# PROJECT MANAGEMENT

Topic 14

**Quality & Comunications** 

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#### Introduction

- ❖ Project quality management includes the process required to ensure that the project satisfies the needs for which it is undertaken.
- \* PQM includes all the activities of the overall management function that determine the quality policy, objectives, and responsibilities and implement them within the quality system.

### **Implementation of PQM**

- 1. QUALITY PLANING
- 2. QUALITY ASSURANCE
- 3. QUALITY CONTROL
- \* These processes interact with each other as well as with the processes of other knowledge areas
- \* Each process involves an effort of one or more individual or group of individuals based on the need of the project.
- \* Each process occurs at least once in every project phase during the project life cycle.

### 1. QUALITY PLANNING

Quality Planning is identifying which quality standards are relevant to the project and determining how to satisfy them

#### 2. QUALITY ASSURANCE

Quality assurance is evaluating the overall project performance on a regular basis to provide a confidence that the project will satisfy the relevant quality standards.

### 3. QUALITY CONTROL

Quality Control is the monitoring of specific project results to determine if they comply with the relevant quality standards and identifying ways to eliminate causes of unsatisfactory performance.

#### PROJECT QUALITY MANAGEMENT

#### **QUALIT PLANNING**

#### 1- INPUTS

- -Quality policy
- -Scope statement
- -Product description
- -Standards and regulations
- -Other process outputs

#### 2- TOOLS AND TECH.

- -benefit/ cost analysis
- -Benchmarking
- -Flowcharting
- -Design of experiments

#### **3- OUTPUTS**

- -Quality management plan
- -Operational definitions
- -checklists
- -Inputs to other processes

#### **QUALITY ASSURANCE**

#### 1- INPUTS

- -Quality management plan
- -result of quality control measurements
- -Operational definitions

#### 2- TOOLS AND TECH.

- -Quality planning tools and techniques
- -Quality audits

#### **3- OUTPUTS**

-Quality improvement

#### **QUALITY CONTROL**

#### 1- INPUTS

- -work results
- -quality management plan
- -Operational definitions
- -checklists

#### 2- TOOLS AND TECH.

- -inspection
- -Control charts
- -Pareto diagrams
- -Statistical sampling
- -flowcharting
- -Trend analysis

#### **3- OUTPUTS**

- -Quality improvement
- -Acceptance decisions
- -rework
- -Completed checklist
- -Process adjustment

### **PQM Approach**

- compatible with ISO 9000 and 1000 series of standard guidelines
- Proprietary approaches to quality as recommended by Deming,
  Juran, and Crosby, and others.
- \* Nonproprietary approaches such as TQM, Continuous improvement approaches and others.

### **Common understanding**

Quality management should complement modern project management as they both recognize the importance of.

- 1- Customer satisfaction
- 2- Prevention over inspection
- 3- Management responsibility
- 4- Processes within phases

(Plan - Do - Check - Act cycle)

- Quality Planning involves identifying with quality standards
- ☐ It is a key facilitating process during the Project planning Process
- □ In modern quality management quality is planned in and not inspected in
- □ Prior to the development of ISO 9000 series, quality planning concepts were widely discussed as part of quality assurance.

## **Quality planning Flowchart**

#### TOOLS & **INPUTS OUTPUTS TECHNIQUES** 1- Benefit/ cost 1-Quality Management 1-Quality policy analysis plan 2- Scope statement 2- Benchmarking 2- operational; **3- Product description** definitions **3- flowcharting** 4- Standards and 3- checklists regulations 4- Design of experiments 4-inputs to other **5- Other process** processes outputs

#### **INPUTS**

### **Quality policy**

- □ The over all intentions and direction of an organization with regard to quality, as formally expressed by the top management
- In the case of a joint venture, a quality policy for the individual project should be developed
- □ The management team is responsible for dissipating the quality policy to all project stakeholders through appropriate information distribution channels.

#### **INPUTS**

### **Scope Statement**

The scope statement is a key input to quality planning because it documents major project deliverables as well as project objectives which serve to define important stakeholder requirements.

### **Product description**

Although the elements of the product description may be embodied in the scope statement, the product description often contains details of technical issues and other concerns that may affect quality planning.

#### **INPUTS**

### **Standards and Regulations**

The project management team any application-area-specific standards or regulations that may affect the project.

### **Other Process Outputs**

In addition to the scope statement and product description, processes in other knowledge areas may produce outputs that should be considered as part of the quality planning

Example: procurement planning outputs may identify contractor quality requirements that should be reflected in the overall Quality Management Plan.

### **TOOLS & TECHNIQUES**

#### Benefit / cost analysis

- □ The planning process must consider benefit/cost tradeoffs
- □ The Primary Benefit: Is less work, higher productivity, lower costs, and increased stakeholder satisfaction
- □ The Primary Cost: Is the expanses associated with PQM activities

Note: it is elementary that the benefit should outweigh the cost.

### **TOOLS & TECHNIQUES**

#### **Benchmarking**

Benchmarking involves comparing actual or planned project practices to those of other projects to generate ideas to:

- 1- Generate ideas for improvement
- 2- provide a standard for measurement of performance

**Note**: other projects compared may be within the same organization or out side and may be within the same application area or in another.

### **TOOLS & TECHNIQUES**

### Flow charting

- □ The flowcharting techniques in quality management generally include
  - Cause and effect diagram
  - System or process flow charts
- □ Flowcharting can help in anticipating probable quality problems and thus helps to develop approaches for dealing with them.

### **TOOLS & TECHNIQUES**

### **Design of Experiments**

- □ This is an analytical technique which aims to define variables that have most influence on the overall outcome
- □ This technique is commonly applicable to the product of the project issues.
- However this technique can also be used in project management issues such as cost and schedule tradeoffs to allow for optima solutions.

#### **OUTPUTS**

### **Quality Management Plan**

- □ The quality management plan should describe how a project management team will implement its quality policy
- □ Also called Quality System, (in ISO terminology), the plan should define:
  - The organizational structure
  - Roles and responsibilities
  - \* Resources needed for implementation of quality management

#### **OUTPUTS**

**Quality Management Plan** (cont')

The Quality Plan should address:

- Quality Control of the project
- Quality Assurance
- Quality Improvement of the project

Note: the project quality plan can be highly detailed or broadly framed based on the needs of the project.

#### **OUTPUTS**

### **Operational Definitions**

An operational definition describes what something is and how it is measured by the quality control process. For example:

- \* The project management team must indicate the start and end of every activity in a detailed schedule
- Weather the whole activity or certain deliverables are to be measured

Operational definitions are also called *Metrics* in some areas of application.

#### **OUTPUTS**

#### **Checklists**

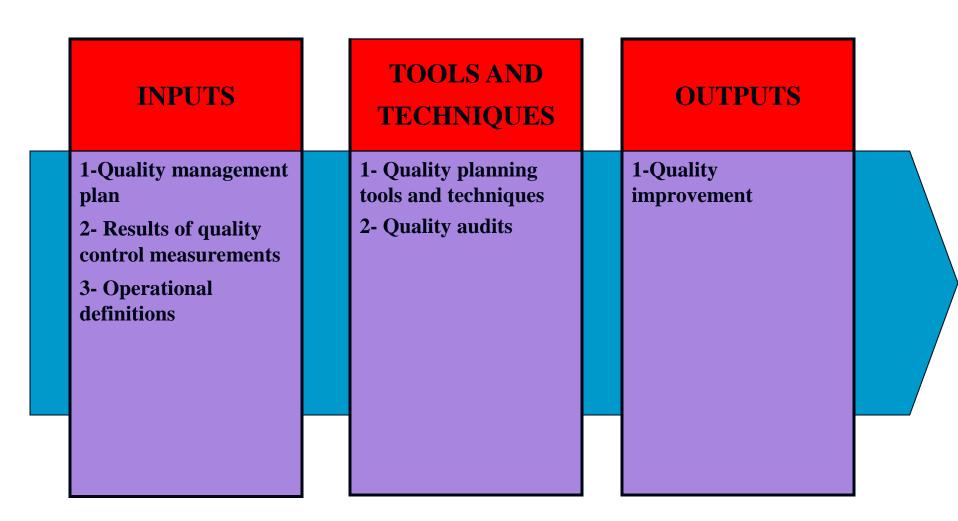
- A checklist is a structured tool used to verify that a set of required steps or requirements have been performed.
- Many organizations have standard checklists to ensure consistency of frequently performed activities

### **Inputs To Other Processes**

The quality planning process may identify need for further activity in another area.

- Quality assurance encompasses all the planned and systematic activity implemented in a quality system to provide confidence that the project will satisfy the relevant quality standards
- Quality assurance is provided by a Quality Assurance dept.
- □ Quality assurance can be INERNAL (from the project management team to the performing organization)
- Quality assurance can be EXTERNAL (provided to the customer and other parties actively involved in the work of the project.

## **Quality Assurance Flowchart**



#### **INPUTS**

- Quality management plan as previously described
- Results of quality control measurements which are records of quality control testing and measurement in a format of comparison or analysis
- □ Operational definitions as previously described in the output of the Quality Planning.

### **TOOLS & TECHNIQUES**

- Quality Planning tools and techniques, which can be used for quality assurance as well
- Quality Audits which are a structured review of other quality management activities.
  - They may be timely or carried out randomly
  - \* They may be carried out by properly trained Internalauditors or by third parties such as quality systems registration agencies.

#### **OUTPUTS**

### **Quality Improvement**

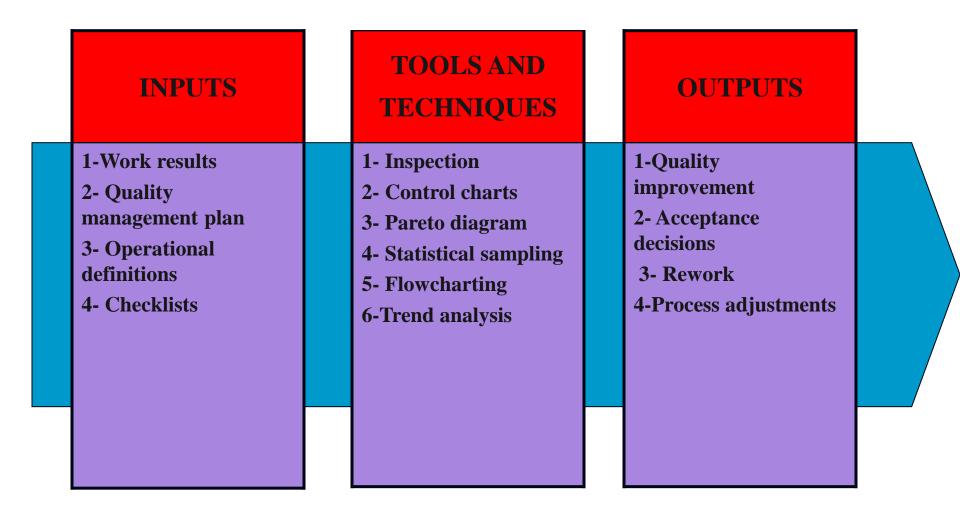
- Quality improvement includes taking action to increase the effectiveness and efficiency of the project to be provide added benefits to the stakeholders of that project.
- □ In many cases the implementation of quality improvements will require preparation of change requests or taking corrective actions and will be handled according to procedure for overall change control.

- Quality control involves monitoring specific project results to determine if they comply with relevant standards and identifying ways to eliminate causes of unsatisfactory results.
- Project results mentioned include both PRODUCT results such as deliverables and MANAGEMENT results such as cost and schedule performance
- Quality control is often performed by a quality control department
- □ The project management team should have a working knowledge of statistical quality control especially sampling and probability to help evaluate and control outputs.

The project management should be aware of the following among other subjects.

- \* *Prevention* (keeping errors out of the process)
- \* Inspection (keeping errors out of the customers hand
- \* Attribute sampling (for conformity of results)
- \* Variable sampling (where the results are rated on a continuous scale that measures the degree of conformity or non conformity
- \* Special cause (unusual events)
- \* Random causes (normal process variations)
- \* *Tolerances* (where results should fall with in a defined tolerance range)
- ❖ Control limits (the process is in control if it falls within these defined limits)

### **Quality control Flowchart**



#### **INPUTS**

- 1. Work results: including both product results and process results
- 2. The quality management plan
- 3. Operational definitions
- 4. Checklists.

### **TOOLS & TECHNIQUES**

### **Inspection**

- □ Inspection includes activities such as measuring, examining and testing undertaken to determine whether results conform to requirements
- □ Inspection can be carried out on the level of a single activity or a final product
- □ Inspections can be called reviews, product reviews, audits, and walk-throughs.

### **TOOLS & TECHNIQUES**

#### **Control Charts**

- \* These charts are graphical representations that display the result of a process over time and are used to determine if the process is "in control"
- \* When in control the process should *not* be adjusted, however it may be *changed* in order to provide improvements
- \* Control charts may be used ot monitor any type of output variable
- \* Control charts are most often used to monitor repetitive activity in production but can also be used to monitor cost and schedule variances.

### **TOOLS & TECHNIQUES**

### Pareto Diagram

- □ A Pareto diagram is a histogram ordered by frequency of occurrence which shows how many results were generated by what category or identified cause
- □ The project management team should take action to fix the problems that are causing the greatest number of defects first
- □ Typically the Pareto diagram reflects that a relatively small number of causes are responsible for the majority of the problems or defects.

### **TOOLS & TECHNIQUES**

## **Statistical Sampling**

- Statistical sampling involves choosing a part of a population of interest for inspection
- Appropriate sampling can effectively reduce the cost of quality control
- There is a vast body of knowledge related to statistical sampling and therefore the management must be aware of the various sampling techniques.

### **TOOLS & TECHNIQUES**

### **Flowcharting**

Flowcharting is used in quality control to help analyze how a problem occurs

### **Trend Analysis**

The trend analysis involves the use of mathematical techniques to forecast future outcomes based on historical results it is often used to monitor.

- Technical performance how many defects have been identified and how many remain uncorrected
- Cost and schedule performance how many activities in a certain period were completed with significant variances

#### **OUTPUTS**

- Quality improvement (previously described)
- Acceptance decisions, where the inspected items will either be accepted or rejected and those rejected may be reworked
- Rework, which is an action taken to bring defects or nonconforming items into compliance with requirements and specifications. Rework is a frequent cause of project over-runs and the project management team must make an effort to minimize it.

# Project quality plan

#### **OUTPUTS**

Completed Checklists, which become a part of a project record when they are used

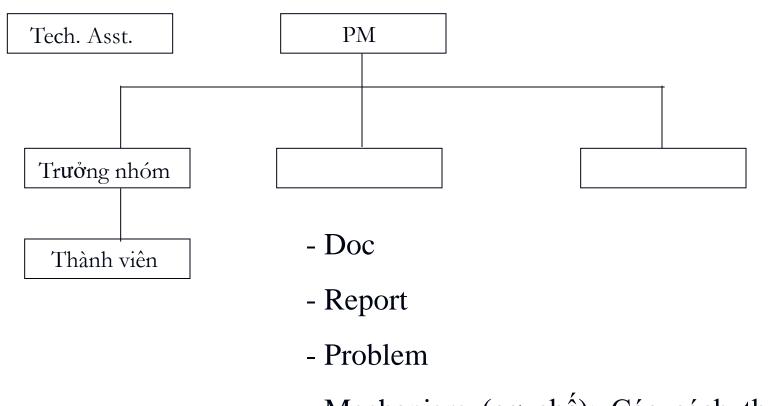
**Process Adjustments**, which involves immediate corrective or preventive action as a result of quality control measurements. In some cases the adjustment may need to be handled according to procedures for overall change control.

# Project quality plan

In **conclusion** we find that in order to achieve PQM or Project Quality Management, one has to integrate the concepts of Project management with the processes of quality management at the project scale and throughout its different phases.

for effective PQM it is essential that the project management team be aware of the concepts of quality management to be able to make use of the described processes and implement them to achieve the required end product.

## Communication plan: Kế hoạch thông tin



- Mechanism (cơ chế): Các cách thức liên lạc bằng Email, cách thức báo cáo vượt cấp, biên bản các cuộc họp.

How do we Manage Communications?

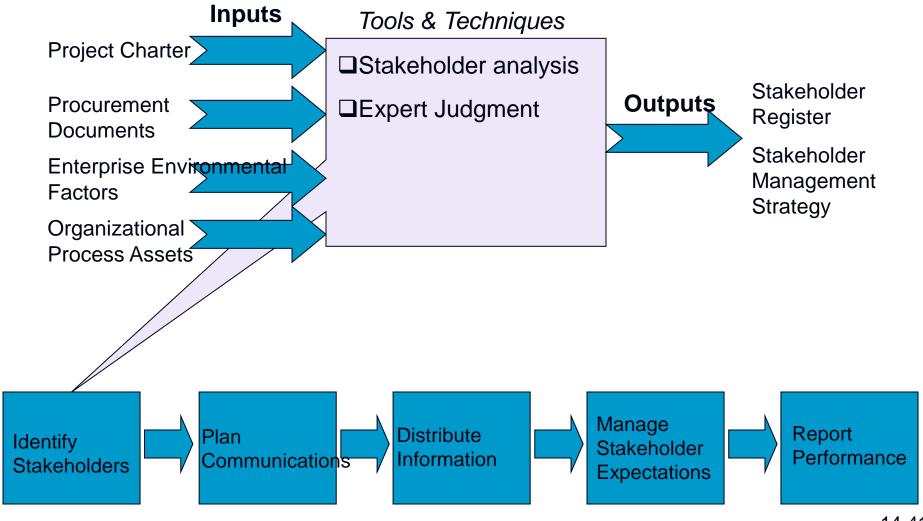
Five processes

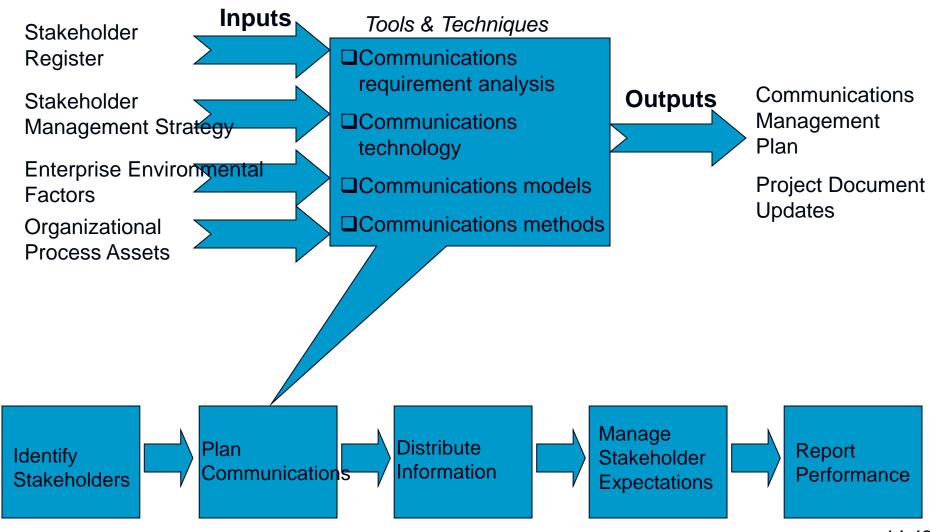
- Identify Stakeholders
- Plan Communications
- Distribute Information
- Manage Stakeholder Expectations
- Report Performance



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### **Identify Stakeholders**





### **Com Requirement Analysis**

- Who needs to know and how much?
- □ Communicate good and bad, but not too much to overwhelm team
- □ Communication channels grows exponentially not linearly as team members are added!

# of Com Channels = 
$$N(N-1)/2$$

Where N = # of Stakeholders

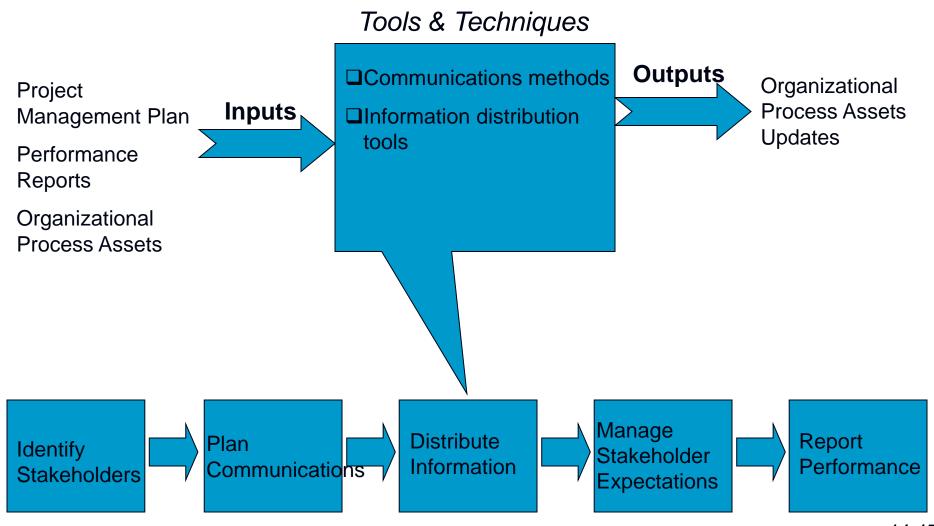
### **Communications Management Plan**

Who, what, when, and how information is to be distributed

Issue escalation process.

Information Type	Distribution	gred Char	Project	Thought Rad	Distrit	Lition Sales of	id file
Charter	Revision	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Project Plan	Revision	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Launch Plan	Revision	✓	✓				$\checkmark$
Product Specifications	Revision		✓	✓		✓	$\checkmark$
Schedule	Monthly	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	$\checkmark$
Weekly Updates	Weekly	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	$\checkmark$
Project Minutes	Weekly		✓				✓
Project emails	As-Appropriate						✓
Project Memos	As-Appropriate		✓				$\checkmark$
Vendor Info	As-Appropriate				✓		✓
Progress Update	Quarterly	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Contractor Info			✓		✓		✓

#### **Distribute Information**



### **Distribution Techniques** - Written

PM Sort and Distribute

■ Small projects only, issues with timely delivery of info

Document Control Sort & Distribute

 Mid sized projects, issues with retention of staff qualified to sort info

#### **Document Control Notification**

■ Daily list of all docs received emailed to team, who are directed to central location for document review.

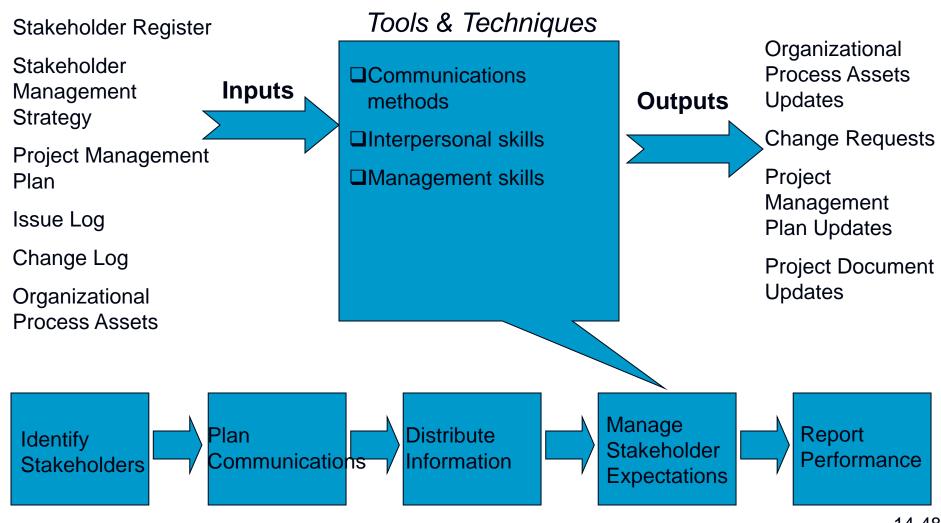
### **Distribution Techniques** - Verbal

Where do team members get their information<sup>1</sup>?

- 7% from words
- 38% from tone
- 55% non-verbal cues

Your presentation style is extremely important

### Manage Stakeholder Expectations



### Why Manage Stakeholders?

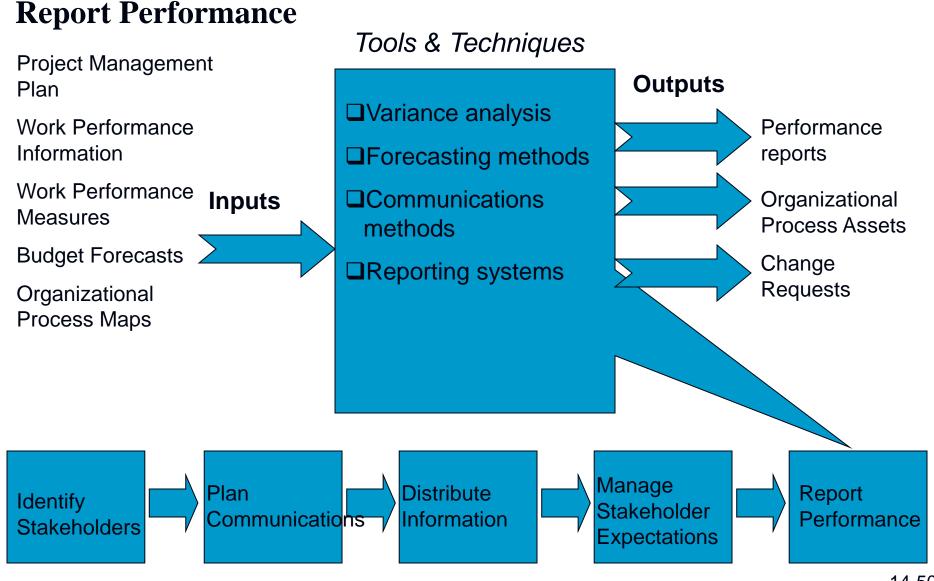
### We Retain<sup>1</sup>

- 10% from reading
- 20% hearing
- 30% read and hear
- 50% that we discuss
- 80% of experiences
- 90% that we teach

# How Long<sup>1</sup>

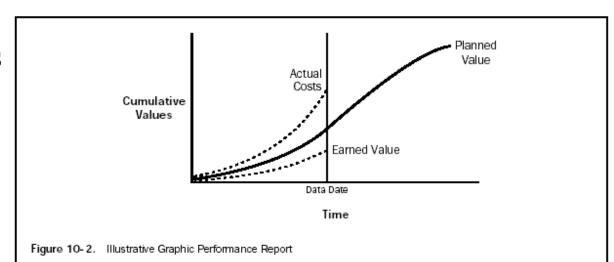
- 50% now
- 25% in 2 days
- 10% after 7 days

Agreements without documentation will come back to haunt you!



### **Performance Reports**

- Common Types
  - Gantt Charts
  - S-Curves
  - Histograms
  - EVA Tables



	Planned	Earned	Cost					Performan	nce Index
WBS Element	Budget	Earned Value	Actual Cost	Cost Variance		Schedule Variance		Cost	Schedule
	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(%)	(\$)	(%)	CPI	SPI
	(PV)	(EV)	(AC)	(EV - AC)	(CV ÷ EV)	(EV - PV)	(SV÷PV)	(EV ÷ AC)	(EV ÷ PV)
1.0 Pre-Pilot Plan	63,000	58,000	62,500	-4,500	-7.8	-5,000	-7.9	0.93	0.92
2.0 Checklists	64,000	48,000	46,800	1,200	2.5	-16,000	-25.0	1.03	0.75
3.0 Curriculum	23,000	20,000	23,500	-3,500	-17.5	-3,000	-13.0	0.85	0.87
4.0 Mid-Term Evaluation	68,000	68,000	72,500	-4,500	-6.6	0	0.0	0.94	1.00
5.0 Implementation Support	12,000	10,000	10,000	0	0.0	-2,000	-16.7	1.00	0.83
6.0 Manual of Practice	7,000	6,200	8,000	200	3.2	-800	-11.4	1.03	0.89
7.0 Roll-Out Plan	20,000	13,500	18,100	-4,600	-34.1	-6,500	-32.5	.075	0.68
Totals	257,000	223,700	239,400	- 15,700	-7.0	-33,300	- 13.0	0.93	0.87

Note: All figures are project-to-date.

Figure 10-3. Illustrative Tabular Performance Report

<sup>\*</sup>Other units of measure that may be used in these calculations may include: labor hours, cubic yards of concrete, etc.

### **Communication Summary**

- □ An effective message must survive the noise and return as feedback to the sender
- □ Channels increase exponentially with additional people [ # = N(N-1)/2 ]
- □ Communicate and document to keep the team and stakeholders happy and productive!

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