



# TERRY HEALEY

SPEAKER AND AUTHOR



Terry Healey is a cancer survivor who endured over thirty surgical procedures in an effort to reconstruct his face, which was disfigured by a fibrosarcoma when he was only a junior at UC Berkeley. Through a long and arduous process, Terry realized that the scars on the inside had become far more disfiguring than the scars on the outside ever were.

Today, at the age of 42, twenty years after becoming disfigured, Terry is a professional speaker, author, businessman, member of the Leadership Council of The Wellness Community (SF-East Bay), and honorary board member of The Cancer League, Inc. Terry is President of Ridgeview Consulting, a firm that provides strategic marketing and sales program development consulting services for high technology companies, including Cisco Systems, Inc. Prior to consulting, Terry was the VP of Marketing for two high technology companies that both went public.

His popular program, *Navigating Life's Road Blocks: Attitude, Focus, and Teamwork*, is presented to companies and groups nationwide. He is the author of *At Face Value: My Triumph Over A Disfiguring Cancer*, released by Caveat Press in January 2006, and is a contributing author to two other anthologies. He has also been published in *Psychology Today*, *The San Francisco Chronicle*, *Guideposts*, and *Coping Magazine*. Terry has appeared on dozens of national and local TV networks, and has been interviewed on more than 50 radio stations across the U.S. and Canada.

Terry captivates and educates audiences on how to take control of their lives, identify and overcome challenges, build trust and teams, embrace change, and learn the value of tolerance and acceptance. He views the lessons he learned in life as gifts, and believes his greatest reward is being able to teach others how to overcome adversity and celebrate life.

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# **Speaking topics and workshops include:**

## **Navigating Life's Road Blocks: Attitude, Focus, and Teamwork**

Based on his book, *At Face Value*, author Terry Healey takes you through his harrowing personal ordeal and what sustained him and enabled him to focus on the positive aspects of his life that weren't only lessons he learned, but gifts that he could impart to others struggling with their own personal challenges.

## **Turning Points and Survivor Kits**

Through some personal storytelling, Terry conveys the importance of taking note of 'potential' turning points in life and how to ensure that you create your own personal survival kit that will help you with career challenges, personal discovery, or physical challenges that may change the way you interact with others.

## **Dealing With Adversity and Taking Control of Your Life**

Based on Terry's extreme experience with adversity in his own life, Terry shares with us the lessons he learned about how to deal with adversity and how being focused and taking control of your life are the keys to making those difficulties not only tolerable but also valuable in our personal growth and development. Terry encourages the audience to confront things head on and to embrace, rather than fear our world that is constantly changing.

## **Embracing Our Differences**

Terry focuses this interactive presentation on how truly different each and every one of us is, and demonstrates how we frequently make judgments of people that are oftentimes incorrect. Participants will walk away with a better appreciation for why we need to embrace diversity and strive to be more tolerant.

## **Client testimonials:**

"Terry's presentation at our sales meeting really reinforced our key messages to kick off our fiscal year with a big bang! Terry's enthusiasm and storytelling drove home how each of us can better take control of our work and our personal lives to be the most productive and successful we can be – and how we can work as a more cohesive team internally and with our partners to scale our success."

*Ken Constantino, Sales Director, US Commercial East, May 23, 2006*



"Terry was the motivational speaker at our first-ever Leadership Kickoff Meeting. His personal story of strength and courage was very well received by our management team, especially after some intense business planning sessions. He is an excellent speaker and presenter, and his message of overcoming obstacles and taking risks was particularly inspiring and appropriate for our group. We are looking forward to having him return to speak at future events for our Health System."

*Paige Nebeker, Director of Marketing and Media Relations, Tahoe Forest Health System, September 19, 2006*



"Terry's story was not just an inspirational one, but his business experience and background enabled him to tune his talk to the issues that our sales and marketing organization deals with every day - staying focused, building teams and trust, accepting change, and confronting life's daily challenges."

*Patrick Shea, Vice President, Marketing & Sales, Oncology Business Unit, Ligand Pharmaceuticals, January 20, 2005*



"Not only did you meet our expectations, but I have to tell you that your story and the lessons I learned from it meant a great deal to me personally. Thank you for your willingness to share your experience and to inspire all of us. You're an exceptional guy and a hell of a speaker."

*Bruce Morrow, President, M2 Creative Meeting Management (Hired as Speaker for M2 Client Ligand Pharmaceuticals), January 20, 2005*



"Your story hit home with everybody. You are an inspiration to us all."

*Bruce Klein, V.P., Federal Sales Organization, Cisco Systems, Inc., January 6, 2005*



"Terry was the final presenter at our meeting after a full day of business updates. Right off the bat, Terry was able to re-energize the room and remind all of us how important it is to take control of our lives and make each day fulfilling. His storytelling and presentation style really brought to life how each of us needs to be present, aware and alert, and the messages and lessons shared were appropriate for everyone. On a scale of 1-5, Terry's evaluation came in at 4.8, and the positive comments and enthusiasm expressed after the meeting by attendees really helped to prove how motivating his presentation was."

*Luanne Tierney, Senior Director, Cisco Systems, Inc., December 1, 2004*



"Terry kicked off our marketing meeting and charged the room with tremendous enthusiasm and inspiration. His storytelling and positive attitude helped all of us to get a fresh perspective, and to leave our meeting focused on how to take control and face life's challenges. Terry's spirit energized us, his humor was memorable, and he moved and touched all of us, setting the tone for a very positive and productive meeting."

*Laura Fay, Senior Director, Cisco Systems, Inc., July 20, 2004*



"I am proud to recommend Terry Healey as a motivational and inspirational speaker to any organization. Terry overcame tremendous adversity as a young man and has since emerged confident, strong, compassionate and well spoken. I can't say enough about his shining spirit and unbelievable enthusiasm. When his presentation concluded, he set the tone for one of our best meetings ever! His talk was uplifting and inspired so many of my Managers. They took stock in their own lives and re-evaluated what's really important in life."

*Steve Harden, VP, General Sales Manager, Southern Wine & Spirits of Northern Calif., May 22, 2002*



"Your presentation was extremely well received, and the information given was outstanding. With speakers like you, we are able to present quality programs to our healthcare professionals who provide patient care. I thought I'd share with you some of the comments by our 500 attendees:

"Wow! Inspiring!"

"Awesome!"

"Wonderful and uplifting"

"Very impressive and gave a human touch to clinical cases-a real success!"

Have him back next year!"

*Paul Bernstein, M.D., F.A.C.S., Kaiser Permanente &  
Chairman, Head and Neck Division, American Cancer  
Society, February 14, 2003*



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"Your presentation was an uplifting highlight for all of our patients, caregivers and healthcare professionals. Our review of our participants' responses showed that your presentation scored the highest level of all of our presenters."

*John R. Saunders, Jr., M.D., Medical Director, Greater Baltimore Medical Center, October 24, 2003*



"I found your story to be both inspirational and motivational. Immediately following your talk, I received numerous unsolicited songs of praise for your session. Thank you Terry, once again, for an excellent program."

*Lars Ho-Tseung, President, Northern California Label Manufacturer's Association, June 21, 2003*



"This is a lovely man and a forceful, compassionate speaker. I recommend him wholeheartedly."

*Whitney Burnett, Executive Director, National Foundation for Facial Reconstruction, May 2, 2003*



"Thank you so much for your amazing presentation. You really moved the audience and touched every individual in the room. Terry will impress you and leave you touched and inspired."

*Lindsay Florin, Stanford University, Camp Kesem Coordinator, April 13, 2003*

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"A great presentation. It was both stimulating and of practical value for our group."

*M. Anthony Pogrel, D.D.S., M.D., F.R.C.S., Professor and Chairman Dept. of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, University of California San Francisco (UCSF), April 9, 2002*



"That Terry Healey be heard is critical. His presentation, "At Face Value", is compelling for all health care workers and inspiring for all patients."

*Eden Rivera, R.N., B.S.N., Assistant Patient Care Manager, 14 Long, University of California San Francisco (UCSF), January 23, 2002*



"Your presentation was entertaining, enlightening and informative. You addressed the issues of acceptance, tolerance, growth and healing. You brought a sense of optimism and hope not only to others affected with cancer, but to all people. Thank you for sharing your story with the UCSF community."

*Jenny Broberg, Univ. of Calif. San Francisco (UCSF, Public Affairs), October 17, 2002*



"From the way some of the students responded, it was clear that they had been challenged to reconsider both how they view and judge other people and how they may be called upon to face the unexpected, perhaps even a crisis, in their own lives at some future time. You established a good rapport with the classes, because you spoke so honestly about yourself and your experiences. Students of this age are curious about what the future holds for them, and so your own directness, even acceptance of the extraordinary difficulties you faced was impressive to them."

*Charlie Noland, Dept. of Religious Studies, De La Salle High School, Concord, CA, May 2, 2002*



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