consistent message,” said Jason Roach, training coordinator at Keurig Dr Pepper.

The Result

Keurig Dr Pepper developed a robust program using Alchemy’s closed-loop approach and began to see positive results soon after implementation. “I don’t know how we would manage without Alchemy,” says Roach. “It combines the training aspect, the reporting aspect, and also the coaching aspect.”

Consistency in communications and quality of training has increased significantly across all Keurig Dr Pepper operations. Employees now have a better understanding of their impact on operational efficiencies and safety procedures that influence Keurig Dr Pepper’s continued success. “Alchemy gets our employees to proficiency quicker and assures each employee is at the same level,” says Sparks.

In addition, Alchemy’s automated record keeping and documentation features helped Keurig Dr Pepper to easily maintain thousands of employee records, providing 24/7 audit compliance. “Auditors are amazed at how easy it is for us to pull a report. I can’t even imagine how preparing for an audit was done before Alchemy,” Sparks says.

Alchemy also helped close the loop between training and on-the-job behavior. “Everybody understands the ‘why’ behind what we do. And we saw a 30% reduction in safety incidents after implementing the coaching program with Alchemy,” says Roach.

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