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# Adopting Lean for Your Project: Using the LCI Lean Deployment Planning Guide

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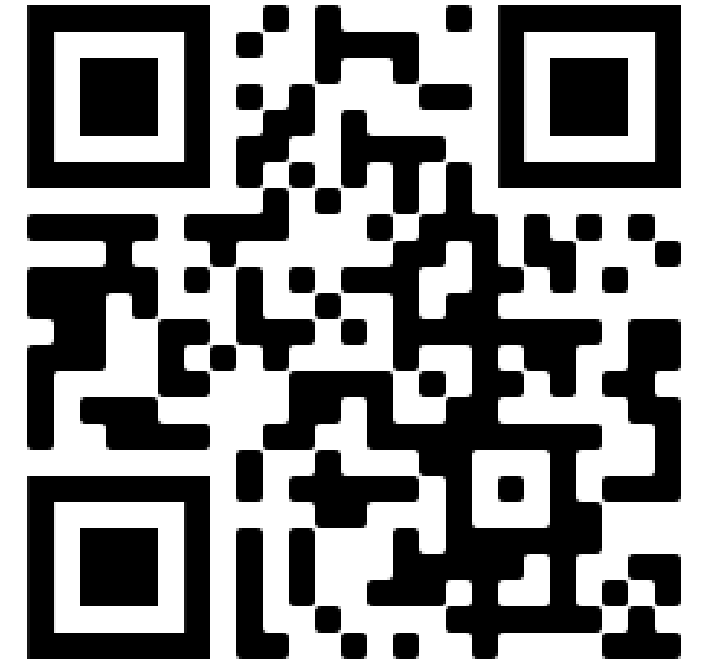
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# Course Description

The hand-on workshop will integrate learning with practical application working sessions for identifying and planning lean methods. Learning will commence with an explanation of the Lean Development Planning Guide and resources that support the steps of the planning process for a project including: initiate, select, plan and integrate. Participants will gain an understanding of each resource included in the guide and how it may be implemented during the planning process. A case study where the Lean Deployment Guide was used by the project team to develop method-specific A3s for implementation will be shared. During the facilitated working sessions, participants will experience developing a Lean deployment plan for a simulation project, using the guide resources to select project methods, create a method-specific A3 plan and begin to integrate methods into the project dashboard for tracking and management.



# Learning Objectives



Participants will be able to define essential steps for developing a project-specific Lean deployment planning process.



Participants will be able to identify and use the resources in the guide that support each of the steps of the process.



Participants will gain insights from a case study project team with successful outputs.



Participants will use the guide resources to create a method-specific A3 plan for a simulated project.

# Rules of Engagement



This is a safe zone



Use E.L.M.O.



Everyone has equal status



Silence phones



Speak up and share your ideas



Be focused and engaged



Actively listen to others



Stay on time



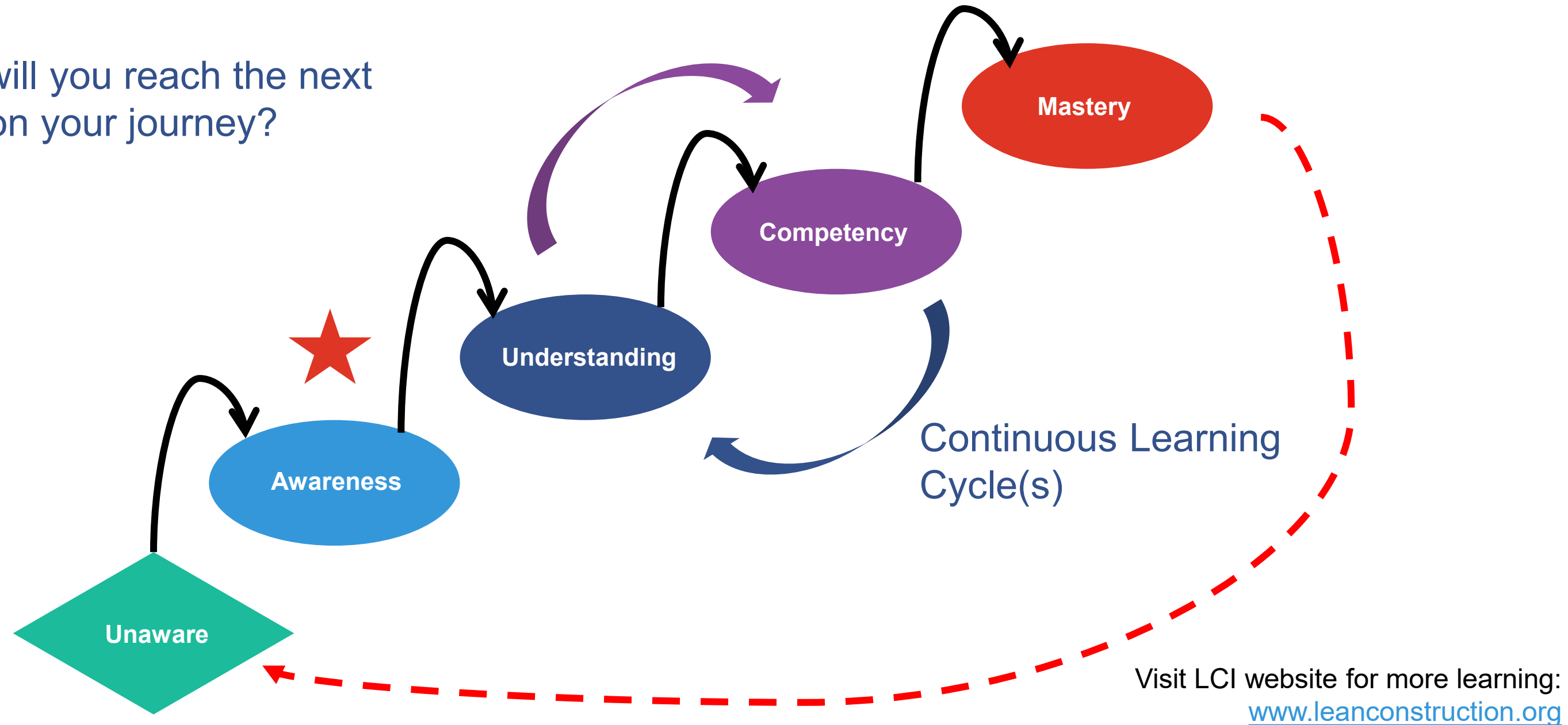
One conversation at a time



Have fun!

# Lean Journey to Mastery

How will you reach the next level on your journey?



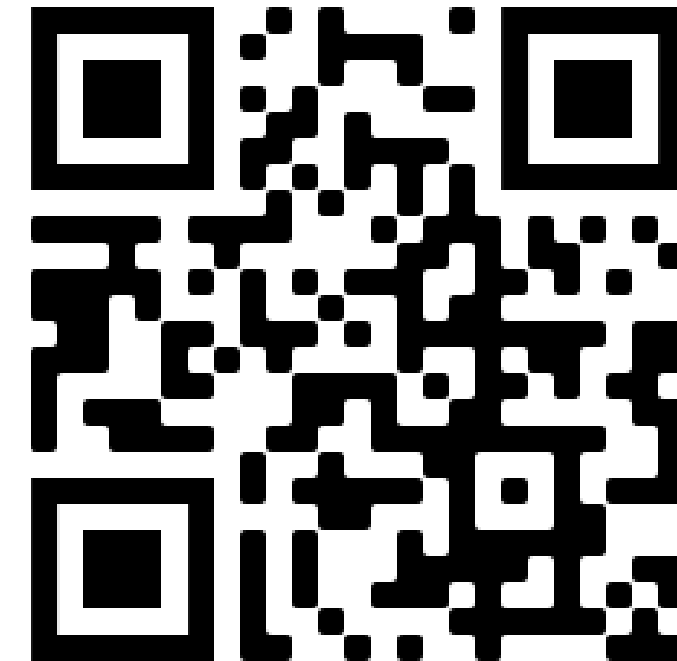
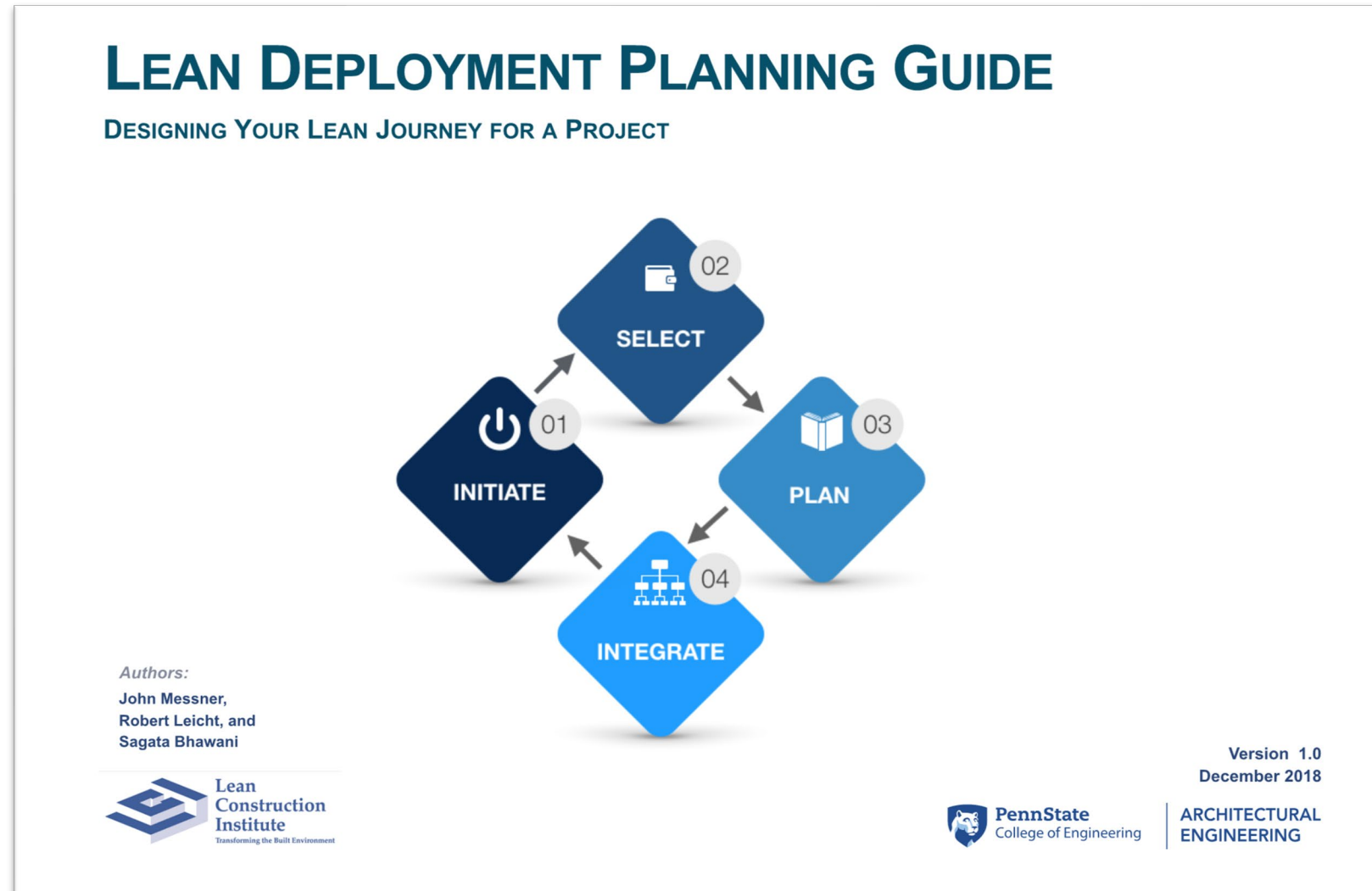
# Six Tenets of Lean

- 1 Respect for people
- 2 Optimize the Whole
- 3 Generate Value
- 4 Eliminate Waste
- 5 Focus on Flow
- 6 Continuous Improvement





# Lean Deployment Planning Guide



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# Why develop a Deployment Plan?

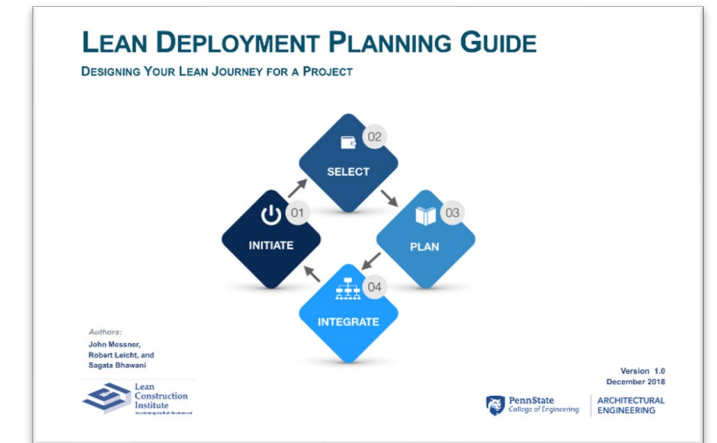
- Project teams need a 'place to start'
- Provides a basis for project's lean operating system
- Helps owners know what / how to ask for lean implementation on their projects
- Provides structured process for identifying & planning lean implementation - define 'why', then 'how'
- Allows for standardizing a project baseline
- Training and coaching can be better targeted to support a project's specific lean deployment plan



# Lean Deployment Planning Guide Overview



# Lean Deployment Planning Steps



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# Step 1: Initiate the Lean Deployment Planning Process

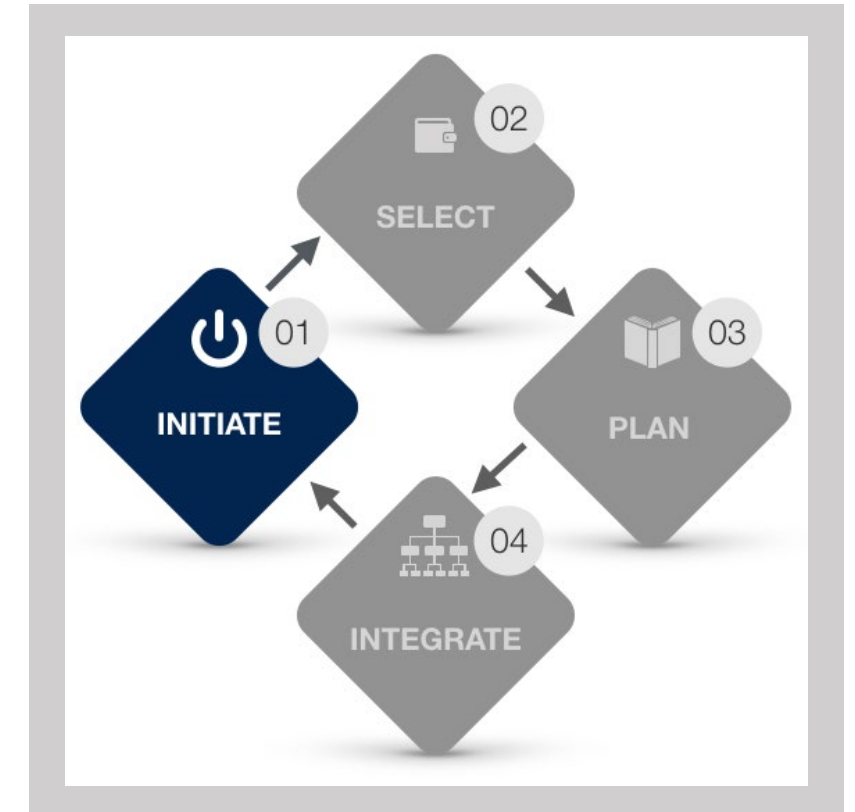
Identify lean coach and champions

Conduct lean training

Schedule a lean deployment kick-off session

Develop meeting agenda and presentation

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## Step 2: Select Lean Methods

Review lean methods

Evaluate methods

Select methods



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# Defining the Lean Methods

## Organization Methods - Definitions

### Team Organization

#### Onboarding

Activities conducted strategically to quickly get everyone on the same page regardless of when they join the project team. Example: orientations, trainings, team building exercises, etc.

#### Work Clusters

Multifunctional work groups created within the project team to pursue complex decision-making and problem-solving by putting in use the different experience and skills of every member.

### Problem-solving

#### A3 thinking (PDCA)

Documentation approach for problem-solving and reporting on project-related critical decisions using the Plan - Do - Check - Adjust. (PDCA) method for continuous improvement.

### Decision-making

#### Choosing by Advantages

A multi-criteria decision-making method developed by for determining the best decision by quantifying the advantages of each option.

### Continuous Improvement

#### Quality Circles

A participatory management technique that engages workers directly in identifying and solving problems that span different steps in the design or production process.

### Additional Techniques used in Lean Implementation:

#### 5 WHY Analysis

Problem solving technique to determine root cause by diving deeper into the "why" five times.

#### Ohno Circles

Figuratively refers to a portion of the workplace identified to be observed and analyzed for an uninterrupted period of time to look for inefficiencies.

#### PICK Chart

An ease/impact chart that segregates ideas into possible, implement, challenge, and kill categories.

#### Spaghetti Diagramming

A map that shows current layout of operations and path taken by people, product, or the service as it moves through the process.

#### Gemba Walk

Means "Going to the work" or walking the job site where the actual work is done to identify waste elimination opportunities.

## Organization Method

### Onboarding



Onboarding provides a way for team members to reach common levels of learning as new team members are added to a project. Onboarding allows for the new team members to be immersed in the project organization, understand the unique processes and expectations of this project, to be trained, and to gain access to project specific resources. Onboarding ensures that the team's cultural, behavioral, and procedural environments are not disrupted.

Construction is a project-based industry where adoption of lean can be challenging because each project brings together team members with a vast array of experience, abilities, and knowledge, each with a different level of

awareness or experience with lean principles. Onboarding presents an opportunity to align these experiences and knowledge at the beginning of each person's experience with this project.



#### Benefits:

- Helps create high-performing teams
- Reduces potential process breakdowns
- Helps develop leadership skills



#### Success / Progress Metrics:

- All project leaders have led a session
- % of team members that attended
- Plus/Deltas from onboarding sessions
- Post-session 'quiz' results



#### Suggested Resources:

- Lean Simulations
- Project Lean Deployment Plan
- Training space
- Book: *Don't Conform, Transform* - chapter on Onboarding



#### Potential Education needs:

- Who will lead onboarding sessions?
- What project's onboarding do they need further training to teach?
- Who needs training to facilitate lean simulations?



#### Task Breakdown Planning Questions:

- Which specific methods do you want to share with all new project team members?
- Which lean simulations should be used?
- Which project leaders will be conducting the onboarding session?
- How frequently, or at which events, will onboarding sessions be offered?
- How will onboarding sessions be evaluated and by who?
- What documents and training materials will be used and who will assemble them?
- What lean principles should be taught at onboarding?



#### Communication Planning:

- How will team members be informed of onboarding timelines?
- How will project culture and training from onboarding be reinforced visually throughout the project?



#### Continuous Improvement:

- How will the onboarding process be updated throughout the project?
- How will the effectiveness of sessions be evaluated?
- Who will review the content or audit the sessions for quality and effectiveness?

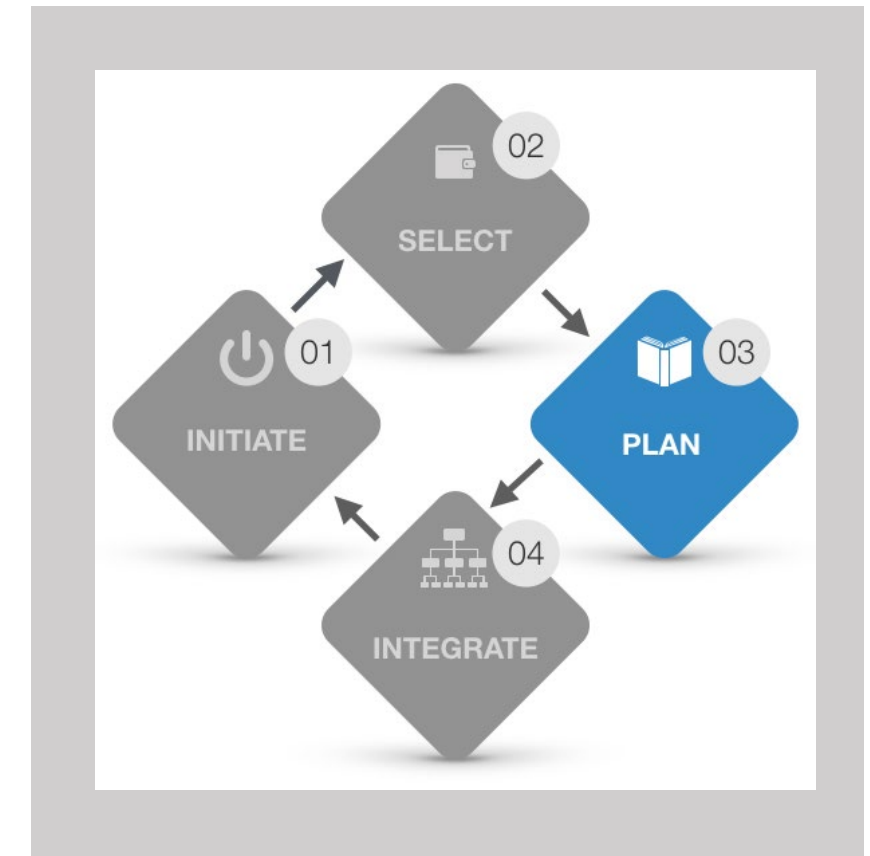
# Step 3: Plan Each Lean Method

Identify the method goal

Identify champion(s) and key participants

Outline the tasks and responsibilities

Define the measures, communication strategy(ies), and continuous improvement opportunities



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# Method Planning A3 Template

Method:

Champion(s):

Project:

Goals:

(Set the project goal(s) this method supports)

Participants:

List the customer(s), both internal to the team and external that are targeted as beneficiaries of this method

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Define the tasks to be performed, the person(s) responsible for ensuring its completion, and the target date

Related Methods:

Please identify other methods the team is pursuing, or should consider, that support or can be enabled as a result of, this method use on the project

Metrics:	Responsible Party:	Frequency:
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Identify the measures that will be used to track and identify challenges and successes, in the implementation of this method.  
• Be sure to capture the party responsible for tracking each  
• Consider the specific times, or frequency, the metrics are captured and shared

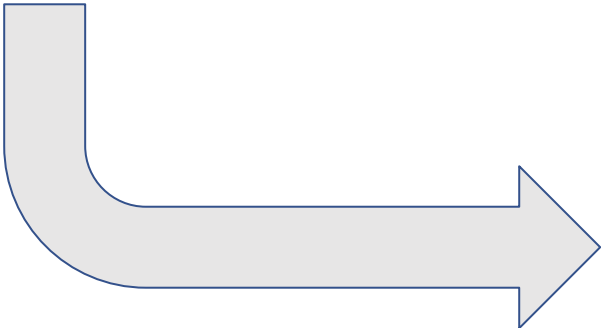
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Please identify how the method and its implementation is communicated to project stakeholders, i.e.,  
• What forms will be used (presentations, posters, posted logs)?  
• How often does it need to be shared? With which audiences?  
• Who is responsible for maintaining and updating it?

Communication	Format	Audience	Responsible Party	Frequency
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Please define the timing and process that will be used to improve the use of this method:  
• Who will review or assess the current implementation?  
• When and how often will the process be assessed?  
• How will targeted improvements be incorporated into future steps?

Continuous Improvement Process	Reviewer	Frequency	Future Steps
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## Example - Onboarding

Method: **Onboarding**

Champion(s): **Andy**

Project/Organization: **Project A**

Goal(s): **Create quality onboarding so everyone understands.**

Participants(s): **All personnel, Owner included.**

**Task Breakdown:**

- Integrate the organization processes with the management processes
- Leadership team defines information for all members. Example: Not IFOA but interdependence of parties
- Define Lean/IPD briefing for safety orientation
- Define communication or visual management strategies
- Train the trainers
- Design assessment/health checks
- Run/track metrics and audits
- Conduct Monthly "Reconnect" or "Lean Learning"

**Related Methods and Strategies:**

Weekly Work Planning

Big Room Planning

Visual Management

Meeting Agendas

**Metric(s):**

- Observed actions
- Reward system
- Health check
- Quiz (2 minute drills)

**Education Plan:**

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- Who will train/give onboarding?
- How frequently will onboarding sessions be offered?
- What are the milestones for updating the training?s

**Communication Plan:**

- Define slides for orientation
- Develop posters for big room
- Rewards at luncheon
- Rewards system board

**Continuous Improvement**

- When do we conduct audits
- How we frequently do we conduct audits/check-ins
- Who will conduct these audits/check-ins?
- How will we rotate responsibilities?

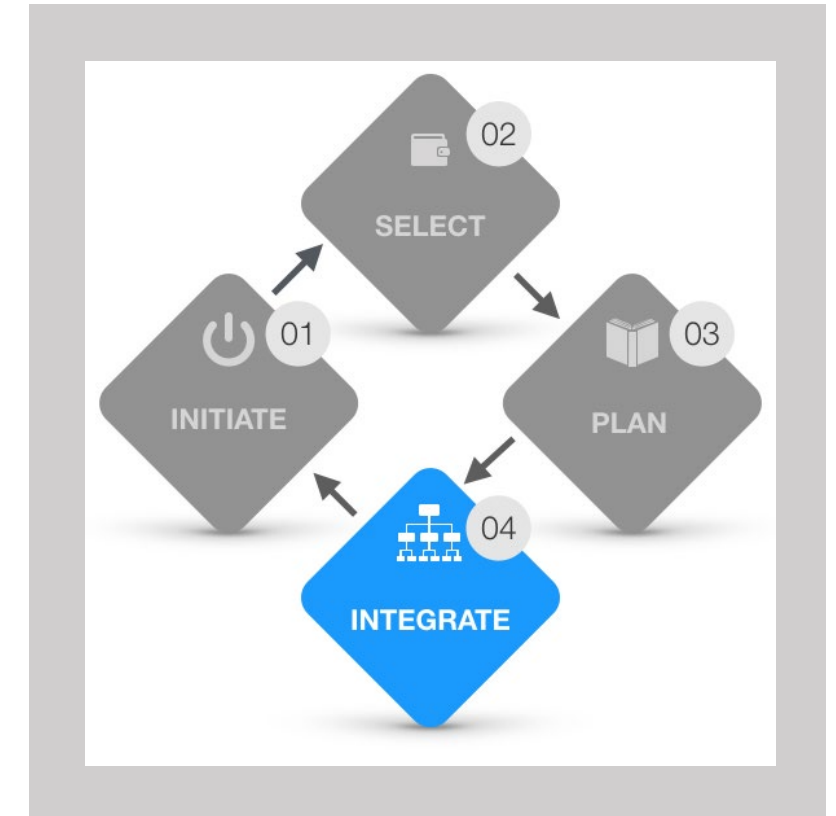
# Step 4: Integrate Methods to Project Plan

Record project conditions of satisfaction and associated methods

Consolidate project measures for tracking alignment to implementation plan

Consolidate all training to be completed on the project

Consolidate all communication strategy(ies), and continuous improvement opportunities



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# Project Summary Dashboard

Project: ABC Recreational Complex Renovation

Project Conditions of Satisfaction
Rapid issue-detection and resolution
Continuous and reliable workflow
High performing project team
Effective , efficient, and timely team communications
High performing building design

Organization Methods	Operating System Methods
Onboarding	Last Planner System
Work Clusters	Target Value Design
Gemba Walk	Big Room Planning
A3 Thinking/Reports	Visual Management

Lean Champion(s): Jane Doe

Lean Implementation Metrics:	Status
All lean methods champions identified within 30 days of lean implementation planning kick-off	
Lean plan completed within 90 days of kick-off	

Education and Training Metrics	Status
New person onboarding completed within 30 days of hire	
All lean champions trained within 30 days of kick-off	
All lean trainings completed within 90 days of kick-off	

Communication Metrics	Status
Project issues identified did not cause project delay	
Identified project issues resolved within 15 days	
Zero change orders post issue of detailed design docs.	

Continuous Improvement Metrics	Status
Plus-deltas recorded from all collaborative sessions	
Deltas addressed in future sessions	
Pluses repeated in future sessions	

# Workshop Conditions of Satisfaction (CoS)





# Workshop CoS – 10 mins

- Breakout group directions:

- Introductions

- Introduce yourself

- Ice-breaker questions:

What is something fun you did (or want to do) while in **San Diego**?

- Identify group spokesperson / person to submit group response

- As a group, brainstorm what you would like to get out of this workshop

- Create stickies to capture your group's CoS & post

- We will come together and share highlights with the whole group

# Case Study Project Introduction: Hampden Medical Center





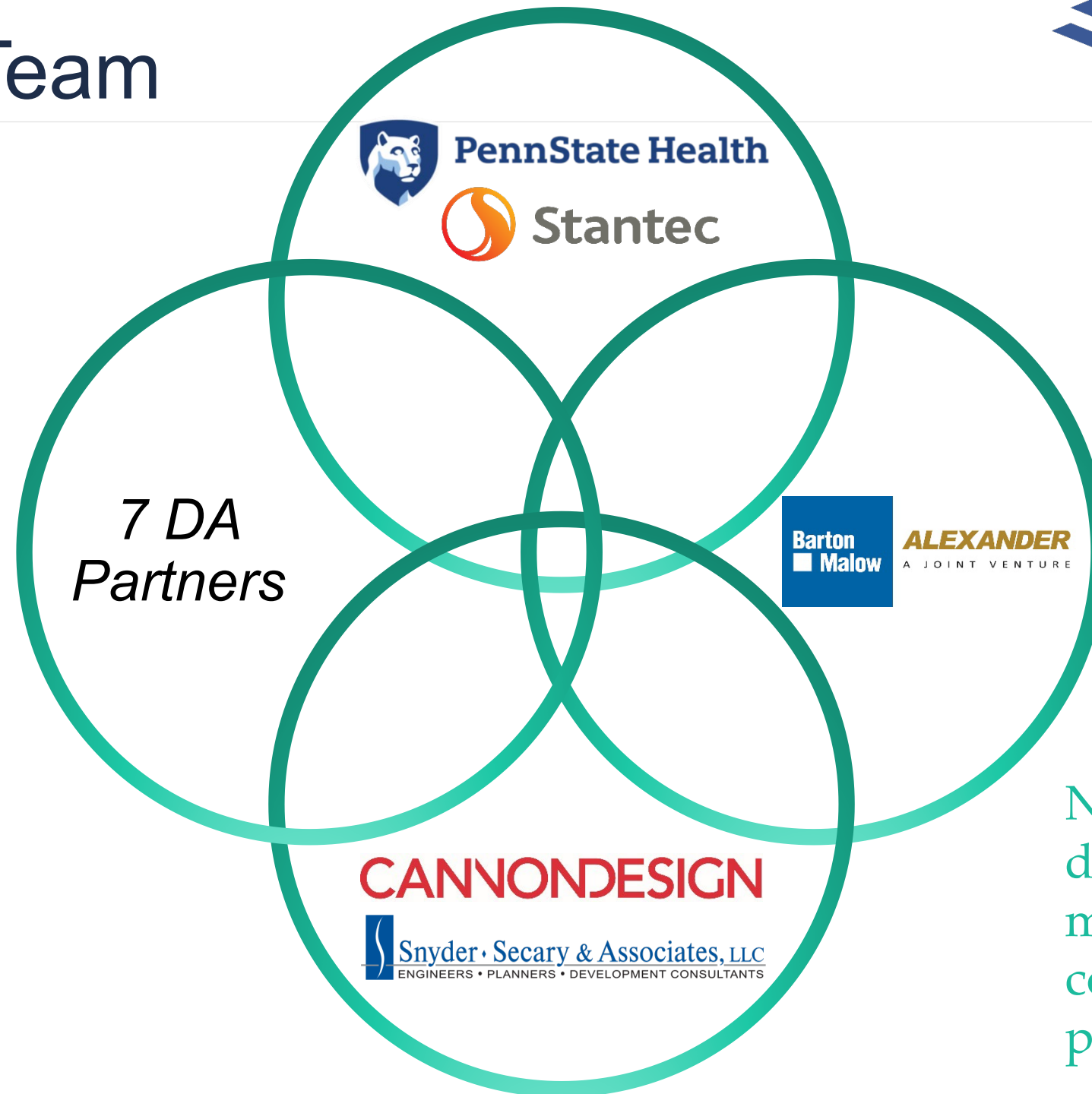
# Strategic Goals: Penn State Health

- First greenfield hospital expansion for the system
- Bring world class care closer to patients in more effective setting – hospital within 30min (10-20-30)
- Speed to market





# Collaborative Team

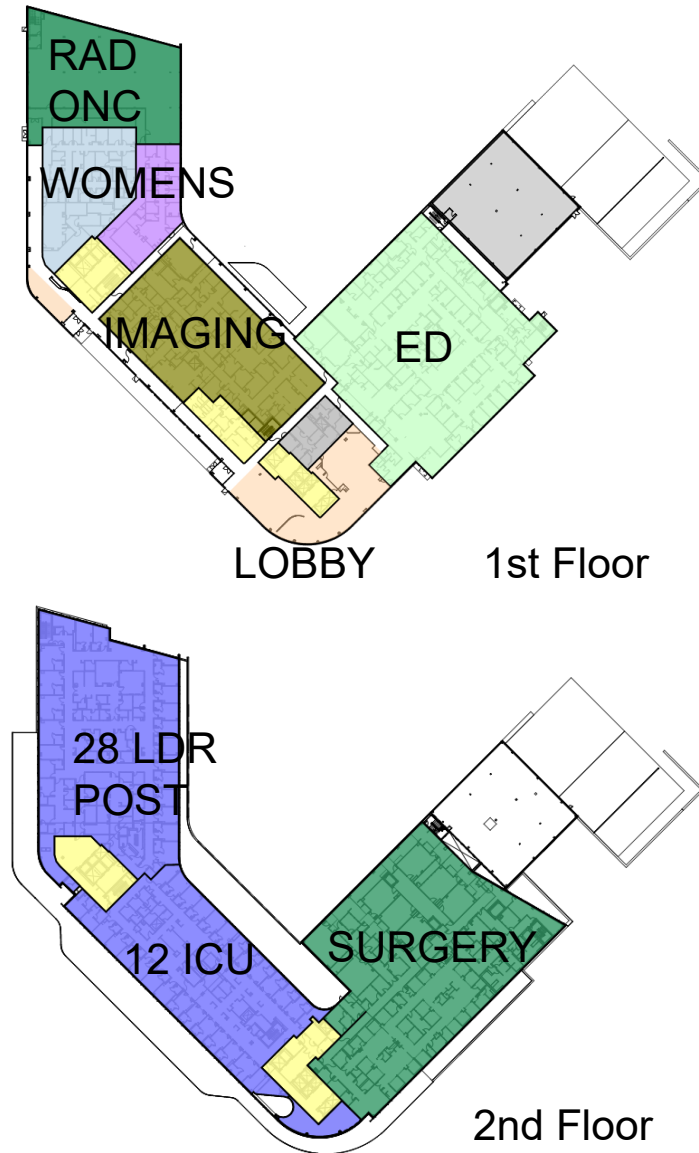


Not an IPD project, but we did have a contractual methodology and issued a contract for our DA partner preconstruction services





# Design Summary



**300,000 BGSF**

**108 Patient Beds**

- 12 ICU
- 4 Labor / Delivery
- 18 Post Partum
- 6 Ante Partum

**6 OR's**

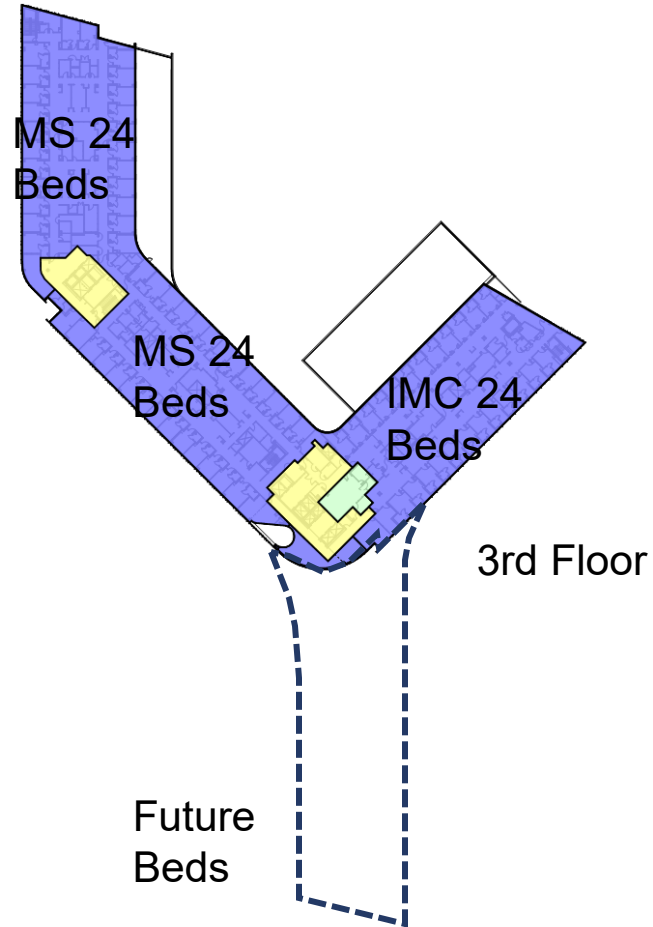
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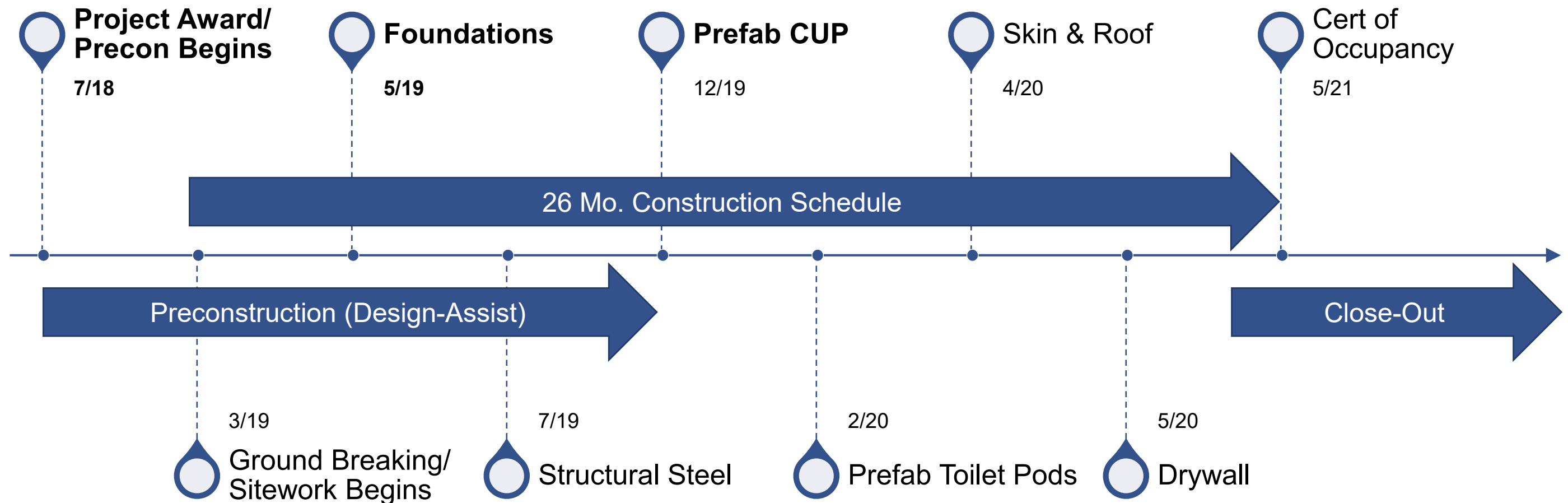
# Penn State Health – Hampden Medical Center

- Over 500 Workers  
OnSite + Prefabrication  
Efforts
- Almost 1M Labor Hours
- 26 mo. Construction  
Phase; did not change  
thru pandemic





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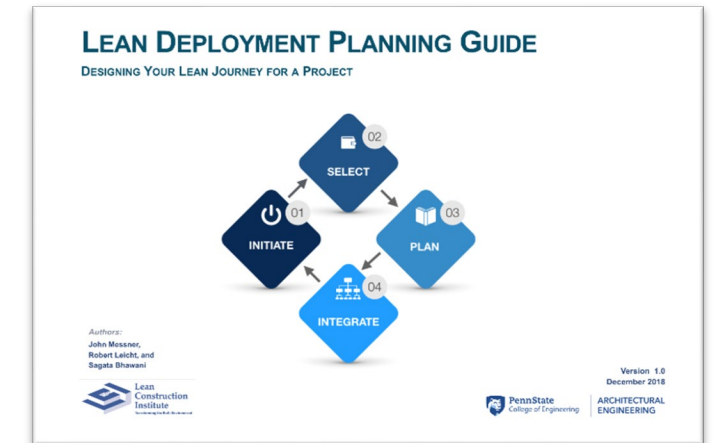
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## Step 1: Initiate Lean Deployment Planning





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# Sample Content

## Executive Summary

The core principles of Lean construction are respect for people and continuous improvement by focusing on process and flow, thus eliminating waste and creating value in facility delivery. Encompassing all principles, the overarching goal for implementing Lean construction is to focus on continuous improvement as we deliver construction projects. This can be done by implementing Lean holistically on a project by focusing on the commercial structure (i.e. the business), the organizational structure (i.e. the culture), and ultimately, the operating system (i.e. the project). (LCI, 2010).

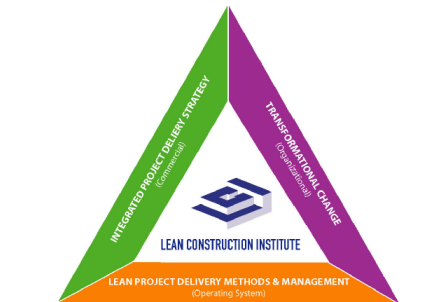


Figure 1: LCI Triangle: A Framework for Change (LCI, 2010)

A Lean Deployment Plan for a project can help with Lean implementation by allowing project teams to plan the Lean principles and practices throughout the stages of a project by embedding them into the project management processes, ultimately delivering better value for clients while simultaneously improving overall safety, cost, schedule, and quality. The Lean Deployment Plan is to be developed following the formation of the project team and, the development and validation of the project business plan. Therefore, the plan is ideally meant to be developed by the project team collaboratively with commitment to the resources and competencies needed for lean implementation.

This guide is designed to walk the project team through the steps of the planning procedure systematically as you create your project specific Lean Deployment Plan, while encouraging discussion of lean principles on the project. Each step in the procedure is defined and described in detail in the following sections of this guide. Along with this description, there are also template resources provided to help the project team work through the planning procedure, and document their project specific Lean Deployment Plan.



Figure 2: Lean Deployment Planning Procedure Steps

As shown in Figure 2, the planning procedure is composed of four steps. Adoption of Lean principles into a capital project is challenging because each project brings together team members with a vast array of experience, abilities, and knowledge, and different levels of awareness and experience with Lean principles and methods. This variability of awareness and knowledge leads to inconsistency in Lean implementation on projects, thus resulting in waste in the form of duplication of efforts and lack of standard processes and procedures. The purpose of this planning procedure is to support consistent and systematic implementation of Lean principles and methods within the project's management processes. To do so, the project team needs to develop a common understanding of which Lean methods will be used, how the Lean methods will be deployed and communicated, and how they can be measured and improved to support the project's specific goals. The development of this common understanding can be supported by collaboratively identifying the strategies and methods that serve the project specific value proposition and then customize them using this structured planning procedure.

As the project team works through the planning procedure, the templates provided within the guide are designed to help facilitate and document a complete plan for lean implementation. Therefore, it is beneficial for the team to collaboratively work on this plan, recording all the critical decisions that led to the project specific Lean goals, the methods that will be used to support these goals, the plan for implementing each method, the metrics that will be used to track implementation, the education and training strategy, the communication plan, and finally the continuous improvement plan.

## Planning Procedure Overview

The Lean deployment planning procedure is designed to help project teams interested, or required by the project client or owner organizations, to implement lean strategies and methods on their projects. Implementation of Lean is supported in this Guide by embedding Lean methods into the project's planning process to deliver better value for clients, simultaneously improving the overall performance of safety, cost, schedule, and quality on the chosen project.

This procedure can also be used by the project planning group, a Lean coach or consultant, or an owner's representative to promote and manage consistent implementation of Lean at a project level. By working through the planning procedure using the resource templates provided, the project team will be able to develop a complete project specific Lean Deployment Plan.

The planning procedure comprises four steps and each of these steps have been defined based on research conducted in conjunction with the Lean Construction Institute to address consistent implementation of Lean at a project level. By identifying current practices in Lean method planning and implementation of Lean across projects, these steps were developed to capture the best practices and to minimize the existing challenges to support Lean adoption while improving the consistency of Lean implementation.

### Step 1 - Define Project Goals

Defining clear goals collaboratively for implementing Lean on a project is the first, most important step before being able to execute the subsequent steps of this procedure. The specific goal(s) is critical to the selection of methods and planning for the process that needs to be implemented to support project goals. The goal(s) represent the value proposition of the project with respect to the client, and as such the process that follows should also be derived to deliver and support that value with minimal waste.

### Step 2 - Select Methods and Define the Process

The goal-setting and implementation planning are ultimately targeted at delivering the client's conditions for satisfaction with maximum value and minimal waste. To support this effort, methods are required that enable the project team to deliver the project using Lean processes. The method selection step leads the project team to review methods that can help identify value and eliminate waste throughout the delivery process. Due to each project being unique, different strategies and approaches may be required during the project lifecycle. Following the selection, the team works together to develop the specific

implementation plan for each of the selected methods. The templates in the guide are intended to help project teams identify and develop the targeted methods. The planning needed helps to translate their project goals into an actionable plan that can be measured and continuously improved throughout the project. The implementation plan can be integrated into the project's management processes to support overall project delivery.

### Step 3 - Measure Progress

Once the implementation plan has been laid out for the project, the project team can work to integrate and further develop the metrics, educational plan and communication needed, to tell the story of Lean implementation at the project level. The goal of the step is to the information and plans into resources and a stream of information to identify challenges or potential breakdowns early and ensure that the implementation, overall, is successful.

### Step 4 - Learn and Continuously Improve

It is critical that the project team continue to reflect, learn, reassess, and update the plan to the most current information. Routine events need to be embedded into the project processes with time and resource commitments to enable the team to learn and improve. This step reinforces the need to learn in a collaborative environment and to encourage peer motivation and team progress as a whole.

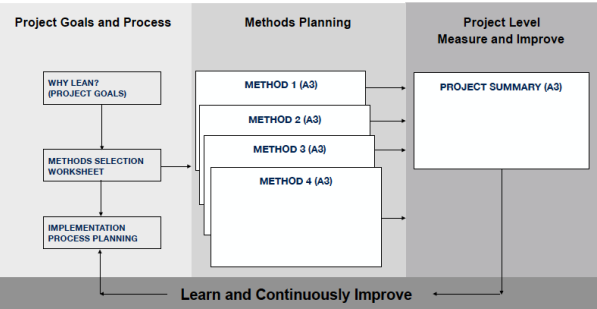


Figure 3: Lean Deployment Planning Procedure Overview

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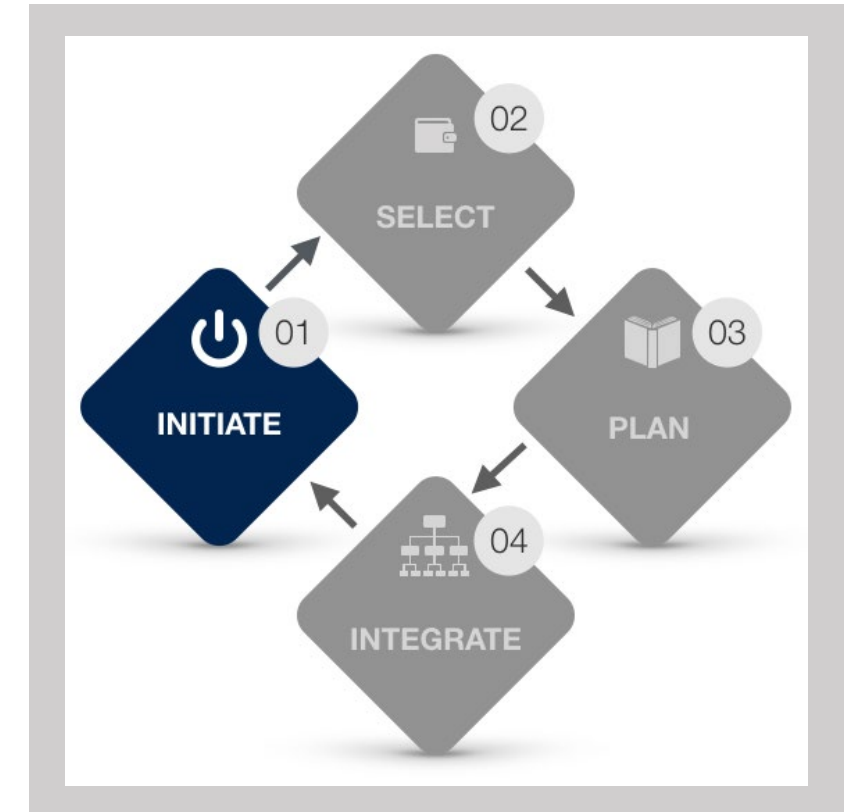
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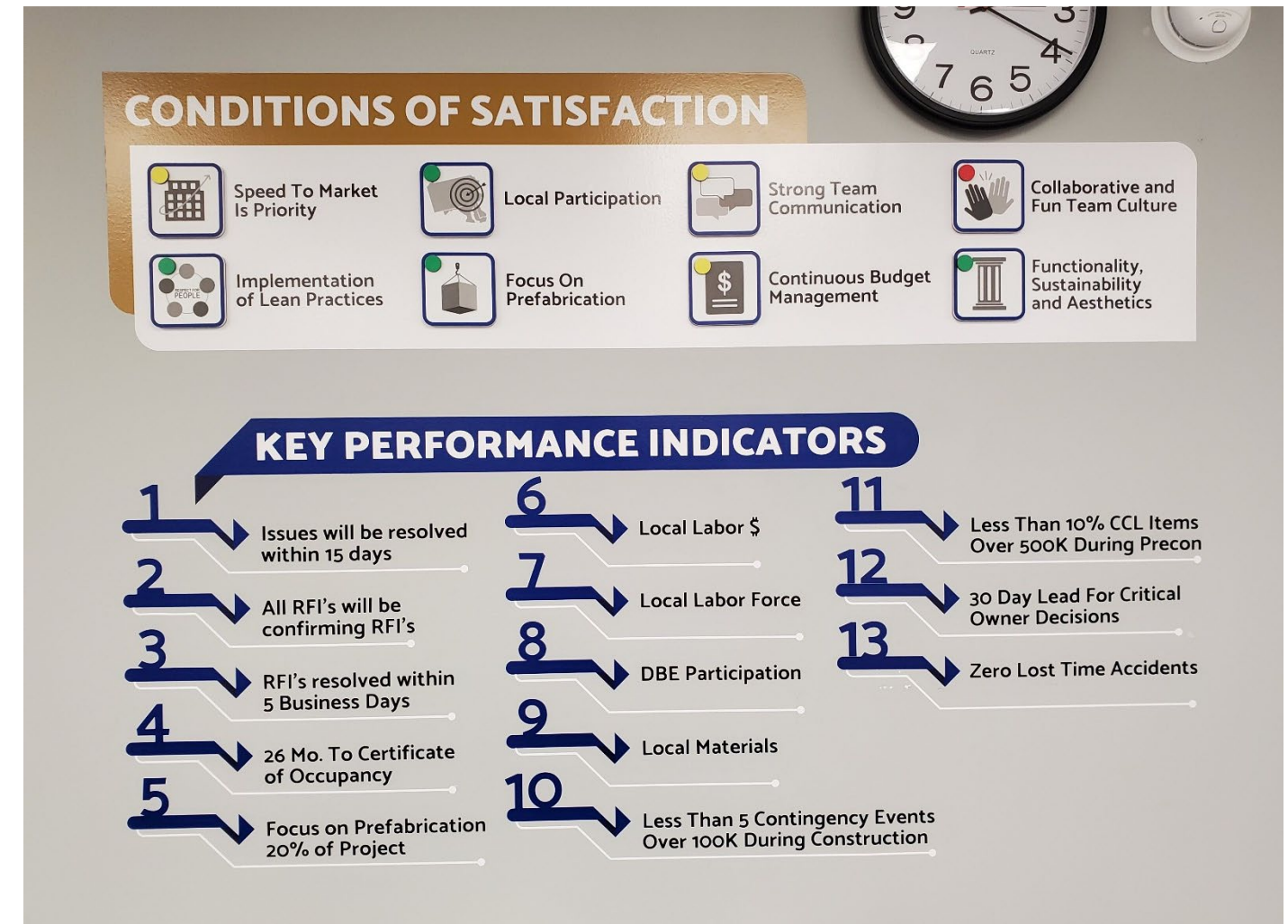
# Step 1: Initiate – Coaches & Training

- Identify a Lean Champion on your Team
- Bring in a Lean Coach (internal or consultant)
- Connect your Lean Champion to continue to consult with your Coach
- Identify the Team's (owner, design & builders) knowledge / experience with Lean – Where are you starting from?
- Need an Owner that's willing to let you try
- Start the Project with setting your Conditions of Satisfaction and use those to guide which Lean Methods you select.



# Step 1: Initiate –Kickoff Session Planning

- Start the Project with setting your Conditions of Satisfaction
- Best to facilitate a meeting with the entire team (owner, designers & builders) to identify the methods you want to try
- Let CoS guide which Lean Methods you select
- Develop a core group to work with Project Champion to build momentum





# Conditions of Satisfaction

The **project priorities** that guide decision-making throughout the development and implementation of the project.

## An alignment of interests

- Everyone is in agreement that this goal is a priority (co-developed)

## A goal that is obtainable by all

- Everyone can assist in achieving the goal

## A goal that creates focus and drive for a positive end result

- Everyone feels invested and motivated towards achieving the goal

# EXERCISE: Developing Example CoS – 20 mins

- Breakout group directions:
  - Draft 2-3 conditions of satisfaction for the Hampden Medical Center project

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## Step 2: Select Lean Methods

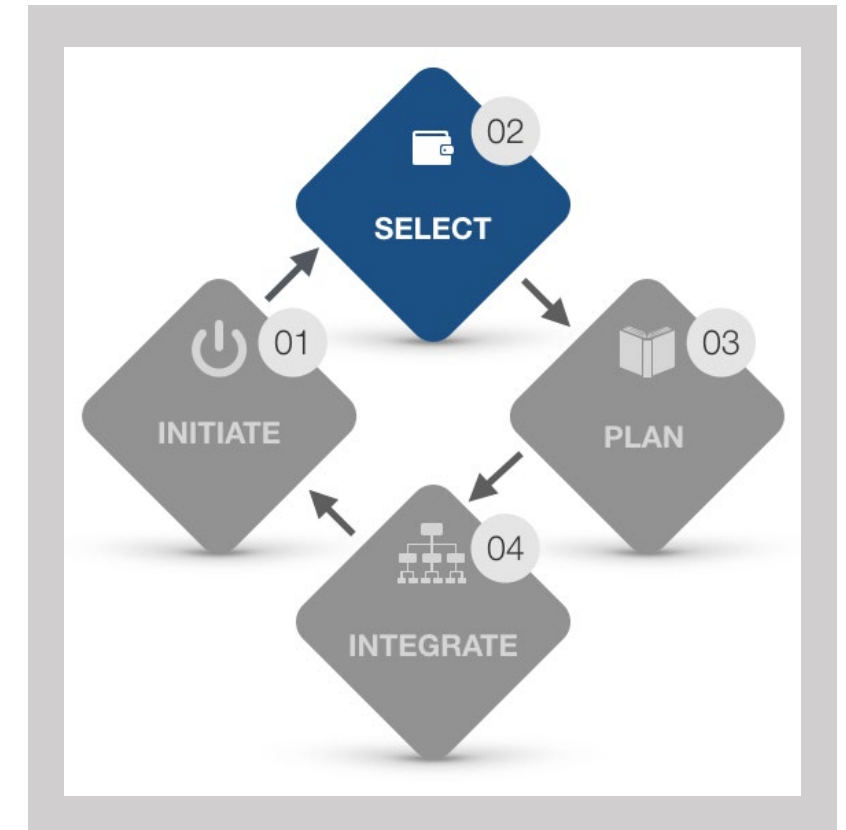


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# Defining the Lean Methods

## Operating System Methods - Definitions

### Production

#### Last Planner System

Collaborative and commitment-based system of planning and control that helps develop a reliable workflow through pull planning make-ready look-ahead planning, and weekly work planning.

#### SIPS/Takt Planning

Short Interval Production Scheduling (SIPS) focuses on detailed planning of worker and crew level tasks at short (15 or 20 minute) intervals for highly repetitive work.

#### Modularization

Strategies employed in production to develop assemblies off-site to streamline work flow and add efficiencies to work on-site.

### Design development

#### Set-based Design

A method to explore and optimize design alternatives in small sets, based on a set of design criteria, for the project, to find the best solution.

#### Agile Planning

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Construction projects tend to be complex and require multiple experts to provide input along the design process. It helps to break down the overall project scope into smaller components.

Set-based design helps with the development of such smaller components to streamline the overall design development process.

- Benefits:**
- Concurrent development of multiple design components and options
  - Maintains design options longer, then advances quickly as decisions are made
  - Enabler for integrated design

- Suggested Resources:**
- Design visualization and review space
  - Design experts
  - Project Lean Deployment Plan
  - Book: [Transforming Design and Construction: Set-based Design](#)

- Success / Progress Metrics:**
- Effectiveness of design criteria sets
  - Support of Conditions of Satisfaction
  - Innovativeness of ideas
  - Design development deadlines



- Task Breakdown Planning Questions:**
- How will you define the design set criteria?
  - When will you assemble the design team?
  - How will you make decisions when reaching design milestones?
  - How will you incorporate the required design expertise?
  - When will key charrettes/workshops occur?
  - How will you track design development?
  - How will you engage the client in the process of design review and selection?
  - How will you evaluate options and make final selections? (For example: Visualization, CBA)

- Communication Planning:**
- How will you communicate the design schedule and progress with project team, including the client?
  - How will you communicate design alternatives for final selection?

- Continuous Improvement:**
- How will you improve the efficiency of the design development process?
  - How will you improve the efficiency of design development tools?
  - What routines can you use to continue maximizing value for client through design development?



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#### Benefits:

- Helps create high-performing teams
- Reduces potential process breakdowns
- Helps develop leadership skills




#### Success / Progress Metrics:

- All project leaders have led a session
- % of team members that attended
- Plus/Deltas from onboarding sessions
- Post-session 'quiz' results




#### Suggested Resources:

- Lean Simulations
- Project Lean Deployment Plan
- Training space
- Book: *Don't Conform, Transform* - chapter on Onboarding




#### Potential Education needs:

- Who will lead onboarding sessions?
- What project's onboarding do they need further training to teach?
- Who needs training to facilitate lean simulations?




#### Communication Planning:

- How will team members be informed of onboarding timelines?
- How will project culture and training from onboarding be reinforced visually throughout the project?



#### Task Breakdown Planning Questions:

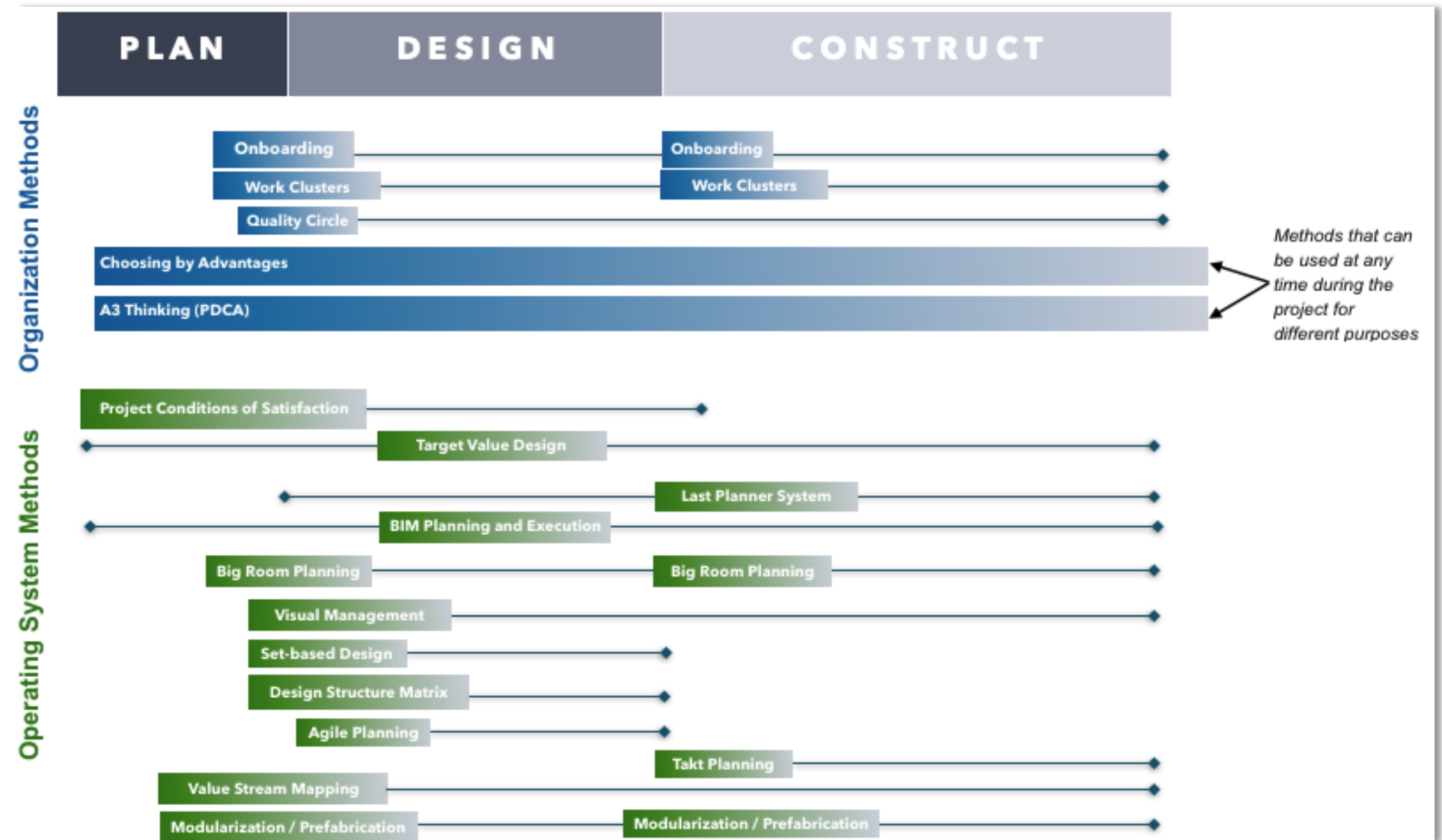
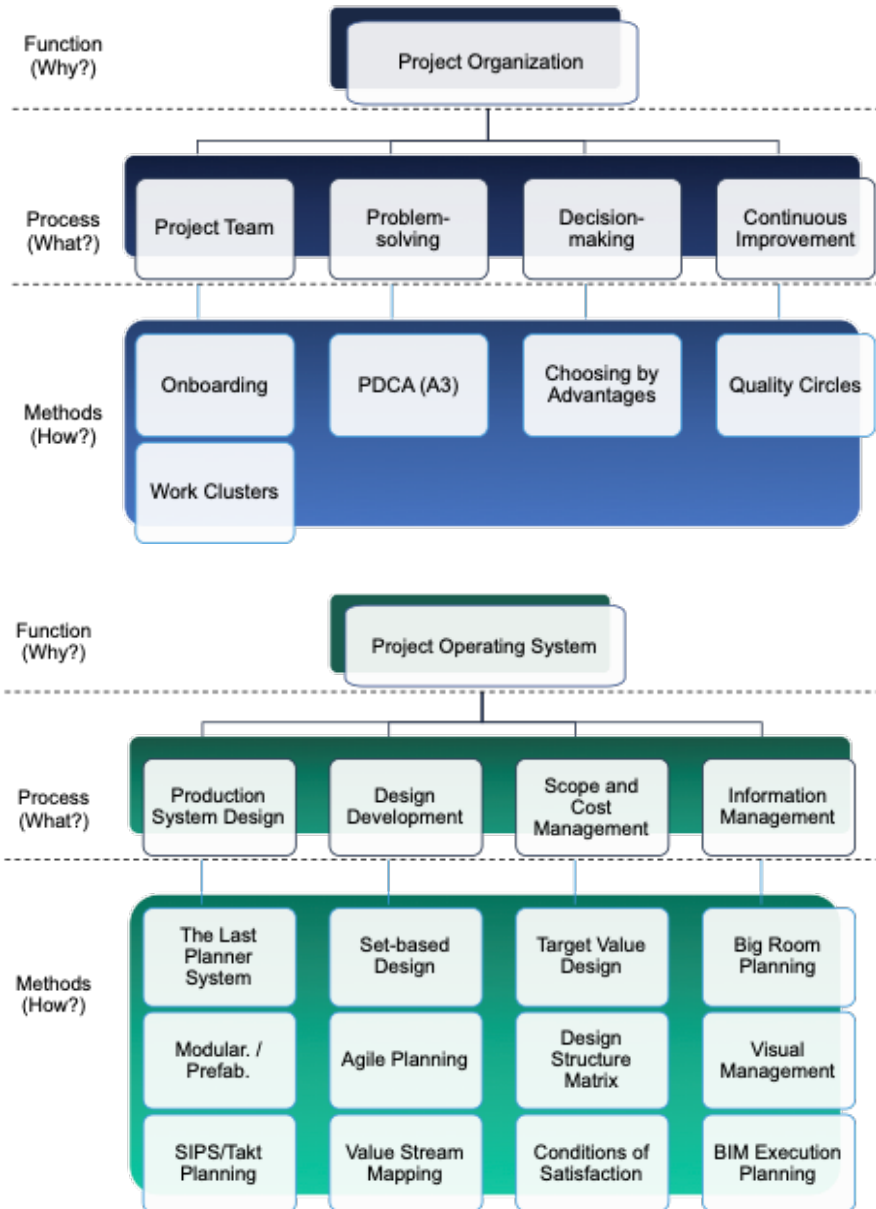
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- Which lean simulations should be used?
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- How frequently, or at which events, will onboarding sessions be offered?
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- What documents and training materials will be used and who will assemble them?
- What lean principles should be taught at onboarding?



#### Continuous Improvement:

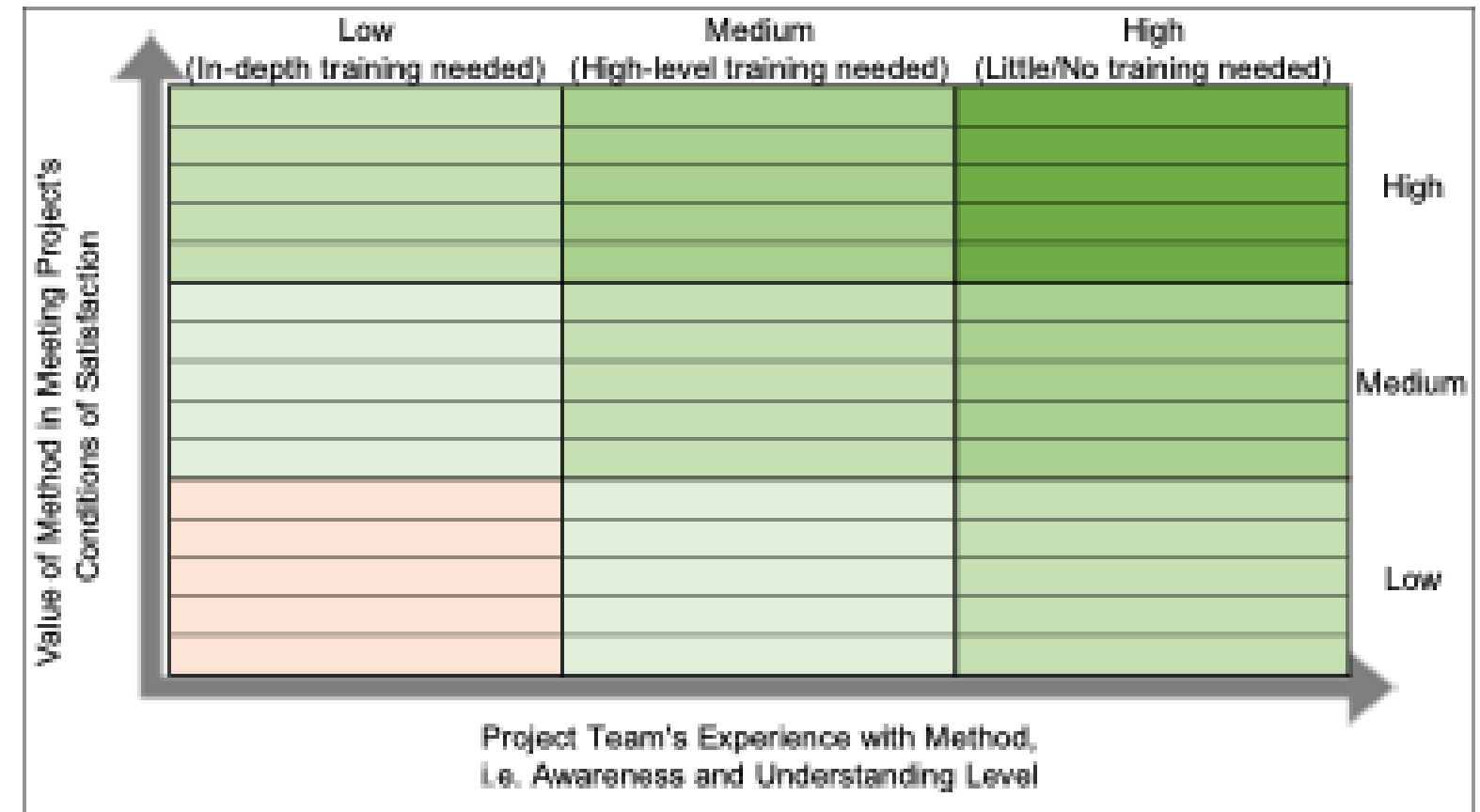
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- How will the effectiveness of sessions be evaluated?
- Who will review the content or audit the sessions for quality and effectiveness?

# Methods by Function and Project Phase



# Evaluating Lean Methods

- The purpose of the evaluation step is to prioritize methods that add value to the project
- Consider Value to the project
- Review and share awareness and experience using methods

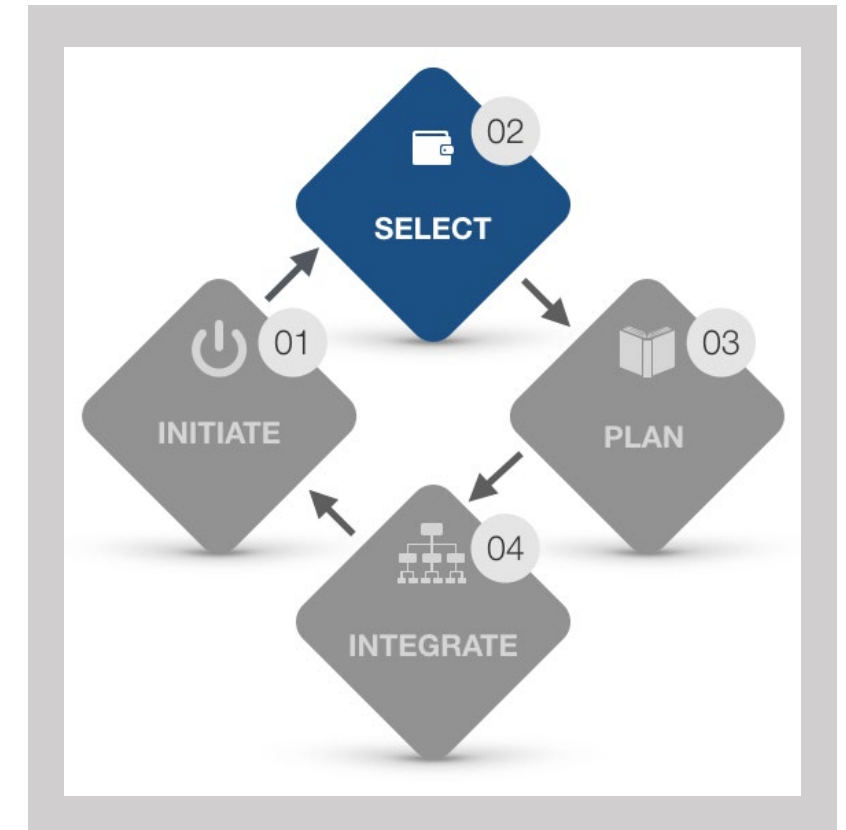


## Step 2: Select Lean Methods

Review lean methods

Evaluate methods

Select methods



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# Exercise - Select your methods (step 1)

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- Discuss / group / prioritize

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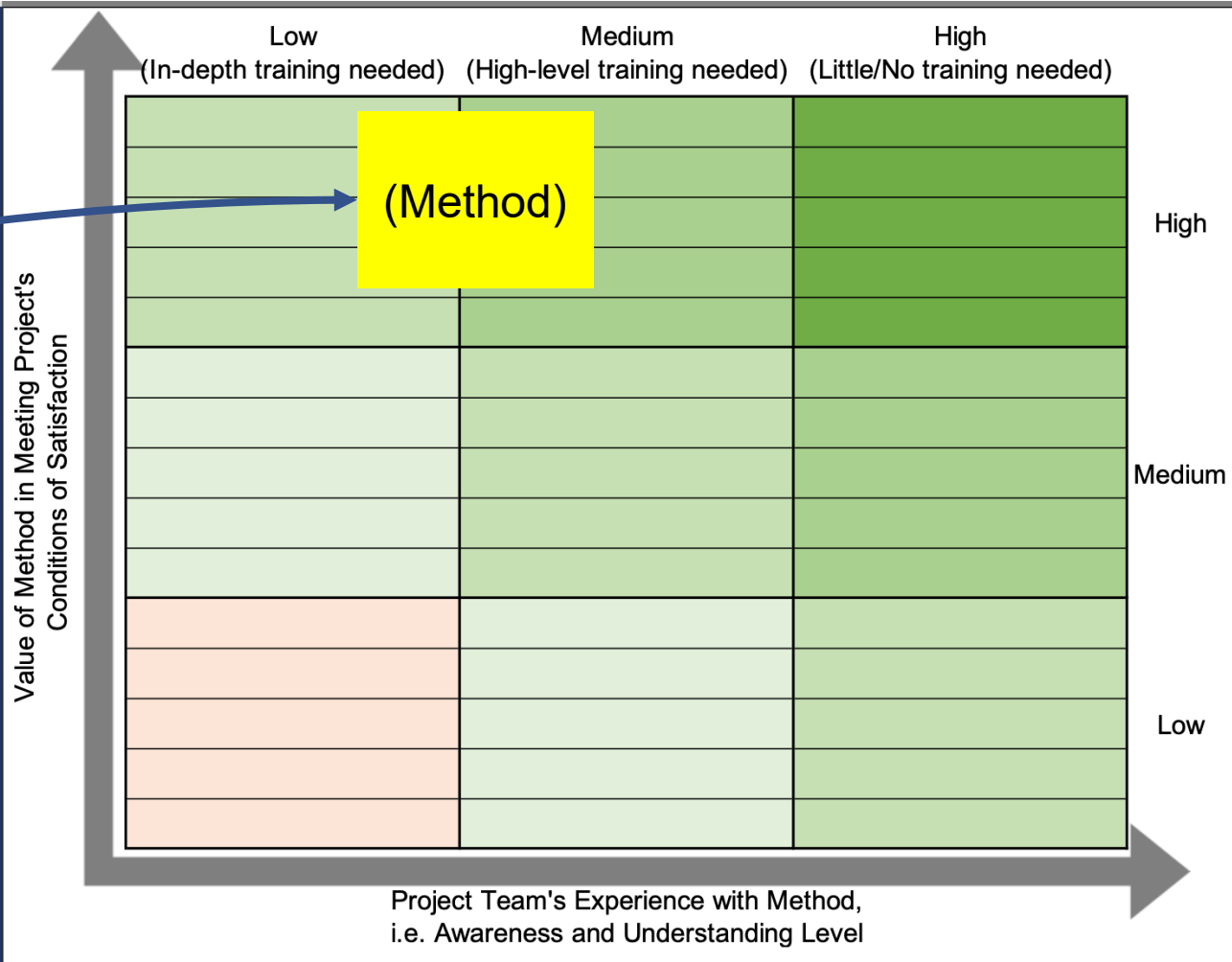
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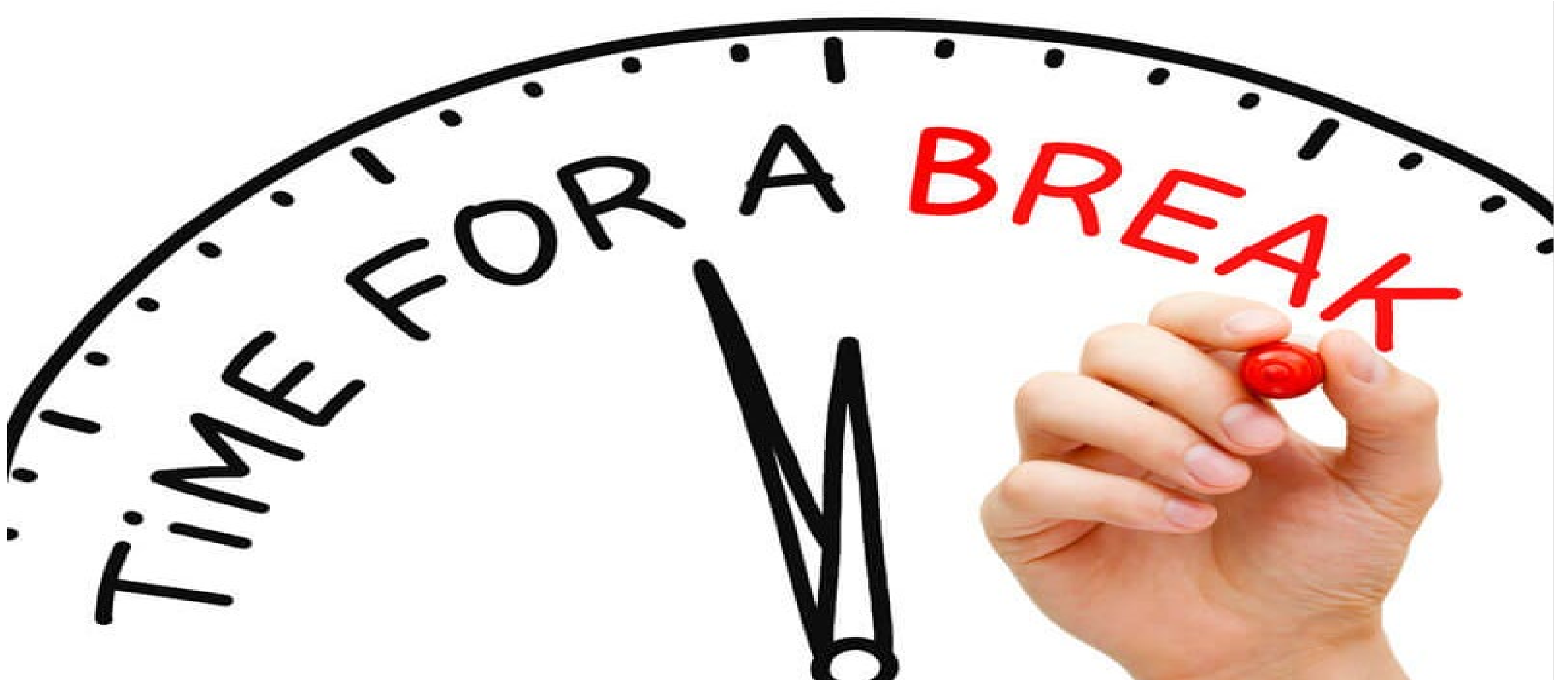


Continuous Improvement

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[Project Team]  
[Client]  
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# Break





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- Start on Day 1
- Don't jump into the deep end (don't try to do it all at once)
- Start with some easy wins
- Continue regular Lean Initiatives session to engage the larger team



LEAN AT WORK		
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2	ONBOARDING	Stephanie S. / Chase V.
3	LAST PLANNER	Dan F. / Tom H. Larry D. / James H.
4	VISUAL MGMT	Emily L.
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# Lean Deployment Planning Guide

## Step 3: Plan Each Lean Method



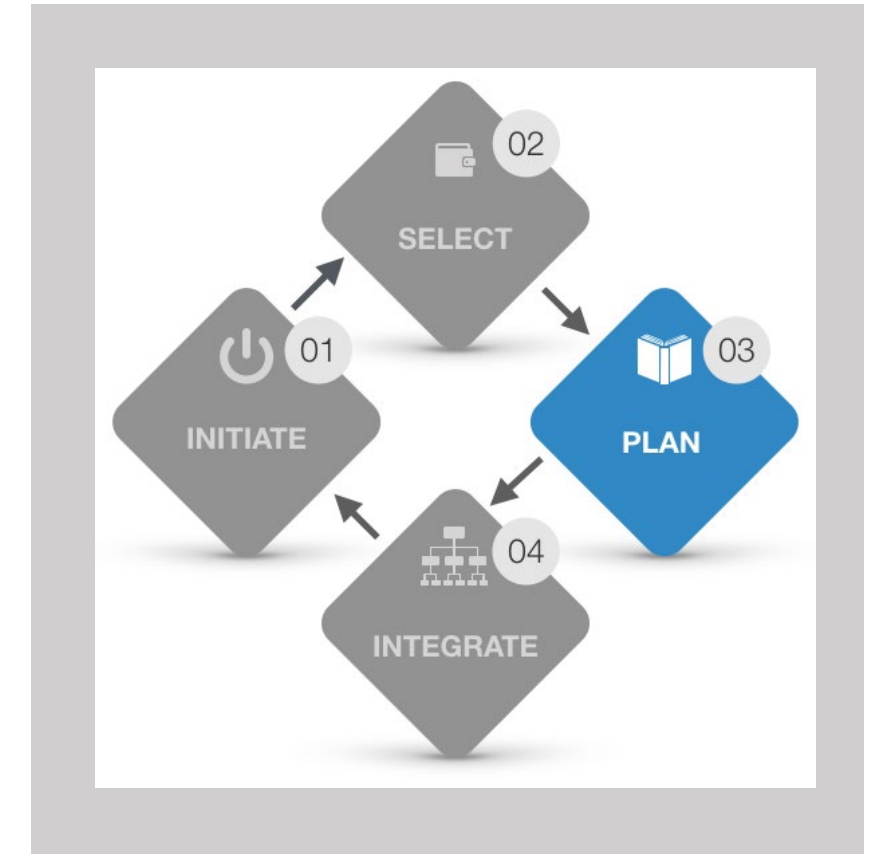
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Identify champion(s) and key participants

Outline the tasks and responsibilities

Define the measures, communication strategy(ies), and continuous improvement opportunities



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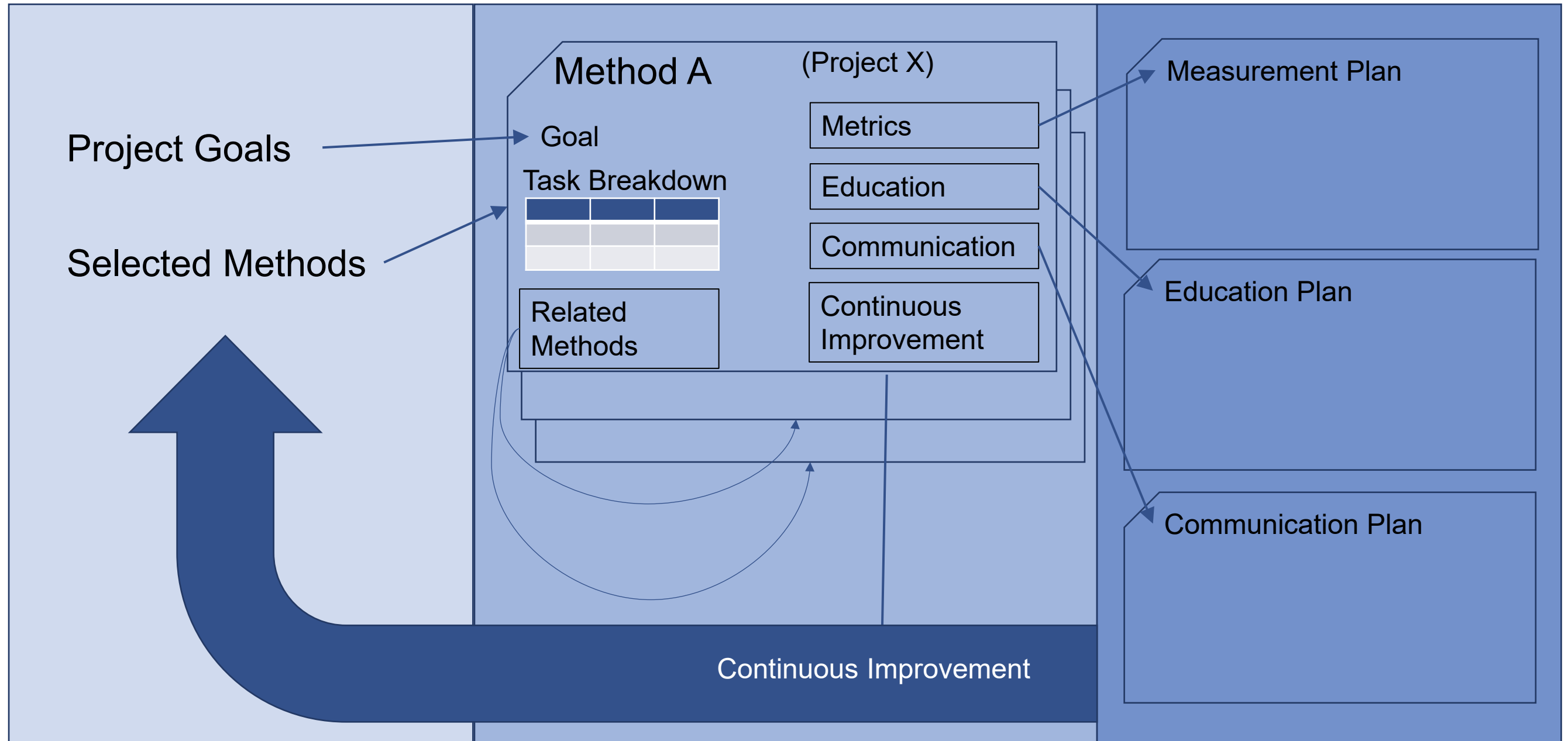
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  - Should be engaged in the project on a daily basis
  - Role should align with method use, support their responsibility for implementation
- **Customer & Participants:** who should be involved in planning the methods?
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  - Customers – should be recipients / benefit from the use of the method



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  - Appendix C – method specific questions to support planning
  - Assign timeline and responsible party for implementing each task / step
- **Related Methods** – identify methods that are inter-related with the use of this method
  - Methods Summaries (App C) help identify this
  - Supports consideration of shared metrics, training, and implementation tasks

# Education and Communication Plans

- **Education Plan** – define who needs to be trained for using this method and how deep the training needs to delve
  - Introduction – general awareness or understanding of method
  - Deep Dive – active participants in using method
  - Trainer – those that lead, facilitate, or train others
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  - Where can information be displayed?
  - What can be embedding in onboarding?
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# Metrics and Continuous Improvement

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  - Identify best information/metrics first, then refine
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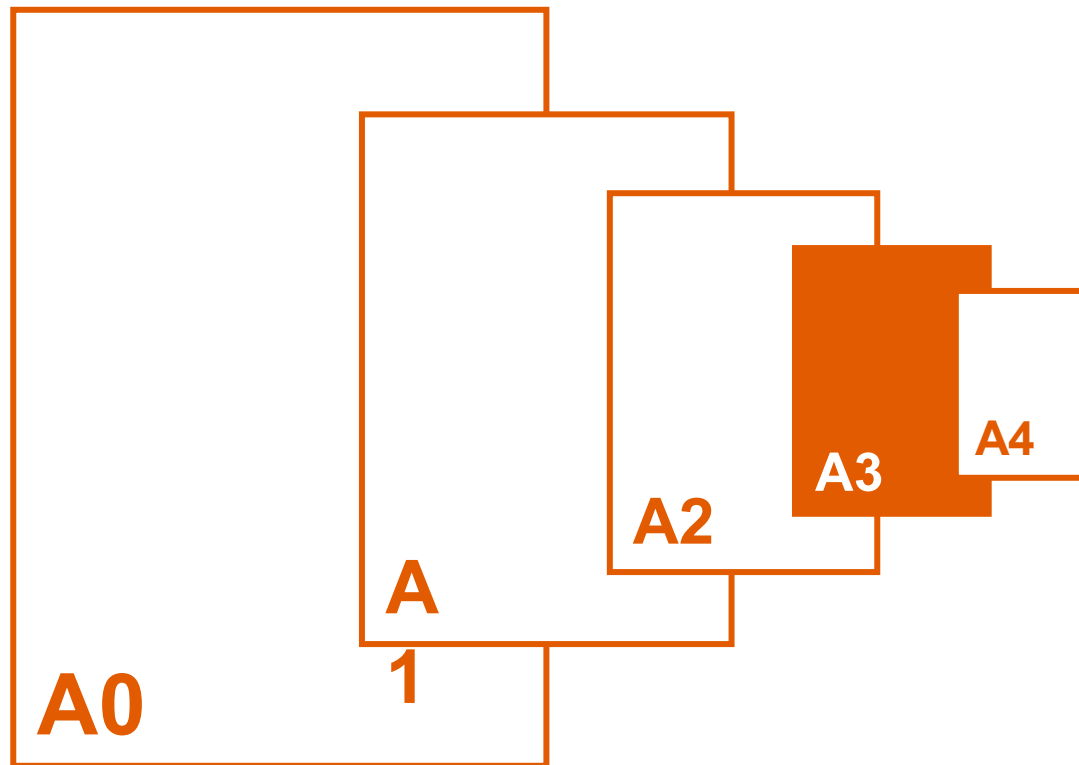
## Problem solving in integrated teams

- Project team members need to be able to recognize waste
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Enter A3 thinking...

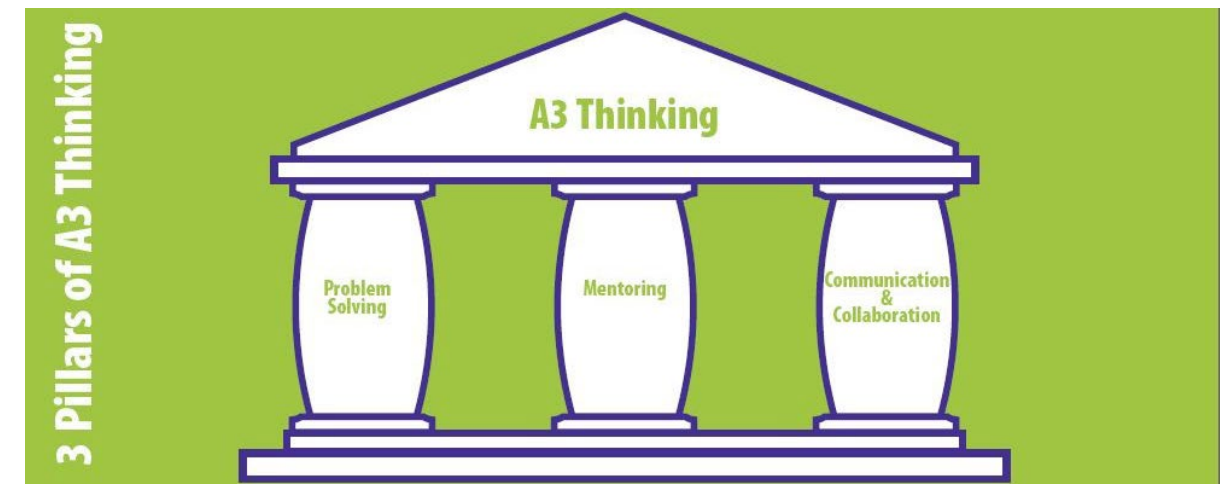
# What is an A3?

- a one-page document that communicates problem identification, analysis, corrective action, and results



## What is A3 Thinking?

- Decision making approach
- Used to standardize problem-solving
- Deliverable is reported on 11x17 paper broken into sections



# Logic behind A3 process

- Based on the concept that everything important should be seen in a single glance
- Creates practicality by getting many people on the same page using visual tools
- Creates a standard process
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  - focusing on the interests of a variety of different individuals and departments
  - creating a dialogue where *all parties can share their opinions* to determine the best result for everyone.

## Why use an A3?

- **provides a clear and concise method for reporting information**
- **accessible and understood by everyone**
- **proven continuous improvement**
- **develop collaborative problem solvers**
- **create and capture institutional memory for the team or organization**



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# Two common types of A3s

Focus	Problem-solving A3	Design / Decision A3
<b>Content/focus</b>	Improvements (quality, cost, safety, logistics, safety, productivity, etc)	Policies, decisions, or new projects with significant investment/implementation
<b>Person conducting</b>	Novice/ journey-level	Experienced / manager-level
<b>Analysis</b>	Root-cause emphasis (fix problem / remove waste)	Improvement-based (new method / innovation)
<b>PDCA Cycle</b>	Document full PDCA cycle and verify results	Heavy 'plan' focus, check/act elements embedded in implementation
<b>Example</b>	Long RFI turnaround time	Alternative options for foundation decision or selecting the best trade partner

Based upon Sobek and Smalley - Understanding A3 Thinking



# Exercise – A3 Decision-making

Scenario – during the target value design process, the ‘value’ of the current roofing solution was questioned as it compares to the budgeted value

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- Rate the options as they compare to:
  - System-specific performance requirements
  - Project Conditions of Satisfaction (CoS)
- As a team – select the option you feel is best for the project

**Key:**

+ (exceeds expectations)

✓ (meets minimum requirements)

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Owner Approval



A/E Approval



CM Approval

Champion	Collaborators	Title	A3- ID#
Date	Budget impact	Schedule Impact	Comments

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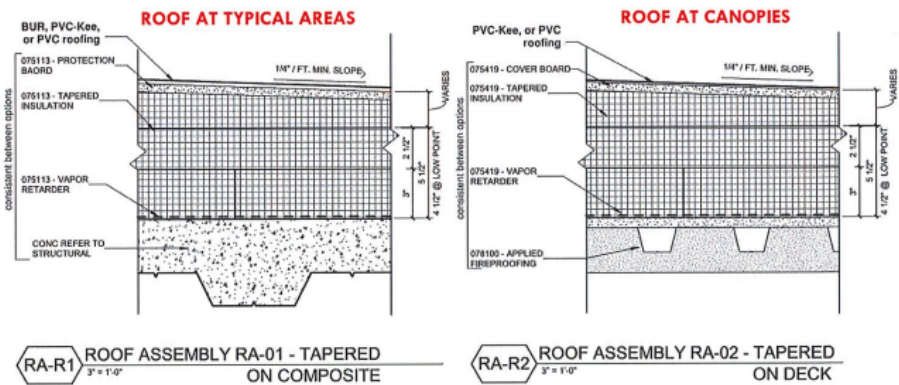
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Goal or Objective:

- Meet minimum requirements at the lowest responsible cost

ROOFING OPTIONS

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- PVC Membrane Single-ply



ANALYSIS

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System specific requirements	Req’t	BUR – Tremco	BUR – Tremco equivalent	PVC-Kee Single-ply	PVC Single-ply
Performance	Minimal punctures or multiple layers				
Installation	Meets current schedule				
Service life	20 years				
Sustainability	Meet current energy (envelope) requirements				
CoS Impact					
Local	< 150 miles				
Speed to market	Meet (or improve) schedule				

DECISION MADE WITH DESIRED OUTCOMES

- Option selected: \_\_\_\_\_
- No significant reduction in quality or performance
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

Budget

Targeted Budget:

\$2.7 Million

Option	Budget implications
BUR-Tremco	
BUR – Tremco Equiv	
PVC-Kee – Singly ply	
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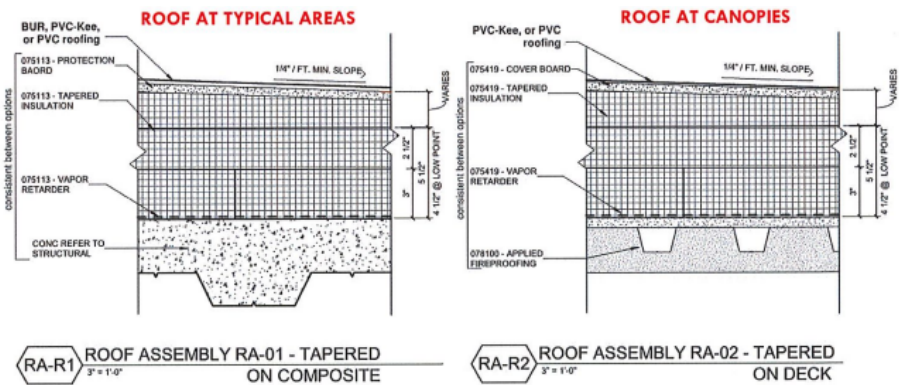
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CoS Impact					
Local	< 150 miles	+	+	-	✓
Speed to market	Meet (or improve) schedule	✓ / -	✓	-	✓

DECISION MADE WITH DESIRED OUTCOMES

- Option selected: PVC Single-ply
- No significant reduction in quality or performance
- reliability of meeting schedule\_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

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Targeted Budget:

**\$2.7 Million**

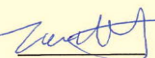
Option	Budget implications
BUR-Tremco	\$3.8 M
BUR – Tremco Equiv	\$4.5 M
PVC-Kee – Singly ply	\$5.1 M
PVC – Singly Ply	\$2.5M




# Actual A3 - the story / reflection



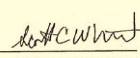
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
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### BACKGROUND & GOAL

- In hopes of reaching budget goals, the team has investigated additional roof system options which do not significantly decrease quality or performance in relation to the specified Tremco Multi-ply (Built-up) system

### ROOFING OPTIONS

- Tremco Multi-ply (Built-up) w/ PVC-Kee roof on canopy only (Currently specified system)
- Tremco Equivalent Multi-ply (Built-up) w/ PVC-Kee roof on canopy only
- PVC-Kee Membrane Single-ply on all roof area
- PVC Membrane Single-ply on all roof area (Firestone, GAF, Manville, Sarnafil)

### PARAMETERS

- No options were consider with a warranty less than 20 years
- All options must meet FM Global standards
- All cost data obtained from actual bid submission that have been extensively verified

### PRO-CON ANALYSIS

#### Tremco Multi-ply (Built-up—BUR)

PROS

1. Multiple layers provide durability/redundancy

2. Proven history with PSH

CONS

1. 20 year warranty

2. Significantly exceeds current budget goals

2. Lack of movement accommodation requires expansion joints, blocking

#### PVC-Kee Membrane Single-ply

PROS

1. 30 year warranty (more than BUR)

2. Membrane accommodates some movement, reducing need for expansion joints and blocking

3. 80 mil of protection

4. Addition of Kee polymer provides additional durability over PVC only

CONS

1. Single layer provides less durability/redundancy than BUR

2. Significantly exceeds current budget goals

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PROS

1. 30 year warranty

2. Membrane accommodates some movement, reducing need for expansion joints and blocking

3. 80 mil of protection

4. Significantly less expensive than Multi-ply (Built-up) and PVC-Kee

CONS

1. Single layer provides less durability/redundancy than BUR

2. More sensitive to compatibility with interfacing materials (Asphalt, Polystyrene, etc)

CHAMPION

Dan Myers

COLLABORATORS

James Hannigan, Brian Avery

TITLE

Roof Type Selection

A3—Topic

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DATE

2019-09-26

IMPACT TO BUDGET

\$200k Savings to \$1M Overage

IMPACT TO SCHEDULE

Negligible

SIGNATURE APPROVAL

### DECISION MADE WITH DESIRED OUTCOMES

- No significant reduction in quality or performance
- Provide project savings
- Scope and schedule certainty based on local materials and manpower.

### BUDGET IMPACT

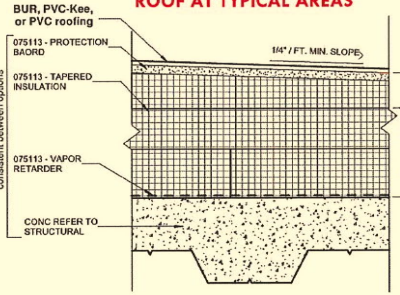
- Current Roofing Budget: **\$2,715,880**
- Tremco Multi-ply (Built-up) Roof System as specified: Lowest Responsible Bid **\$3,768,936**
- Tremco Equivalent Multi-ply (Built-up) Roof System: Lowest Responsible Bid **\$4,509,100**
- PVC-Kee Membrane Single-ply Roof System: Lowest Responsible Bid **\$5,137,100**
- PVC Membrane Single-ply Roof System: Lowest Responsible Bid **\$2,521,936**

### RECOMMENDATION

- USE PVC MEMBRANE SINGLE-PLY ROOF SYSTEM

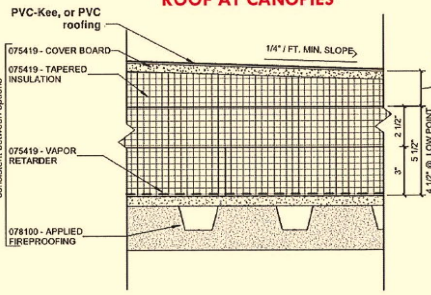
### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

#### ROOF AT TYPICAL AREAS



RA-R1 ROOF ASSEMBLY RA-01 - TAPERED ON COMPOSITE  
3\" = 1'-0"

#### ROOF AT CANOPIES



RA-R2 ROOF ASSEMBLY RA-02 - TAPERED ON DECK  
3\" = 1'-0"

Intent of this document is to memorialize decisions made on the project

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# EXERCISE: Define your A3 Method Plan

(please list the project goals and method supports)

## Customer(s):

(please  
benefit)

## Task B

- When should you create an A3?
- What tasks need to be performed
- What metrics can you use to measure?
- How will this be communicated?
- How will we identify and phase in improvements?

## Related Methods:

(please identify other methods the team is pursuing, or should consider, that support or can be enabled as a result of, this methods use on the project)

(please identify the measures that will be used to track and identify challenges, and successes, in the implementation of this method.

- Be sure to capture the party responsible for tracking each
- Consider the specific times or frequency, the metrics are captured and shared

When?	How?

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project stakeholders)

- What forms will be used (presentations, posters, posted logs)
- How often does it need to be shared? With which audiences?
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## Continuous Improvement:

(please define the timing and process that will be used to improve the use of this method

- Who will review or assess the current implementation?
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# EXERCISE: Define your A3 Decision Mgmt Plan

PROJECT DETAILS:				
Method Name: A3 thinking (PDCA)			Date: 10/19/2022	
<b>Project Conditions of Satisfaction / Method Goals:</b>				
Strong Team Communication				
Collaborative and Fun Team Culture				
Continuous Budget Management				
Functionality, Sustainability, and Aesthetics				

Method Champion(s):				

Measures for Tracking Successful Implementation			Responsible Party	

What education/training is required for individuals/groups to avoid breakdowns?				
Which Individual/Group?	Training Needs	By When?	Resource (How)?	

How do you want to communicate the information from this plan to your team?				
Topic	Format	Audience	Responsibility	Frequency

How will you ensure that your method implementation is continuously improving?			
Strategy	Responsibility	Frequency	Future Steps

What are follow-up/action items from this planning session to support implementation?	
Items:	Responsible Person/Group

Participants/Session Attendees		

Tasks Associated with Method Implementation	Responsible Person/Group	Completion Due by

Related Methods and Strategies:	

Group 1

Group 2

Group 3



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• Who will review  
• When and how  
• How will target

### Organization Method




## A3 Thinking (PDCA)

A3 thinking is a documentation approach for problem-solving and reporting on project-related critical decisions using the PDCA as a method of continuous improvement.

PDCA stands for Plan - Do - Check - Adjust. It is a method of continuous improvement that focus on a cyclic process of planning, execution, monitoring, and learning.


Construction project teams are dynamic because members come from different backgrounds and possess different skill-sets. Therefore, decision-making can be complex when everyone wants to contribute.

A3 thinking provides a common collaborative platform to channel the differences into creating high quality decisions based upon systematic thinking focused on the project value and continuous improvement.




#### Benefits:

- Helps create high-performing teams
- Improve collaboration and problem-solving skills
- Helps create high quality project updates for decision-makers




#### Success / Progress Metrics:

- Key decisions that were made using A3
- Team's confidence level from those decisions
- Consistency in A3 report format structure




#### Suggested Resources:

- A3 owner/champion/expert
- Project Lean Deployment Plan
- Reporting platform/medium
- Book: Transforming Design and Construction - chapter on A3 Thinking




#### Potential Education needs:

- Who will lead A3 thinking sessions?
- Who needs to be included to participate in the process?
- Who will own and who will use the A3s?
- Who will develop the A3 report structure?




#### Task Breakdown Planning Questions:

- What do you want to use the A3 thinking process for and how frequently?
- How will you determine who needs to be included to participate in the process?
- How will you define the problem to solve? For example: divide a larger problem into smaller components and have multiple A3 owners to each component.
- How will you encourage brainstorming during the A3 thinking sessions?
- How will you define the criteria for a go-no go decision?



#### Communication Planning:

- How will you define the A3 thinking process and share it?
- How will you develop the A3 report format structure?
- How will you share the A3s with the team?



#### Continuous Improvement:

- How will you update the A3 reports to capture new information?
- How will you assess the effectiveness of the A3 report structure?
- How will you assess the A3 thinking process performance?
- How will you assess A3 champion performance?



# Discussion

(please list the project goals and method supports)

## Customer(s):

(please  
benefit)

- When will you use an A3?
  - Who will lead or facilitate / participate?
- What Metrics will you use to monitor?
  - How will you manager and improve?
- How will you share A3s with the team?
  - Who needs training?

## Task B

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**PROJECT DETAILS:**

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Date: 10/19/2022

Method Champion: Emily

Facilitators: Tom (owner PM), Rich (Asst Super), Sue (Arch)

**Project Conditions of Satisfactions / Method Goals:**

Strong Team Communication

Collaborative and Fun Team Culture

Continuous Budget Management

Functionality, Sustainability, and Aesthetics

**Participants/Session Attendees**

Decision-makers (PM, Proj Arch, Owner Rep)

Cluster representatives for topic

Experts on problem / system

Trade partner(s) for system

**Tasks Associated with Method Implementation****Responsible Person/Group****Completion Due by**

Generate A3 template

Champion

next cluster mtg

Define process for organizing / identifying 'right' attendees

Champion + leadership

next cluster mtg

Facilitator identified (list of 3) to support A3 creation

leadership

2 weeks before training

- facilitator should be from outside topic/cluster

Review / finalize decision criteria for A3 template

Champion

by scheduled training

Communicate process / decision-making to full team

Leadership

cluster mtg after training

Capture maintain decisions / knowledge from past A3s

Champion + facilitators

ongoing (monthly)

**Related Methods and Strategies:**

Conditions of Satisfaction

Work Clusters

Choosing by Advantages (decision-making)

Problem identification techniques -&gt;

Gemba walks, Ohno Circles, Spaghetti diagrams

**Measures for Tracking Successful Implementation****Responsible Party**

How long to create and reach decision (duration / speed to decision)

Champion

Team engagement (avg number of participants creating A3s)

Facilitators

Number of A3s created

Facilitators

Number of people trained in A3 thinking

Champion

**What education/training is required for individuals/groups to avoid breakdowns?****Which Individual/Group?****Training Needs****By When?****Resource (How)?**

Cluster groups

participant (Deep Dive)

immediate

outside class / trainer

Decision makers / leaders

Introductory

early / immediate

champion to provide

Facilitators &amp; Champion

Trainer

immediate

outside class / trainer

All project team members

Introductory

rolling

part of onboarding

**How do you want to communicate the information from this plan to your team?****Topic****Format****Audience****Responsibility****Frequency**

Introduction / Awareness

Onboarding

all team members

shared (see onboarding)

weekly / bi-weekly

Log of Existing A3s

Post to 'Colo' wall

Project team

Champion / facilitators

as completed

Email distribution

snapshot of new A3

Project team

Facilitators

as completed

Dashboard

Share at daily huddle

project leaders

facilitators

daily / as appropriate

**How will you ensure that your method implementation is continuously improving?****Strategy****Responsibility****Frequency****Future Steps**

Versioning of A3 template w/ improvements

Champion

monthly to start

cross-project review

Track requests for training / facilitator needs

Champion

monthly, then as needed

external audit/review

A3 quality reviews - use of visuals, push back by de

Champion / Facilitators

monthly to start

external audit/review

**What are follow-up/action items from this planning session to support implementation?****Items:****Responsible Person/Group**

Find a trainer!!

Project Manager / Champion

Reach out for example templates from project team members

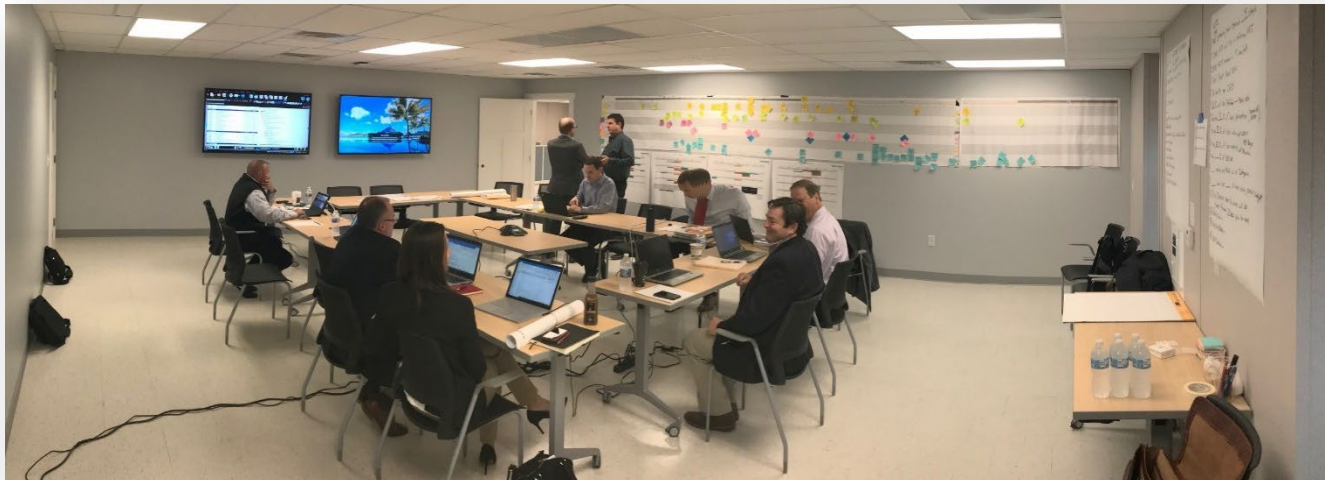
Facilitators / company representatives

Where to store working A3 files and Post completed A3s?

Facilitator

# Step 3: Plan Each Lean Method

- Easier to develop for methods that you have some experience using
- Focus on method(s) that are starting early (small bites)
- Post, share, and engage others to read & improve the plan!
- The plan is a living document – remember to ‘Check and Act/Adjust’



LEAN AT WORK		
1	HUDDLES	Dan Myers / Dan Munn
2	ONBOARDING	Stephanie S. / Chase V.
3	LAST PLANNER	Dan F. / Tom H. Larry D. / James H.
4	VISUAL MGMT	Emily L.
5	PREFABRICATION	Greg M.
6	BIG ROOM	Rodney W.
7	6S METHODOLOGY	Steve M. / Tom H.
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# Lean Deployment Planning Guide

## Step 4: Integrate Methods into Project Plan





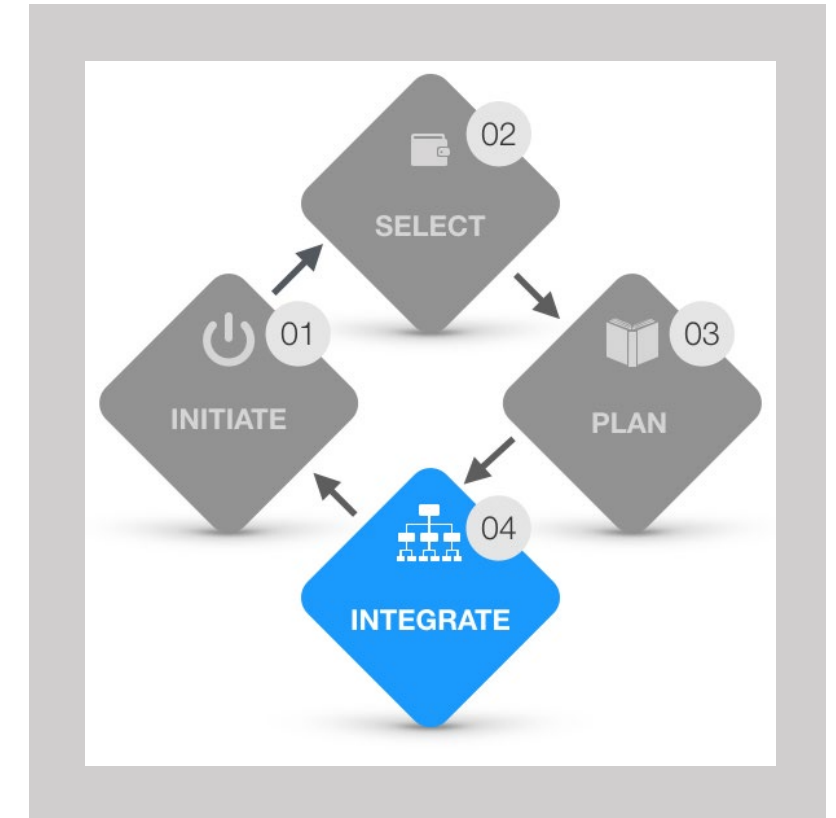
# Step 4: Integrate Methods to Project Plan

Record project conditions of satisfaction and associated methods

Consolidate project measures for tracking alignment to implementation plan

Consolidate all training to be completed on the project

Consolidate all communication strategy(ies), and continuous improvement opportunities



# Project Summary Dashboard

Project: ABC Recreational Complex Renovation

Project Conditions of Satisfaction
Rapid issue-detection and resolution
Continuous and reliable workflow
High performing project team
Effective , efficient, and timely team communications
High performing building design

Organization Methods	Operating System Methods
Onboarding	Last Planner System
Work Clusters	Target Value Design
Gemba Walk	Big Room Planning
A3 Thinking/Reports	Visual Management

Lean Champion(s): Jane Doe

Lean Implementation Metrics:	Status
All lean methods champions identified within 30 days of lean implementation planning kick-off	
Lean plan completed within 90 days of kick-off	

Education and Training Metrics	Status
New person onboarding completed within 30 days of hire	
All lean champions trained within 30 days of kick-off	
All lean trainings completed within 90 days of kick-off	

Communication Metrics	Status
Project issues identified did not cause project delay	
Identified project issues resolved within 15 days	
Zero change orders post issue of detailed design docs.	

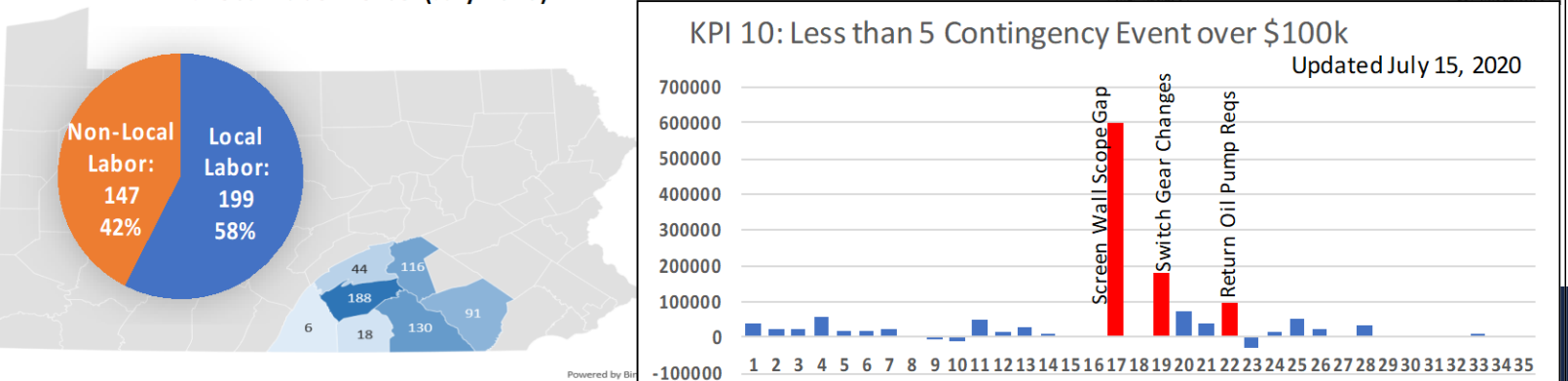
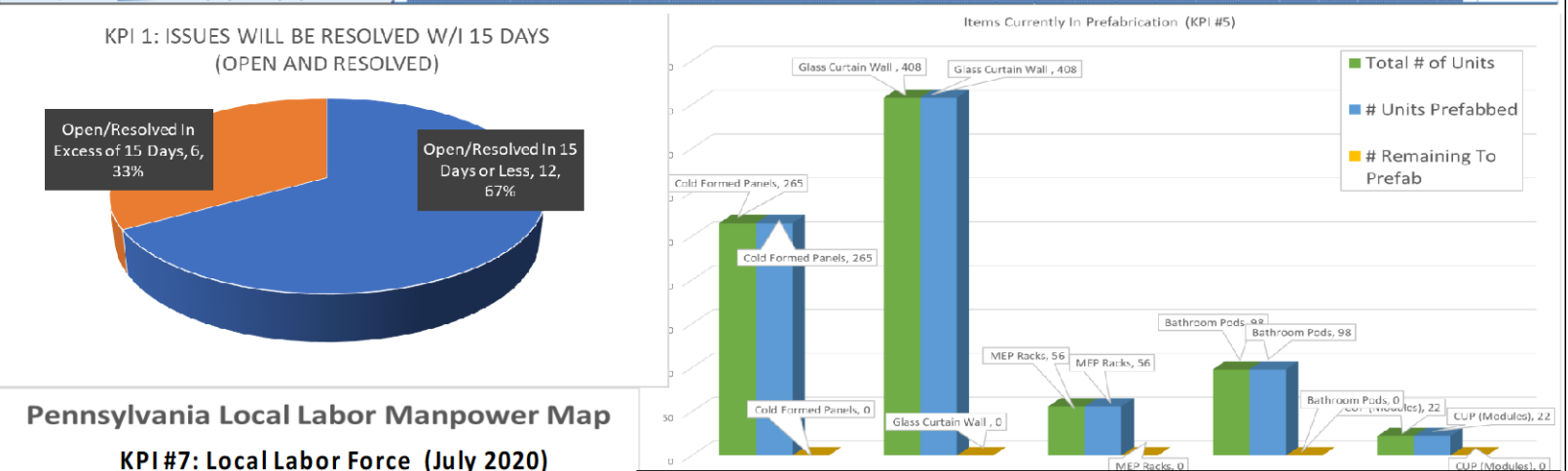
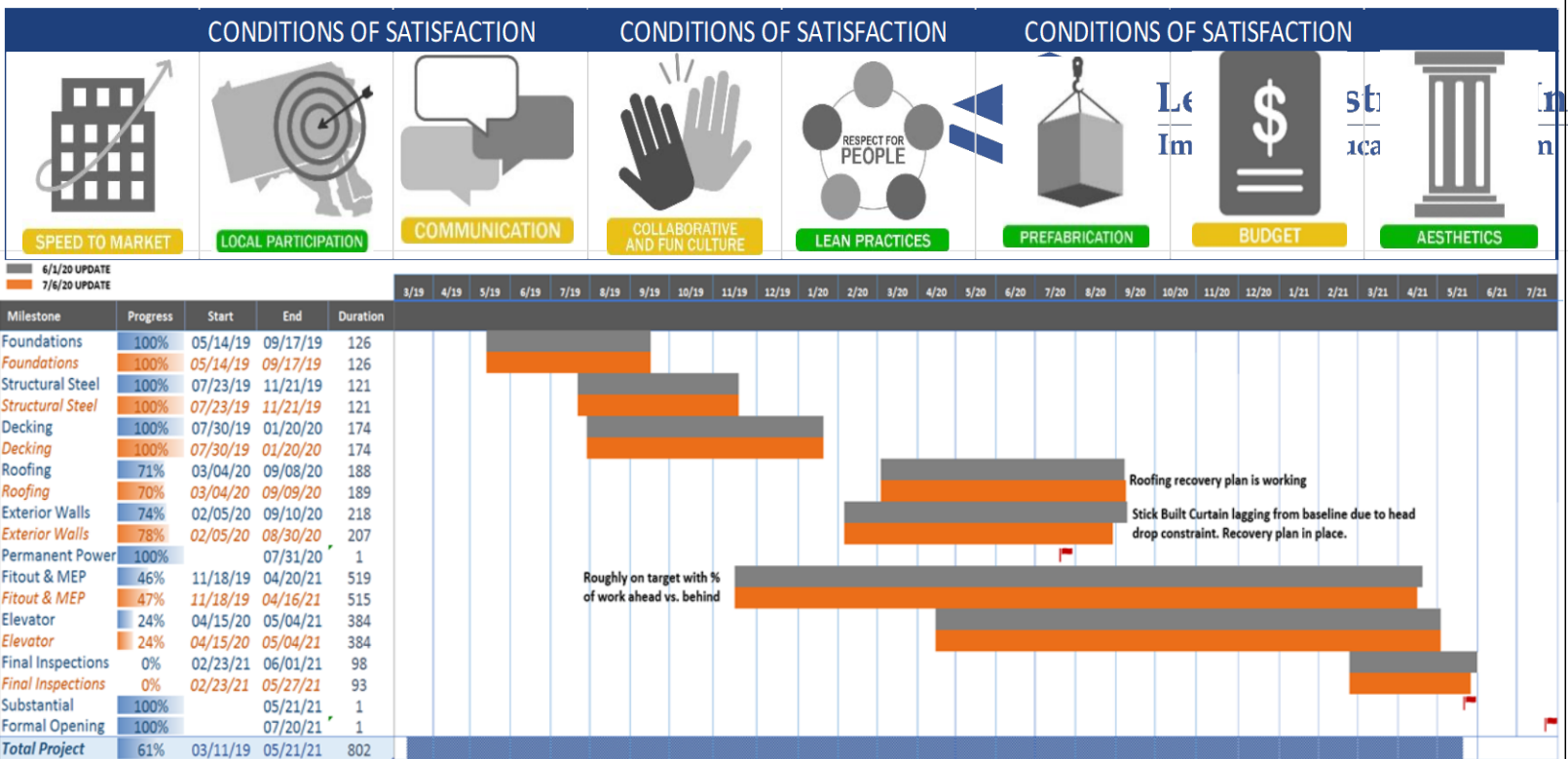
Continuous Improvement Metrics	Status
Plus-deltas recorded from all collaborative sessions	
Deltas addressed in future sessions	
Pluses repeated in future sessions	

7/16/2020	#19	Monthly	195
Report	Dashboard	Dashboard Frequency	Current # Active Team Members

<b>SAFETY REPORT:</b>	1	INCIDENTS SINCE LAST REPORT	32	DAYS WITHOUT INCIDENT
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MAJOR MILESTONES				
9/1/2020	<b>SITE:</b>	43 DAYS	9/23/2020	<b>ENCLOSURE:</b> 65 DAYS
	Hardscaping Start Around Building			Roofing Complete
7/17/2020	<b>SITE:</b>	-3 DAYS	8/10/2020	<b>ENCLOSURE:</b> 21 DAYS
	Final Plan Recordings			Exterior Walls Complete
10/1/2020	<b>SITE:</b>	73 DAYS	8/29/2020	<b>ELECTRICAL/ IT:</b> 40 DAYS
	Start Landscaping			Permanent Power
10/25/2020	<b>SITE:</b>	97 DAYS	8/12/2020	<b>INTERIORS:</b> 23 DAYS
	Phase 1 HOP Completion			Start Installation of Ceiling Grid
11/1/2020	<b>SITE:</b>	224 DAYS	8/21/2020	<b>INTERIORS:</b> 32 DAYS
	Start Phase 2 - Good Hope Rd.			Start Installation of Millwork
3/1/2021	<b>SITE:</b>	224 DAYS	8/15/2020	<b>PREFAB:</b> 26 DAYS
	Installation of Traffic Signals			CUP Start Up
			8/15/2020	<b>CANNON:</b> 26 DAYS
				Area A Fitout

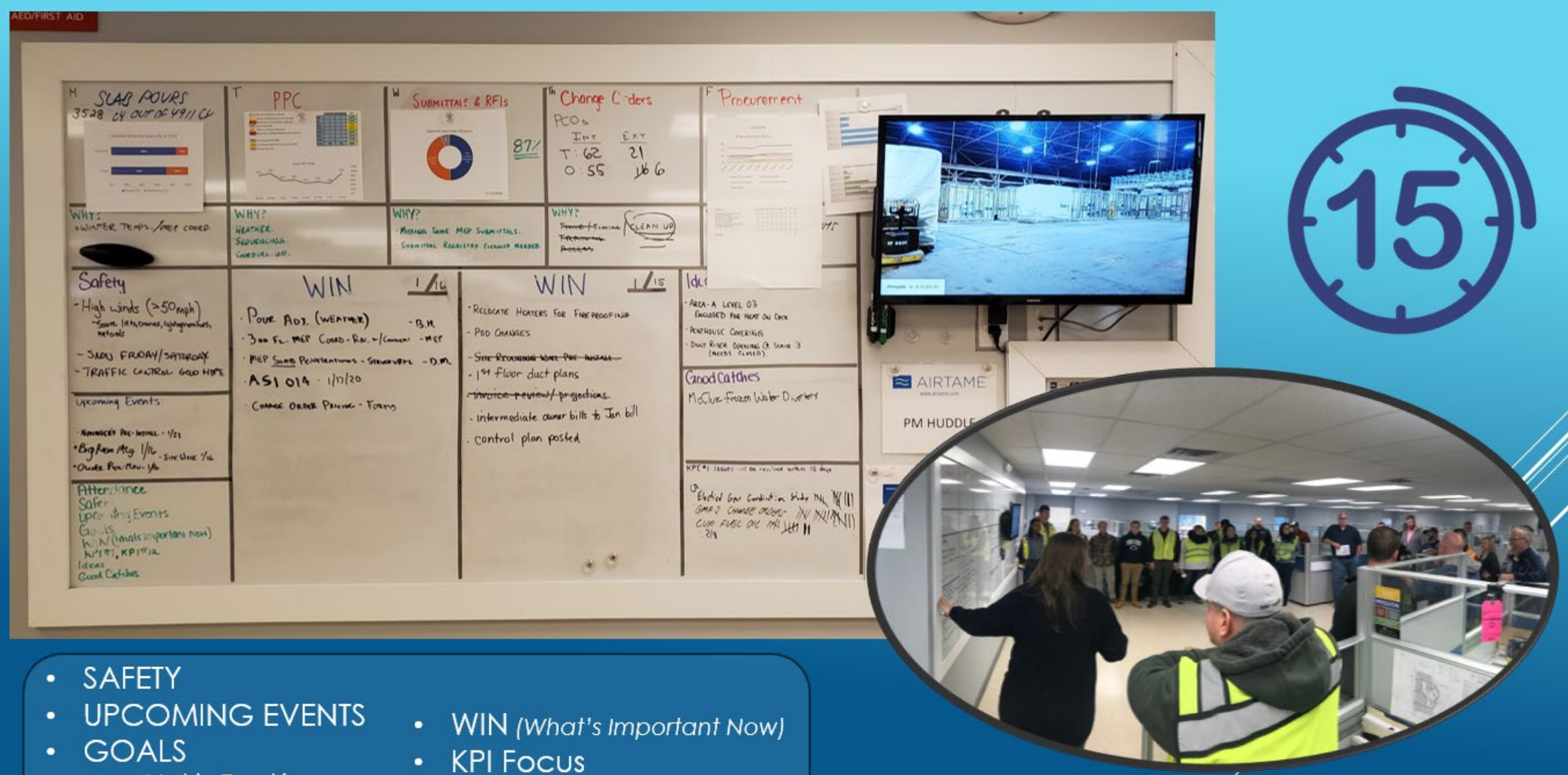
SITE:	HURDLES/ DESIGN DISCUSSIONS	MEP/FP/CUP:
	Remaining Utility Coordination	Large Chandelier Design
	Oxygen Tank Coordination	Post Fire Smoke Evacuation System
	Fuel Oil Coordination	
	Meter Pit Sumps	
	Landscaping in the fall 2020 /spring 2021	
	Backfill near CUP	
STRUCTURE/ENCLOSURE:		INTERIORS:
	Overhead Boom Support Structure	Porcelain Tile
	Final Roof Equip. Weight Checks	Keying Schedule
	Interior/Overhead Support Steel	Finalizing Door Hardware
	MEP Penetration Coordination	(electrical/security)
	Misc. Final Detailing	Floor Plan Changes
	Enclosure Testing	OR Ceiling
	Roofing / Exterior Cold Formed in Progress	Pest Control
	Dry-In Constraint Removal	Glass Railing @ Tear Drop
PREFAB:		
	Interior AHU Piping	
	Rooftop ductwork	





# Daily Huddles

- Standard agenda
- Anyone can run
- Safety
- Metrics (each day)
- Why?
- WIN
- Ideas
- Kudos



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**HUDDLE BOARDS**

- SAFETY
- UPCOMING EVENTS
- GOALS
  - Metric Tracking
  - WHY? Analysis
- WIN (What's Important Now)
- KPI Focus
- IDEAS
- GOOD CATCHES





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A JOINT VENTURE

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<b>Method Name:</b>	Daily Huddles	<b>Champion(s) Name:</b>
		Larry D./ Greg M./ Em

<b>Date:</b>	6/4/2019
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<b>Goal(s):</b>
Speed to Market      RollUp Information from Huddle into the Last Planner System
Strong Team Communication      Trackable Metrics
<i>Accountability, Creates Culture of Team Collaboration</i>
To Resolve Issues Quickly, Bring to attention      Standard Agenda
Celebrate Win, Good Catches

<b>Metric(s):</b>	<b>Responsible Party</b>
Effective Communication (not sure how to track?)      Team Health      5 Whys	Jeff Work Sessions
Have past constraints been resolved, or are they still outstanding? Log/trackin	Jeff Work Sessions
Attendance      Tracking early Issues and resolution thru huddles      Tracking issues that creat	Jeff Work Sessions
Short goals, not bogging team down with out of reach goal timeframes/ Onboarding Succ	Jeff Work Sessions

<b>Customer(s):</b>
Superintendents/ Project Management (BMA) and Subcontractor Management

<b>Education Plan:</b>			
Level	Who?	When?	How?
Facilitator		asap	LCI webinars, LCI Books, BM LC Facilitator/Trainer (Jeff Creighton)
Tracker (Monitor of Daily Huddle Issues)	Participants of Huddle		

<b>TASK BREAKDOWN</b>	<b>Responsible Party</b>	<b>Milestone</b>
Create the standard agenda	Superintendents (PM's)	
Define the metrics on the huddle board	Any project team member	
Create the Huddle Board	Larry D/ Em	
Identify the location for the Huddle Board	Larry D/ Em	
Identify a process for how constraints will be resolved	Any project team member	
Establish a cadence for how often the huddle meets	Larry D/ Em/ Greg M	

<b>Communication Plan:</b>
White board, huddle board
Report/notes developed at the end of each huddle and saved on Box
Picture of huddle board saved on Box

<b>Related Methods and Strategies:</b>
Last Planner System
Work Cluster Groups
Visual Management
Onboarding
Gemba Walks/ 6S Observations

<b>Continuous Improvement:</b>
Plus/Deltas (Good Catches)
Evaluation of the processes that have been developed for the Huddle Board - are they working? Do they need revised?
Team feedback
5 Why Analysis

# Daily Huddles

Play video

# Resources

# LEAN DEPLOYMENT PLANNING GUIDE

## DESIGNING YOUR LEAN JOURNEY FOR A PROJECT



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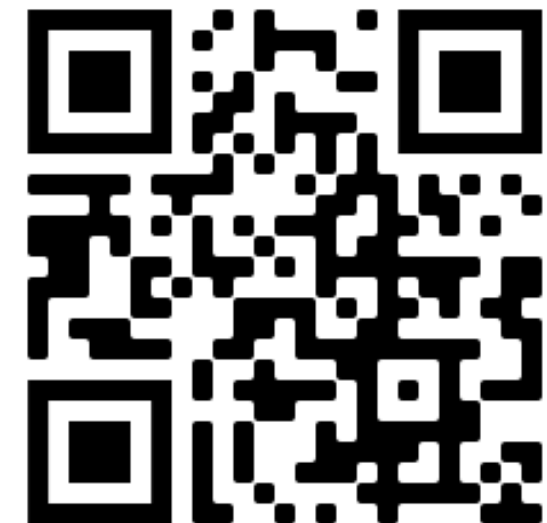
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# Summary and Lessons from Hampden Medical Center Project





# Current Progress: Hampden Project

Building handed  
over to Owner  
May 2021

First Patient –  
October 1, 2021





# Happy Client! Lancaster Project

Project Started One  
Year After Hampden

Set To Open  
Summer 2022

\$240M  
Greenfield Hospital





# How can I apply this to my project?

- ✓ Start with Lean Deployment Guide Day 1
- ✓ Identify Lean Champion Early; Champions by Method
- ✓ Support by Owner and Leadership
- ✓ Be deliberate with onboarding process and have continuous training
- ✓ Don't take on too much – do what's right for your project
- ✓ Continually promote a Lean culture
- ✓ Go slow to go fast and take time to plan

# Insights

- Start with 'Why', followed by 'How', and then 'What'
- Be proactive versus reactive
- What matters should be measured and what is measured should matter
- Focus on continuous improvement
- Delivery method can significantly impact implementation
- Training and coaching are core parts of the planning and implementation
- Challenging to institutionalize within an organization



# Questions?




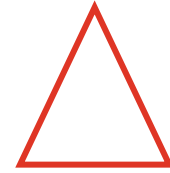
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Conduct a Plus/Delta

Capture on a flip pad or white board:

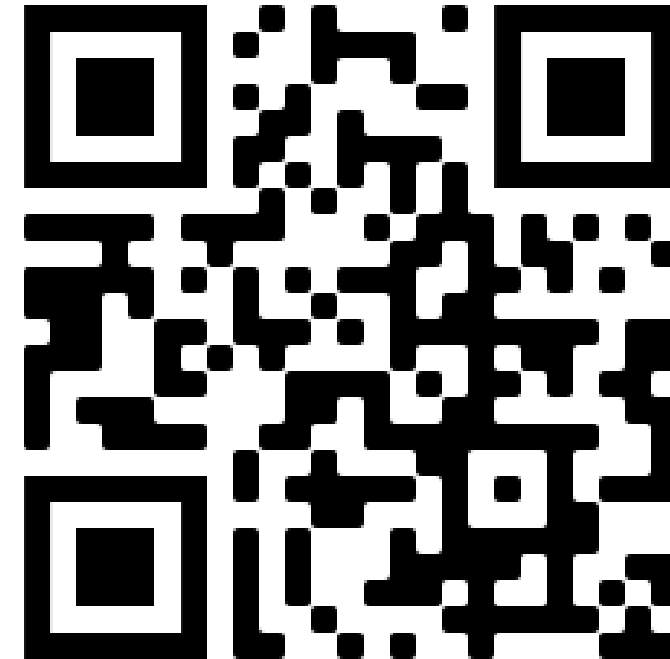
**Plus:** What produced value during the session?

**Delta:** What could we change to improve the process or outcome?

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- Introduction to Lean Project Delivery
- Lean in the Design Phase
- Effective Big Room
- Target Value Delivery



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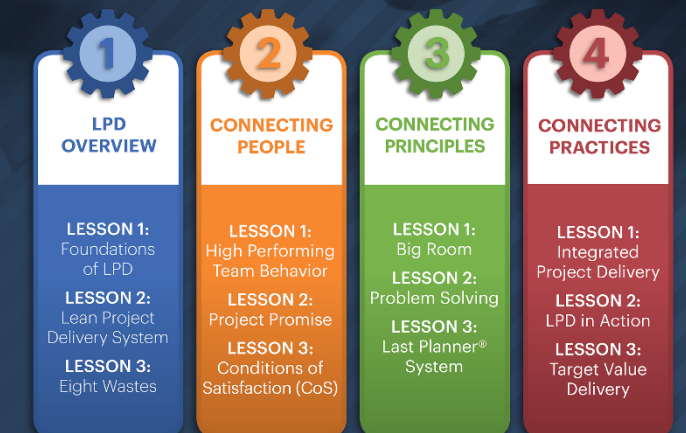
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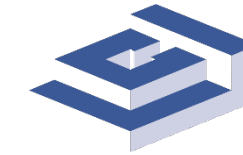
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## INTRODUCTION TO LEAN PROJECT DELIVERY

The key achievable goal of this course is to prepare and enable team members with a foundational understanding of Lean approaches for daily use within a project environment.





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