Learn how to cultivate networked improvement communities (NIC), a specific type of learning community whose purpose is to better implement improvement science. We will explore how such communities improve the pace, scope, and capacity for learning. In particular, we will focus on cultural elements that such NIC share across sectors (be that medicine, technology, or education) such as their capacity to encourage vulnerability, sharing, transparency, and create a shared purpose and vision among its team. With this in mind we will also focus some of our attention and readings on how “the hive mind” works - that is how communities of thinkers can be brought together for the purpose of innovation and diffusion of ideas, drawing on some of the most recent scholarship in the field (drawing on sociology, psychology, and educational researchers among others) to learn how humans can better work, think, and collaborate together to solve today's most wicked problems.

Have you always wondered:

• Why some orgs are places people love to work and think of as family, while others are abusive spaces we can’t wait to leave?
• How you can better implement improvement science in your own educational and institutional spaces?
• How to cultivate cultures that facilitate group thinking?

Join us for this new educational adventure, designed with input from such improvement science specialists as Drs. Hal Lawson, Kristen Wilcox, and Dean Jason Lane.