Oct 2019 CCN Mtg: THE STATE OF ENTREPRENEURS IN THE PHILADELPHIA AREA

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DATE & TIME: Wednesday, Oct. 16th at The Cynwyd Club, Bala Cynwyd, PA

Networking, 5:30 PM; Dinner, 6:30 PM; Talk and Business Session, 7:30 PM

AGENDA

- INTRODUCTION
- OVERVIEW / EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
- PLANNING FOR SUCCESS AS A STARTUP
- **FUNDING**
- \$ PLANNING FOR STRATEGIC EXITS
- ? OPEN FORUM / FAQ

OVERVIEW & INTRO



We are all Entrepreneurs.
General discussion & current trends overview



Entrepreneurial Education & Workforce Development



Locally based trends and insights



Strategy

Startup success stories

What to look out for

Adapting to evolving technology & importance of developing an adaptable workforce

Developing a strategic business plan

Building the best team (internally & externally)

PLANNING FOR SUCCESS AS A STARTUP

FUNDING

 $\overline{\mathrm{OPM}}$

SBA

PIDC (not to be confused with the chemical company)

Incubators

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m VC}$ / $\overline{
m Private\ Equity}$

Crowd Funding?

Other opportunities for funding a venture

PLANNING THE EXIT

Current and emerging trends

Exit strategies – successful & not so successful events

Workforce retention and succession planning

Maximization of value

- · Financial reporting
- Tax strategies

Improving profitability with R&D incentives

The importance of forecasting

Tax considerations to increase return on sale



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