[In developing this assignment, you should follow APA form and style protocols. Your assignment should be between 1000 – 1500 words. Fill in your name below. *Erase these instructions and any instructions in brackets below before submitting your assignment*.]

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[Under this title, offer a brief introduction to the topic of your paper and present a thesis or purpose statement for your assignment at the end of your introduction. Please note the title of our paper should not be in bold. See the examples on page 42 and 54 of the APA manual. Also, note the following comment from the APA manual. “The introduction to a manuscript does not carry a heading that labels it as the introduction. (The first part of a manuscript is assumed to be the introduction)” (p. 63). You can see an illustration of an introduction to a paper being presented without a heading in the sample paper on page 42 of the manual.]

# Describe a Problem in Your Field of Professional Practice

[For this assignment, imagine that you have been approached by your supervisor and asked to develop research-based solutions to the professional practice problem you identified in your second assignment. Your supervisor requests that you submit your report to her and, at a later time, you will make a presentation to the entire staff and lead a strategy session about how to implement the solutions you have uncovered. The research-based solutions that you identify should be realistic, practical, and grounded in the research that you have reviewed on the problem.

In this first section of your assignment, offer a more extensive description of the problem in your field of professional practice that you began to describe in the Examining Research-Based Solutions assignment. In this more extensive description, you should cover the following points:

* Explain why the problem is detrimental to your professional practice.
* Explain how widespread the problem is, how many people it affects in your organization, and whether or not similar problems are found in similar organizations.
* Describe factors that contribute to cause and maintenance the problem, such as organizational policies, a lack of staff training, insufficient funds and so on.
* If there have been previous attempts to resolve the problem, you should offer a brief description of those as well as the degree of success in resolving the problem that was achieved.]

# Examination of Relevant Research Reports

[Use the Capella Library to locate eight additional research reports associated with the problem section. In choosing these articles, apply the insight you have gained into transferability issues and choose articles describing research projects that you believe would have a high level of transferability into your place of professional practice. Including the two research reports you located for the last assignment. You should have a minimum of 10 research reports and journal articles in all. Be sure all 10 are research reports and journal articles from peer-reviewed journals located in the Capella Library.

Look for patterns and trends that you see running through the research projects. In particular, look for common themes among the research findings that are offered in these research reports. In addition to similarities or common themes, look for differences between the research findings and conclusions. Explain why differences in research findings are important. Discuss each theme in detail, using in-text citations so that your readers understand which of these 10 research reports you are drawing information and insight from during your discussion.

It would be best to use Level 2 headings to identify each theme. See page 62 of the APA manual for appropriate guidance on formatting the various levels of APA headings. In addition, you can look at the template provided for your second assignment to see examples of properly format Level 2 headings. This should be a very extensive section of your assignment, about 300 to 400 words or more in length.]

# Research-Based Solutions for Your Problem

[Based on your analysis of the 10 research articles as well as your understanding of the transferability of the research findings they contain, develop descriptions of research-based solutions to the problem that you plan to present to your supervisor. Present these in the order of effectiveness, according to the best of your understanding. Use a Level 2 heading for each one. If you have any concerns about the transferability of the research findings associated with a particular solution, be sure to mention these.]

# Conclusion

[Briefly summarize the key principles associated with finding and applying research-based solutions for professional practice that you have come to understand by completing this course. Be sure to fill out the reference section on the next page.]

# References