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Learning Objectives

Across this time we will...

- Tactically apply Define, Measure, Analyze, Improve and Control (DMAIC) to link Lean Management System (LMS) strategies to that of the organization via Hoshin Kanri
- Review KPI establishment wrt business strategy
- See how this tool can be applied to any business
- Increase your understanding of how to develop, manage and execute a strategic plan via a Steering Committee...to Control the process

What You Will Walk Away With....





A Definition of Lean

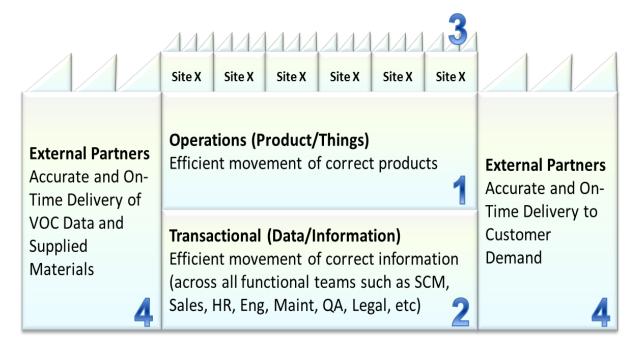


Lean is *FLOW* through pull. It uses an enterprise-wide set of concepts and tools. Lean <u>strengthens</u> an organization's <u>competitive advantage</u> realized from operating its processes





Elements for Lean Success



- 1.Lean "Operations". Effective, Efficient flow of Product/Things
- 2. Transactional systems: Effective, Efficient flow of Data/Information
- 3. Align Product & Transactional Value Streams across the Enterprise
- 4. Incorporate External Partners: Customers, Supply Chain, etc.





Lean & DMAIC: Strategically

Define

External/Internal customer needs are identified ("Interested Parties")

Measure

Determine required KPIs. Identify necessary performance levels

Analyze

Investigate causes for KPI gaps from performance to target. Create a plan

Improve

Execute the improvements identified. Use tools to fit the problem

Control

Monitor the results. Hold gains via accountability





Define

It isn't what we don't know that gives us trouble, it's what we know that ain't so

Will Rogers





"Interested Party*" Strategies

Customer

People that use the end product/service

Stakeholder

Personnel that invest in the organization (stockholders, investors)

Employee

Personnel that run the organization. May be paid or voluntary

Supplier

Businesses/donors that provide goods and services usually for a fee

Community

Local organizational. Surroundings. Environment, tax-base...





Interested Party Worksheet

Customer	
Stakeholder	
Employee	
Supplier	
Community	



Interested Party Needs

Customers, Stakeholders, Employees, Suppliers and the Community: What are their strategic, business, and governance needs?

External	Internal						
Social	Governance/Strategic Objectives						
Cultural	Organization Structure						
Political	Rules/Authorities						
Legal	Policies						
Regulatory	Resources: Capital						
Financial	Resources: Human						
Technological	Resources: Time						
Economic	Technological						
Natural Environment	IT/Infrastructure						
Competition: National/Intl	Culture						
Trends	Contractual Relationships						
Stakeholder Relationships	Information Flows						





What Do Interested Parties Want?

Who	What Do They Want?	How Do You Know?
Customer	Customer Specific Requirements (CSRs), Purchase Orders, Prints, etc	
Stakeholder	SMT\$ (Show Me The Money), Sales/Growth, Conversion, etc	Strategic Plan, Governance directives
Employee	Security, Safety, Engagement, etc	Surveys, discussion
Supplier	Orders/Growth, on-time payment, reliability, etc.	Surveys, discussion
Community	Social responsibility, compliance, tax-base, etc	Regulatory criteria, Chamber of Commerce, etc

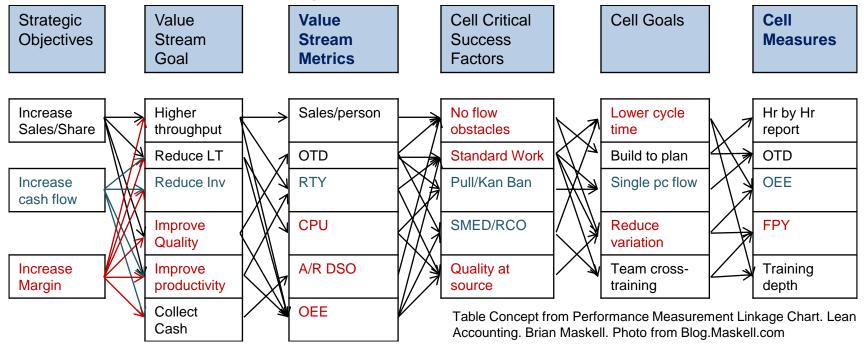




Linking KPIs



KPIs need to matter. One method is to start from the strategy and create the linkage to the cell. See the X-Matrix for a graphical type of format.





Linking KPI Worksheet

Create a horizontal linkage matrix for the following strategy: Increase Customer Satisfaction

Strategic Objectives Value Stream Goal Value Stream Metrics Cell Critical Success Factors

Cell Goals

Cell Measures





The "X-Matrix"

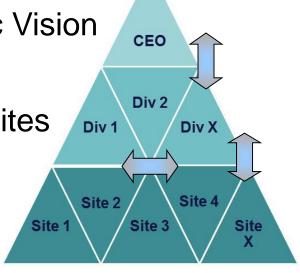
A Process to convert *Strategy* to *Reality* by using both horizontal and vertical alignment in the organization

CEO's 3-5 year Strategic Vision

Planning across Division(s).

Vertically supports CEO and Sites

Site planning. One year tactics to support and execute the strategy

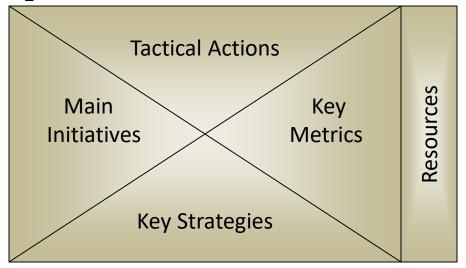


aka...HOSHIN KANRI





Sample X-Matrix Format



Bottom: Key strategies. Use a "SMART" format

Left: Initiatives on HOW to achieve the objectives

Top: TACTICAL actions to execute the initiatives

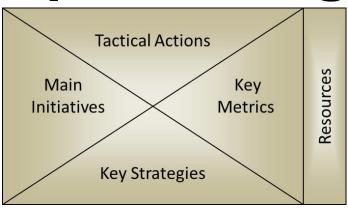
Right: Key METRICS used to monitor results

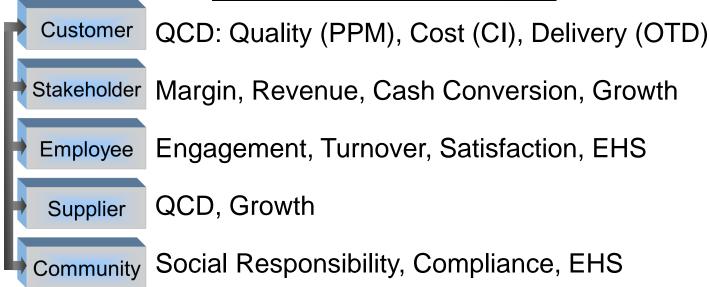
Far Right: WHO has line item responsibility





Sample Strategies









X-Matrix Worksheet

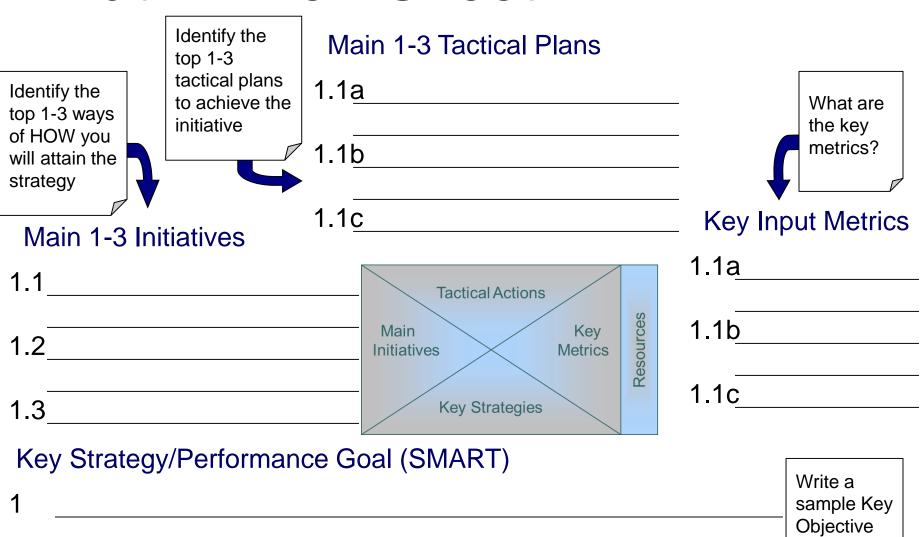
Key Strategy Examples...

- 1. Increase margin by 5% by 4Q
- 2. Increase sales revenue by 10% by 4Q
- 3. Increase organic growth by 5% by 4Q (existing business)
- 4. Increase inorganic growth by 5% by 4Q (new products)
- 5. Increase New Produce Introduction (NPI) rate by 10% by 4Q
- 6. Grow market share from 15% to 20% by 4Q
- 7. Reduce warranty expenses by 25% by 4Q
- Reduce internal rejects by 25% by 4Q
- Reduce lead time from 7 days to 5 days by 4Q
- 10. Reduce supplier reject rate by 50% (20K DPPM to 10K)
- 11. Improve customer satisfaction score by 20% by 4Q
- 12. Reduce recordable safely incidents by 50% by 4Q
- 13. Increase employee morale by 10% by 4Q



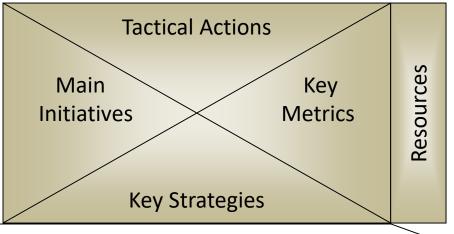


X-Matrix Worksheet





Define "SMART" Strategies



Select your strategy

Key Strategy/Performance Goal (SMART)

~6-8 Key Strategies

• Improve Margin by 5% points by 4Q. Increase of \$250K

While developing the Key Strategies, multiple tools may be used such as SWOT, VOC, etc. Consider a "multi-customer" approach to support organizational robustness



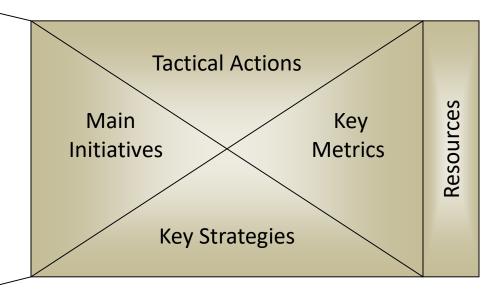


Develop Initiatives

~1-3 Main Initiatives per Strategy

- Reduce Warranty losses. \$150K
- Reorganize Product Portfolios \$100K





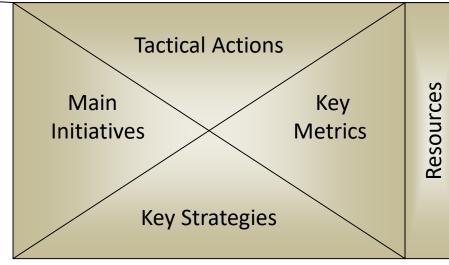
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Develop Tactics

- ~1-3 Tactical Plans per Initiative
- Implement Warranty Team. Conduct CA/PA.
- Conduct FMEA/CP Reviews on loss leaders
- Conduct VSM on Portfolio. Rationalize
- Reorganize Product Portfolios \$100K
- Reduce Warranty losses. \$150K



Main 1-3 Tactical Plans
1.1a
1.1b
1.1c

Improve Margin 5% by 4Q: Increase of \$250K



Leading & Lagging KPIs

Lagging KPIs are usually results to upper management. Work to identify and manage leading KPIs that will affect these results

Leading		Lagging Metrics									
Metrics	OTD	PPM	COPQ	\$Conversion							
OEE: Operational Equipment Effectiveness	+	+	+	+							
RTY: Rolled Throughput Yield	+	+	+	+							
%Cpk: Processes Capable of Meeting >=1.33	+	+	+	+							
MTBF: Mean Time Between Failure	+		+	+							
C/A %Repeat: Repeating Complaints		+	+								
Training Depth: Personnel Skill Levels		+	+								
Linearity: Production Schedule Attainment	+		+	+							
C/A TTC: Time to Close Corrective Actions		+	+	+							



KPI Correlation Worksheet

Lagging metrics are usually upper management inputs. Identify and manage **leading** metrics to **impact** those results

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Example Leading Metrics								

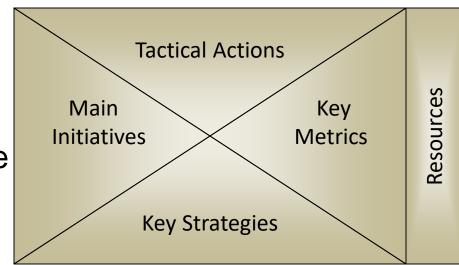
- 1. Identify your top 3-4 lagging indicators
- 2. Draft in relevant leading indicators based on your business/industry
- Assess for correlations





Develop KPIs

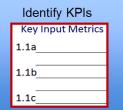
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Improve Margin by 5% points by 4Q: Increase of \$250K

KPIs

- Margin
- Warranty
- Family Portfolio Margins



Who: Joe

Who: Tom

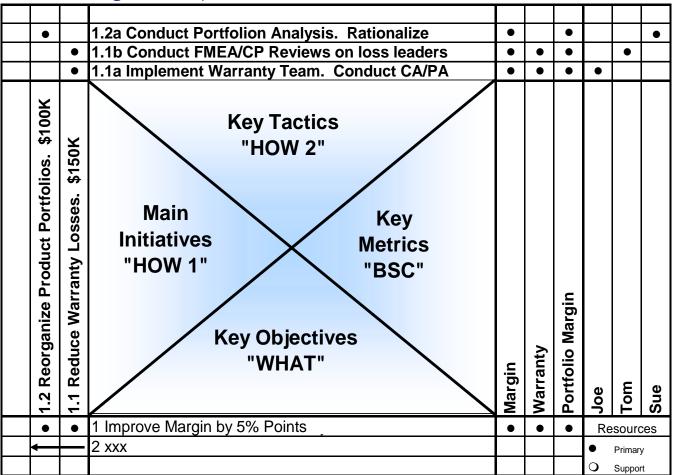
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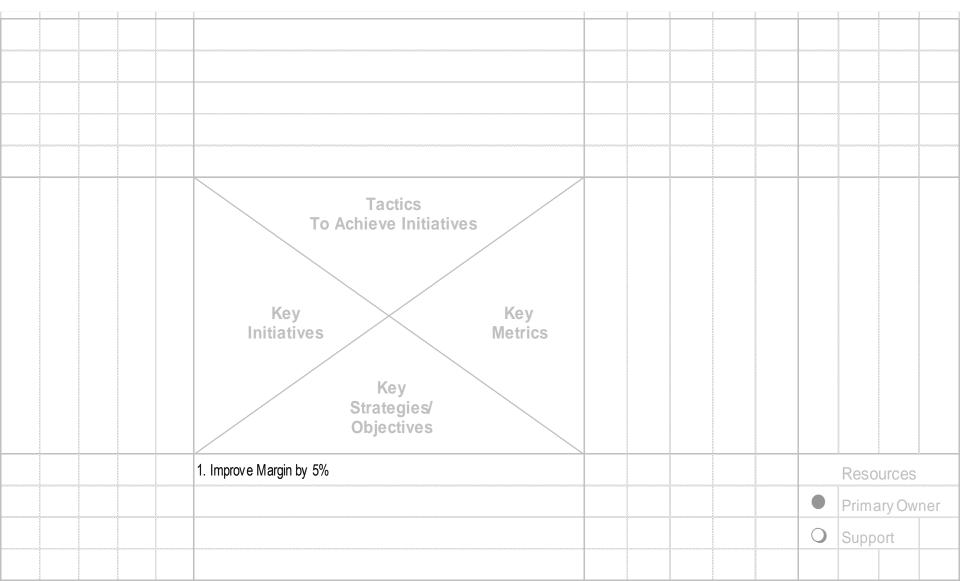
An X-Matrix...How It Looks

X-Matrix: Organization, Year





X-Matrix Worksheet...Your Turn





Example: ASQ QMD Non-Profit

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ASQ QMD: Results

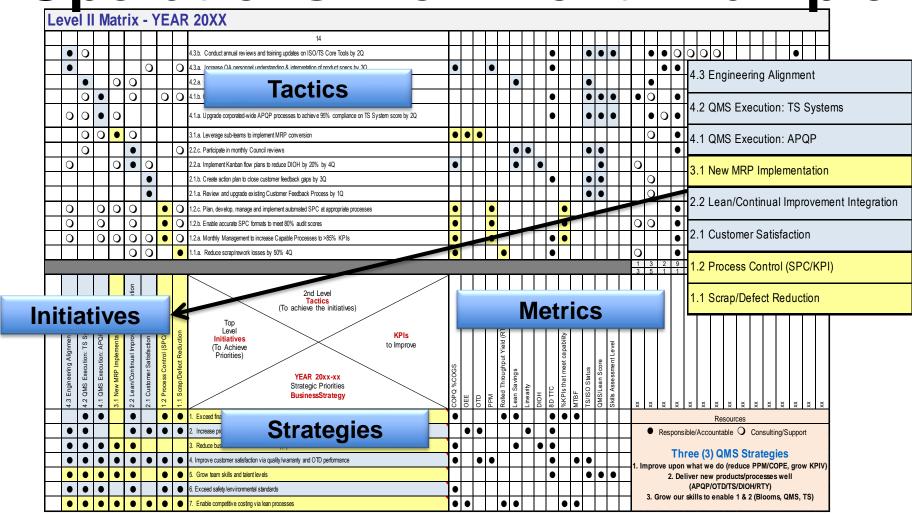
- Largest quality professional organization in the world at > 21,000 global members
- Largest division in ASQ of >70,000 global members
- Most touch points (member-valued interactions) of any division at >30/year

A Non-Profit Organization



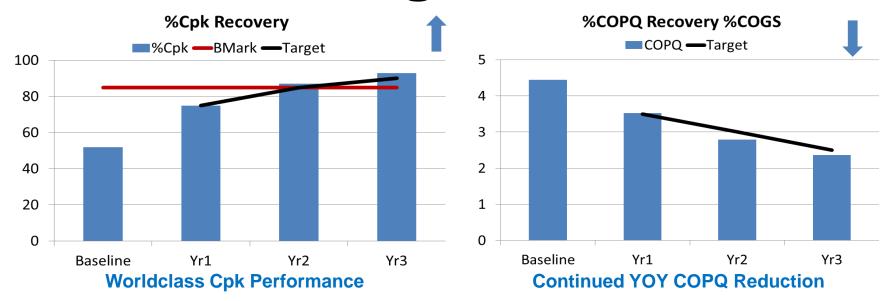


Operations: For Profit Example





It Must Be Right for It to Flow



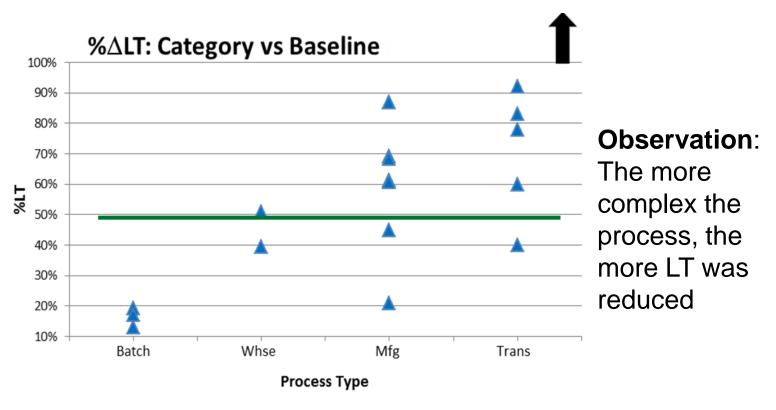
Leverage a three-point QLMS strategy:

- 1. Correct issues that are causing losses. %Cpk/COPQ focus
- 2. Design/Develop new products (NPI) and processes so that new issues are not "released" causing business losses. DFSS
- 3. Effectively train personnel in two skill sets: A. Corrective Action and B. Preventive, Risk-Based Thinking (RBT)





Flow Means "Go" 50-50-20



- An average reduction of 50% LT had much less working capital
- Enabling the average Productivity to increase by 50%
- And the average CPU to be lowered by more than 20%



Sample VSM: NPI

HR Comm Plan & ee



170 Days

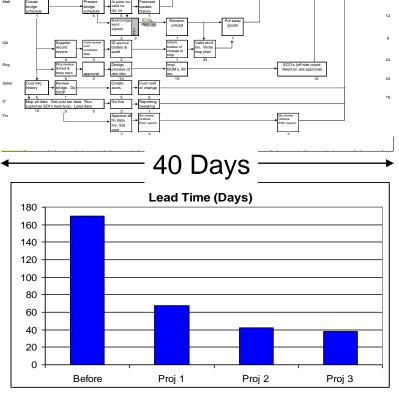
Initiative: Reduce New Product

Introduction Lead Time

Action: Conduct value stream map

review. Implement fixes

Results: 70% Lead time reduction. **Team able to increase NPI output**



After





DMAIC Worksheet

Forms of Waste	Related Wastes	Actions to Improve
Correction		
Overprocessing		
Mess		
Motion		
Inventory		
Transportation		
Not Using Ideas		
Overproduction		
Waiting		



Measure

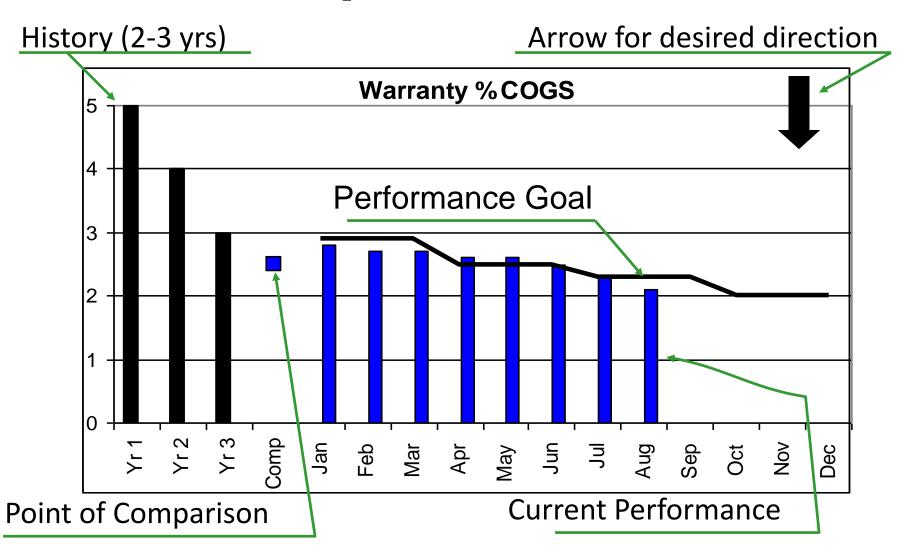
It's not what you pay a person, but what he costs you that counts

Will Rogers

Canadian Manufacturers & Exporters



Sample KPI Format

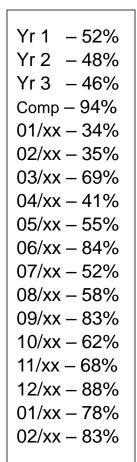


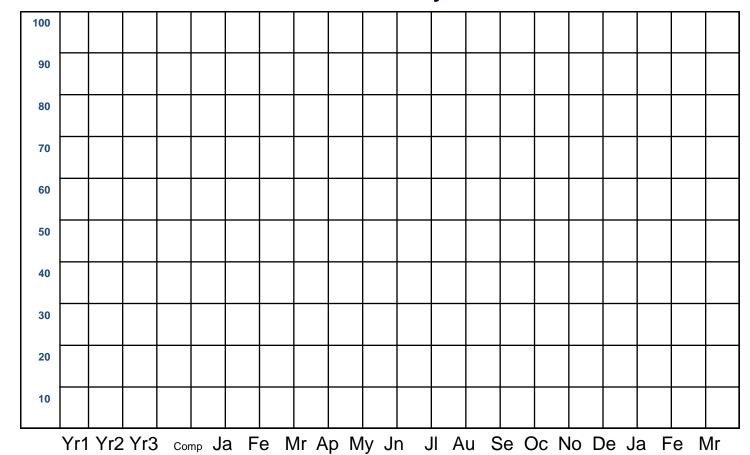


KPI Worksheet

Using the following data, create a sample Business Score Card (BSC) graph. Be sure to incorporate: History data, a comparison, a directional arrow, the goal/target line and current performance

On-Time Delivery: Goal 95%







Analyze

Why not go out on a limb, that's where the fruit is.

Will Rogers





Sample Product Portfolio



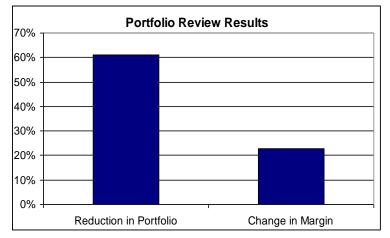


Ex: If targeted margin is 5%, then 8+ Items were meeting the 5% objective before and 14+ were meeting the objective after

Initiative: Improve margin by 5%

Action: Conduct VSM review on portfolio mix. Rationalize products. Continue to prune

Results: 22% Improvement in margin base







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Forms of Waste	Related Wastes	Actions to Improve
Correction		
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Improve

Even if you're on the right track, you'll still get run over if you just sit there.

Will Rogers





Leveraging the X-Matrix

Hoshin Kanri is not the same as Management by Objective (MBO)

Source: Toyota Culture – Jeffrey Liker and Michael Hoseus (2008)

Management by Objective (MBO)	X-Matrix (Hoshin Kanri)
Results-oriented evaluation of effort	Concerned with both results and process of getting those results
Top-down communication	Top-down direction setting and bottom-up flow of information and means
Directive	Participative
Linear (no feedback, no second chance, just start over from scratch each time)	Circular (adds feedback loops (aka Catchball) and cycles of improvement)





Control

People's minds are changed through observation and not through argument

Will Rogers





DMAIC for a Steering Committee

Define

Identify the committee's External/ Internal customer needs

Measure

Identify committee's performance targets

Analyze

Analyze/Plan on how to leverage the committee to meet the targets

Improve

Execute the plan. Use tools to fit the process(es)

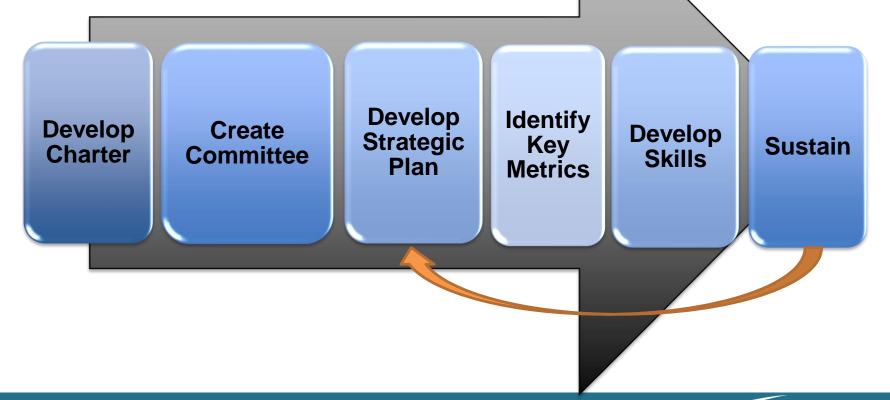
Control

Sustain gains. Enable accountability





Steering Committee Flow Chart





Committee's Charter



Scope: Enterprise-wide Quality & Lean Systems **Objective**: To effect systematic a QLMS to meet business needs & exceed competitor performance

Key Actions: DMAIC

Define: Conduct business-wide baseline analysis. Identify key areas of focus by using strategic planning. Insure horizontal and vertical goal alignment





Key Actions: DMAIC

Measure: Identify key metrics & leading indicators. Improve on metric calibration and effectiveness. Use a transparent approach to meet the objectives

Analyze: Conduct effective system reviews

Improve: Engage employees in the executive of effecting improvement. Share before/after results. Review and improve upon the QLMS skills of the council. Benchmark others

Control: Sustain gains. Share successes/lessons





Assessment, Mission/Vision

Assessment: Identify what type(s) of assessments of the current situation are needed: QLMS Status Tool, Personnel Skills, Effectiveness of Metrics, etc.

Mission: To effectively support the Company in attaining its strategic objectives by using QLMS systems to meet and exceed internal and external customer expectations of delivery, quality and cost **Vision**: To be viewed as Company Champions of the QLMS Implementation





Consistency/Challenges

Consistency of Approach: Grow education base. Leverage QLC for execution of QLMS. Share lessons; internally and externally. Transition from an education to application platform

Challenges: Identify current issues that need to be overcome

Economies of Scale: Align team monthly, conduct Face to Face planning sessions, leverage an Intranet and Visual Operating System (VOS), etc

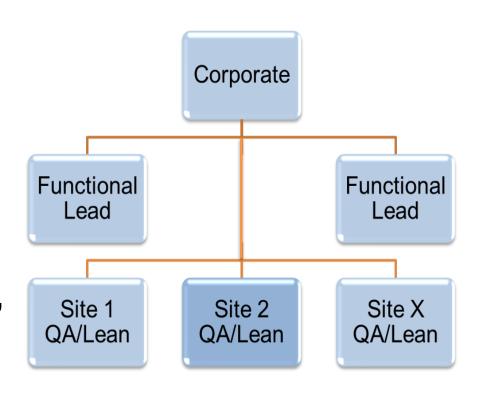




Committee Members

Factors to consider:

- Culture, Locations,
 Globalism
- Breadth/depth of QLMS execution (pilot, enterprise)
- Internal implementation, consultant support, etc.
- QLMS skill levels





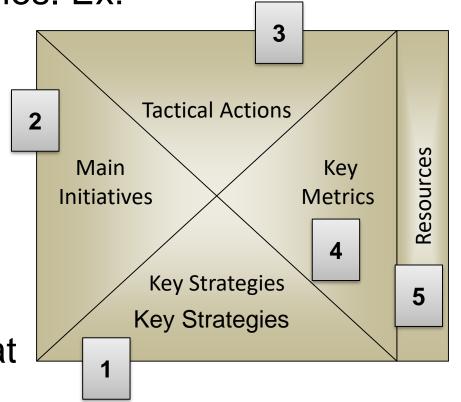


Create an Aligned Strategic Plan

1. Review business strategies. Ex:

Increase margin

- Grow sales revenue
- Develop new products
- 2. Develop aligning QLMS initiatives
- 3. Determine tactics
- 4. Identify key metrics
- 5. Identify who is to do what



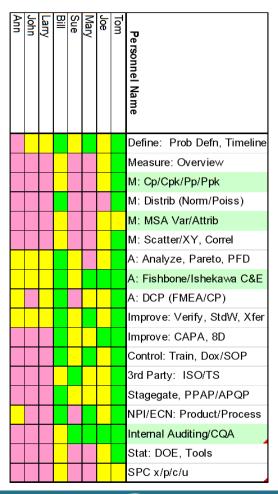




Committee QLMS Skills

Committee skills are key to effective execution; Accelerate learning plan

- Determine key QLMS skills for your business. Assess team
- Implement a training plan
 With this method, you can...
- Identify strengths/weaknesses
- Set individual planning goals
- Tie learning to strategy
- Lead by example



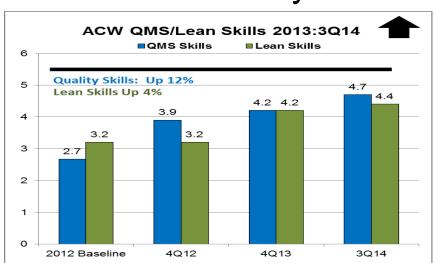




Committee QLMS Skills

Holding the Committee accountable for learning and applying the skills will increase business buy-in





While the committee was learning on live processes, they both improved the systems and their skills





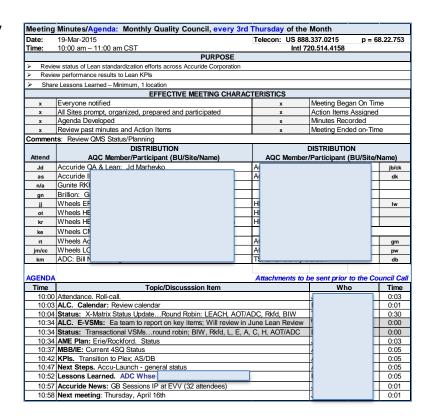
Sustain Committee

Analyze, Improve, Control

- Meet yearly to set strategy
- Check progress to tactics quarterly
- Meet monthly to review performance
- Adjust to business needs

Rules of Engagement

- Agenda/Minutes
- Lessons Learned







Sustain: Hold the Gains

Steering Committees generally experience heavy turnover. To retain effectiveness consider...

- Quarterly alignment to strategic plan
- Partner new members with seasoned personnel

Develop

Charter

Create

Committee

- Standardized & accessible learning material
- Hold KPI accountability via personnel reviews



Develop

Skills

Sustain

Develop

Strategic

Plan

Identify

Key

Metrics



Charter Worksheet; Pg 1 of 2

Area	Notes
Members	
Scope	
Objectives	
Define	
Measure	
Analyze	
Improve	

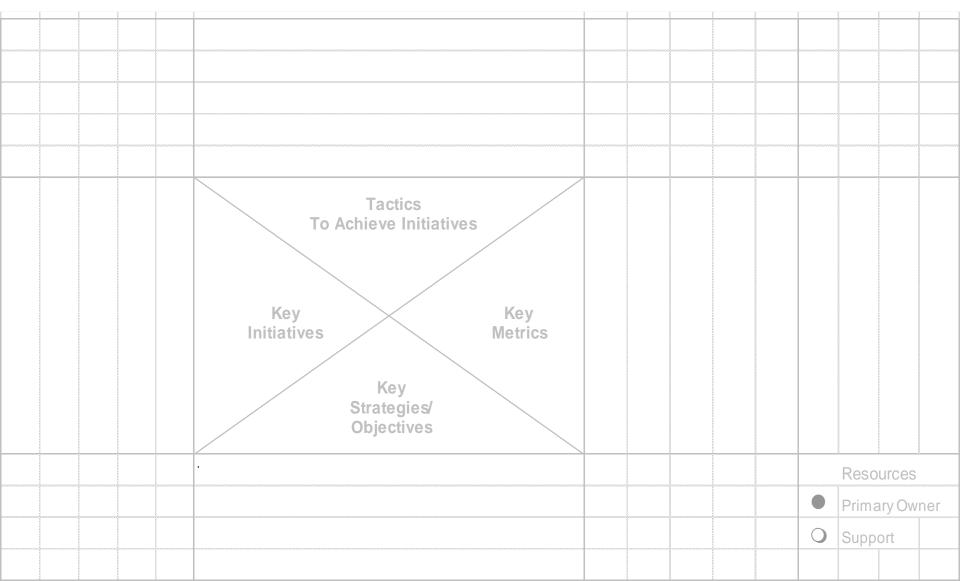


Charter Worksheet; Pg 2 of 2

Area	Notes
Control	
Mission	
Vision	
Challenges	
Approach	
Scale	



X-Matrix Worksheet...Your Turn





We Have Applied Hoshin Kanri

Define

We used an X-Matrix to define our customer needs (internal/external)

Measure

We used an Obeyah flow to determine the KPIs for performance evaluation

Analyze

We used VSM to investigate causes for gaps and created a plan of attack

Improve

We executed improvements and used tools to fit the problem (VSM, TPM, SUR, EP...)

Control

We used a Steering Committee process to execute the flow



What's Next? Get Engaged

- Learn your organization's strategies
- Match those strategies to your objectives
- If they don't match, adjust accordingly
- Share how YOU and your TEAM are making a contributory difference to enabling the strategies to occur
- Demonstrate YOUR relevance!





Thank You!

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Company Quality Council Charter



	Eng Name	Site 1 IT Name	Site 2 IT Name	Site 3 IT Name	Site 4 IT Name	Site 5 IT Name
ouncil (QLC)	SCM Name	Site 1 Eng Name	Site 2 Eng Name	Site 3 Eng Name	Site 4 Eng Name	Site 5 Eng Name
Company Quality/Lean Council (QLC)	Lean Name	Site 1 Lean Name	Site 2 Lean Name	Site 3 Lean Name	Site 4 Lean Name	Site 5 Lean Name
Cor	QA Name	Site 1 QAM Name	Site 2 QAM Name	Site 3 QAM Name	Site 4 QAM Name	Site 5 QAM Name
	Corporate	Site QA &	Lean Leaders.	Other key (members	

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Scope		Company's Quality and Lean Management Systems, Enterprise-wide
Objectiv	/es/	Objectives/ To support and effect a systematic methodology of deploying the Quality and Lean Management System
Delivera	ables	Deliverables to meet the customer expectations and exceed competitor performance and corporate requirements
Key Act	ions	Key Actions Define: Conduct Lean and Quality Management System baseline analysis across the business. Utilize
•		X-Matrix strategic planning methods to identify key areas in which to focus improvements and/or to close
		gaps. Insure horizontal and vertical alignment on the goals and objectives
		Measure: Identify Quality and Lean based KPIs focusing on leading indicators. Refine and improve the
		calibration and effectiveness of the KPIs and align them to the business strategies. Continue to use a
		dashboard approach to meet delivery, quality, cost and safety
		Analyze: Conduct focused and effective system reviews using QMS and Lean methodologies.
		Improve: Engageour employees in the application and execution of effecting improvements.
		Demonstrate before and after results. Regularly review and improve upon the Quality and Lean Science
		skills of our Council members. Benchmark the systems of others to further our knowledge base.
		Control: Sustain gains. Share successes and Lessons Learned (LL)

QLC Mission: To effectively support the Company in attaining its strategic goals and objectives by using Quality and Lean Management Systems and methodologies to help the business meet and exceed both intemal and external customer expectations of delivery, quality, cost and safety

QLC Vision: To be viewed by Accuride employees as Champions of Quality System Implementation and

in the bench strength of QLC members is needed based on key quality science skills levels. Standardized systems have been conducted across all core locations. An enterprise-wide improvement plan will need to be developed for execution. Leading KPIs have been developed for review and baselines are being established. A focused growth Assessment of Quality & Lean Functions: The team will execute through a Council. Baseline assessments are being reviewed for gaps as well as the opportunity to build upon existing foundations.

indicator KPIs need to be developed. Overall, need to focus on and manage scrap due to lack of process control backgrounds, and ability to execute quality and lean systems. IT/Data systems are needed for effective data collection and rapid analysis. *Internal* 8D/CAPA systems need to be developed at most locations. Leading Challenges: Team members are at different levels of quality and lean science skill sets, applicational and system losses due to lack of material flow control. There is a need to manage cultural change. Consistency of Approach: Grow baseline education and establish goals. Utilize QLC to leverage execution of core processes. Share lessons learned; internally and externally. Create a plan to transfer from a platform of education to one of application with measured results. Leveraging Economies of Scale: Utilize monthly, web-based telecons for team alignment, Conduct bi-annual Face to Face (F2F) strategic plannings essions. Leverage F2F sessions to growskills and align resources. Leverage the Intranet for shared processes and documents. Publish/Share benchmarking activities across the business. Standardize quality and lean Visual Operating System documents/processes as feasible Face to Face (F2F) strategic plannings essions.



Resources

There are hundreds of excellent books/tools/sites, etc. Here are few that I have used as recent references:

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- ASQ Quality Management Division. ASQ-QM.org.
- ASQ org
- AME.org
- Lean Enterprise Institute (LEI) at Lean.org
- Superfactory.com
- Hoshin Kanri for the Lean Enterprise. Developing Competitive Capabilities and Managing Profit. Thomas L. Jackson
- The Lean Pocket Guide: National Association of Job Shops and Small Manufacturers (NAJS)
- From Good to Great. Jim Collins
- The Tipping Point. How Little Things can make a big Difference. Malcolm Gladwell
- Blink. The Power of Thinking without Thinking. Malcolm Gladwell
- Toyota Production System. Beyond Large Scale Production. Taichii Ohno
- The Toyota Way. Jeffrey Liker
- The Executive Guide to Understanding and Implementing the Baldrige Criteria. Leonard & McGuire
- The Executive Guide to Understanding and Implementing Lean Six Sigma. Meisel, Babb, Marsh, Schlichting

