





### **OUR FOCUS TODAY**



Global Benefits



Aimed at US based HR Professionals



Designed for 'expanding' multinational businesses, right from those with their first overseas employee through to firms with multiple overseas offices.



#### CROSSING BORDERS: THE COMPLICATED WORLD WE ALL LIVE IN

- Tax / Accounting
- HR Policies
- Payroll
- Pay
- Benefits
- Business Protection (Property & Casualty)

You may not have the internal resource to tackle all of these issues.

Remember: You don't know what you don't know

# Could Harry and Meghan's child pay US taxes?

By Zoe Thomas BBC Business reporter, New York

① 14 April 2019















An employer organised 'perk'.

**Supplemental Retirement** 

Supplemental Health & Welfare

'Mandated' employer sponsored benefits (could be either of the above) Alternative Comp: Meal vouchers etc.

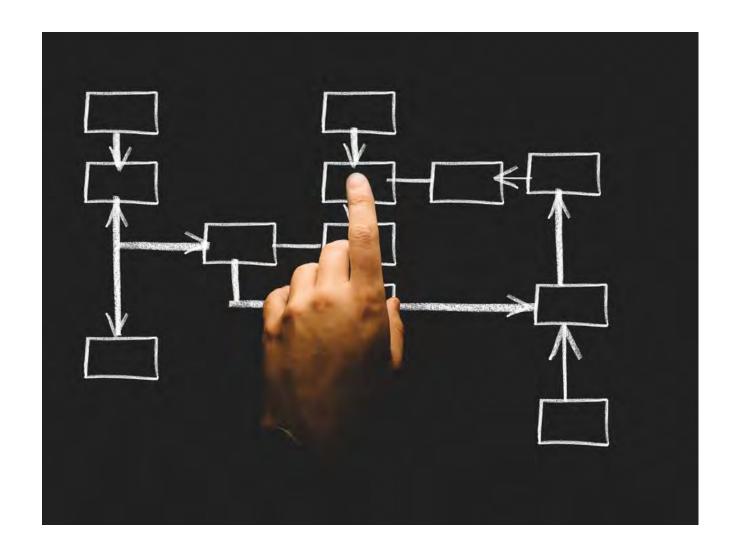


Employee Benefits should not be confused with Mandatory Benefits in overseas territories.

#### **GLOBAL BENEFITS: WHAT ARE THEY?**

# BUILDING YOUR STRATEGY

- ASSIGNEES
- SEEING DOWN THE ROAD
- CULTURE
- LOGISTICS



# ASSIGNEES: SENDING EMPLOYEES OVERSEAS



Length of assignment



Domestic benefits drop off



Protecting them & the business



#### PROTECTING TRAVELLERS

# SEEING DOWN THE ROAD

- Business Objectives
- Size
- Demographic of employees
- Budget
- Management of your strategy and evolution

# PRINCIPLES OF A STRATEGY









COMPLIANCE ( E.G. LABOUR AGREEMENTS)

COMPETITIVENESS (BENCHMARKING)

**FINANCIAL** 

**CULTURAL VALUES** 



# PRAGMATISM

Is a key part of expansion, however your goal should always be to aspire to local plans

### LOGISTICS









What does life look like outside of the USA?

Waving goodbye to being a 'big' employer

Entity

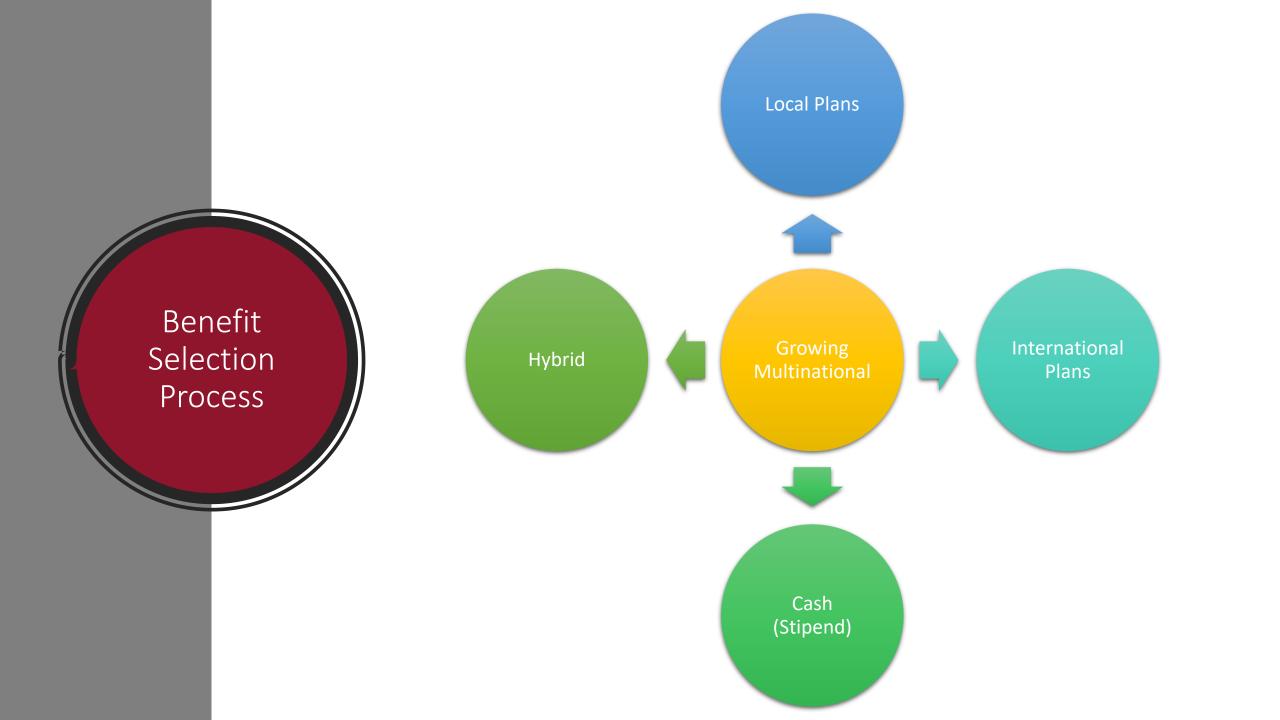
**Bank Account** 







HR Presence / Allocation of Responsibilities Group vs Individual Admin time



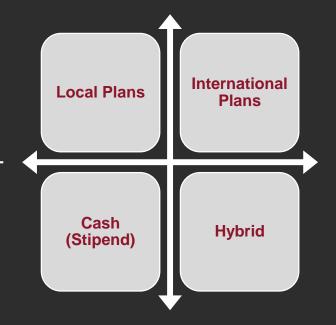
### QUESTIONS TO ASK

#### **Overarching Strategy**

- Is it compliant?
- Are we satisfied with the cost? (Does that cost have any adverse effect on our employees?)
- Is it competitive in our field?
- Does it jive with our culture?

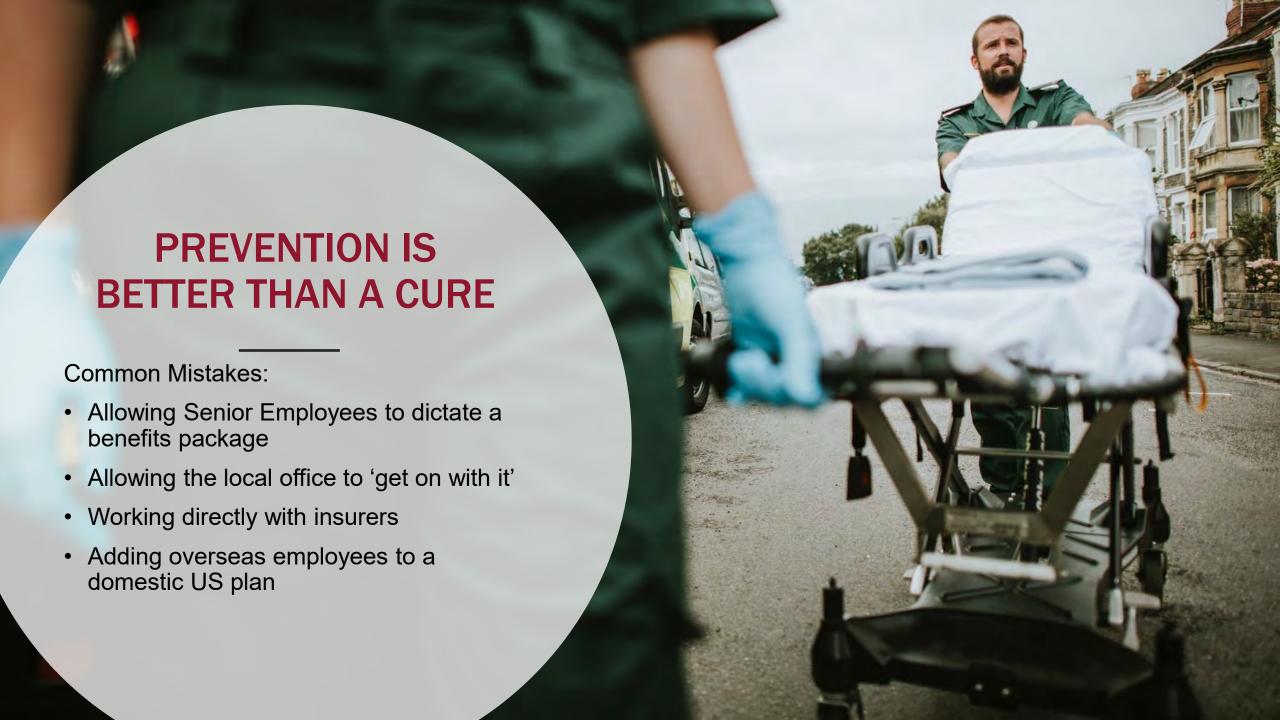
#### Logistics

- Do we have the infrastructure to support the benefits we'd like?
- Do we have the resources to manage the renewal schedule?





**RESPONSIBILITY: WHO CARRIES THE CAN?** 



### THINK GLOBAL, ACT LOCAL



UNDERSTAND your benefits Reviewing your plans should be a
continuous cycle, not a reactive
exercise. This includes appreciating
what MUST be done locally versus the
overarching goal of your strategy



**DEFINE** your global benefits strategy and the culture of your business. Communicate it clearly and look to involve relevant stakeholders within your business (e.g. CFOs, HRBPs).



**ESTABLISH** a structure to manage your benefits — Clearly define roles and responsibilities with both external and internal resources. A decision making process should be clear to all involved.



**EVOLVE** — Remember your strategy should be flexible; constantly improving. Developing your strategy is a sign of being pro-active.







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