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Project Define

- Project definition statements
- SIPOC process diagramming
- Planning the project schedule and participation

Project Measure

• Identifying primary metric performance (predictability and capability)

Control charting of business level metrics (high level outputs of continuous and attribute data)

Distribution analysis and transformations of data

Capability assessments (continuous and attributes)

Rolled Throughput Yield

Pareto chart

- Identification of Quick Fix (Low Hanging Fruit) issues
- Process flow charting

High level charting

Detailed process charting

• Lean assessment tools

Value Stream Map

Spaghetti diagrams

Combination work charts

Work Flow Analysis

Physical flow maps

Transaction flow analysis

5S

General Lean concepts

Value added/ Non-value added analysis

Time value mapping

Logic flow diagrams

Takt time analysis

- Theory of Constraints analysis
- Data collection and sampling methods

Conducting surveys

• Measurement System Analysis

Attribute gauge analysis

Decision system analysis

Continuous gauge analysis

• Wisdom of the Organization

Process mapping

Benchmarking

Affinity diagrams

Brainstorming (Cause and Effect Diagram)

Why-Why diagrams (fault tree diagrams)

Prioritization matrixes (Cause and Effect Matrix)

Failure Modes and Effects Analysis (FMEA)

 Measure Phase Coaching/Mentoring Session reviewing Measure Phase topics and project progress.

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Project Analyze Phase

- Basic Statistics (t, z, f.... testing)
- Extensive Minitab charting techniques for insight into performance data Box plots, Dot plots, Time Series plots, Individual Value plots
- Simple regression
- Multiple regression
- Simple one way Analysis of Variance (ANOVA) for comparing multiple groups
- Multiple factor ANOVA
- Distribution analysis
- Logistic regression (attribute or pass/fail response)
- Analyze Phase coaching/mentoring session reviewing Analyze Phase topics and project progress.

Project Improve Phase

- Factorial and fractional factorial Design of Experiments (DOE)
- DOE for variation reduction
- DOE for data collection (as part of analyze effort)
- Solution selection methods
- Lean improvement methods

Kaizen improvement events

5S improvements

Pull systems

Future Value Stream Mapping

Visual controls

Cellular flow

Process flow improvement (pull, supermarkets, pace maker management)

Kanban implementation

Flow leveling (balancing)

Constraint analysis

Total Productive Maintenance (TPM) issues

- Improvement plan development
- TRIZ method for innovation
- Reliability analysis
- Improve Phase coaching/mentoring session reviewing Improve Phase topics and project progress.

Project Control Phase

• Control plan development

Documentation and deployment issues

Reaction plans

Continuous performance assessment methods

- Statistical Process Control methods (SPC)
- Implementation planning
- Deployment of improvement
- Control Phase coaching/mentoring session reviewing Control Phase topics and project progress.

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Other Topics

- Non-parametric statistics
- Capability metrics (Cp, Cpk, Pp, Ppk)