Strategies for Successfully Implementing CMMI and Six Sigma

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- Background
- Six Sigma and CMMI
- Process Hierarchy
- Process Management Responsibilities
- Summary



TRW Systems

- A leading global integrator of complex systems
 - Based on information technology and systems engineering expertise
 - Integrated solutions: architecture, development and sustainment
- Many customers and markets in transformation
- Six Sigma and CMMI cornerstones of our transformation



Treasury Communications System



Intercontinental Ballistic Missile Program



Ohio MARCS



- Competitive advantage through lower costs and lower risks
 - Ability to predictably deliver on time and within schedule
 - Increased customer satisfaction and associated growth
- Better business management through management by data
 - Quantitatively understand performance and quality drivers
 - More strategic and less tactical
- Enterprise approach to process improvement
 - Ability to capitalize on knowledge from all across the organization
 - Common infrastructure for all improvement initiatives
 - Common policies, processes, and training

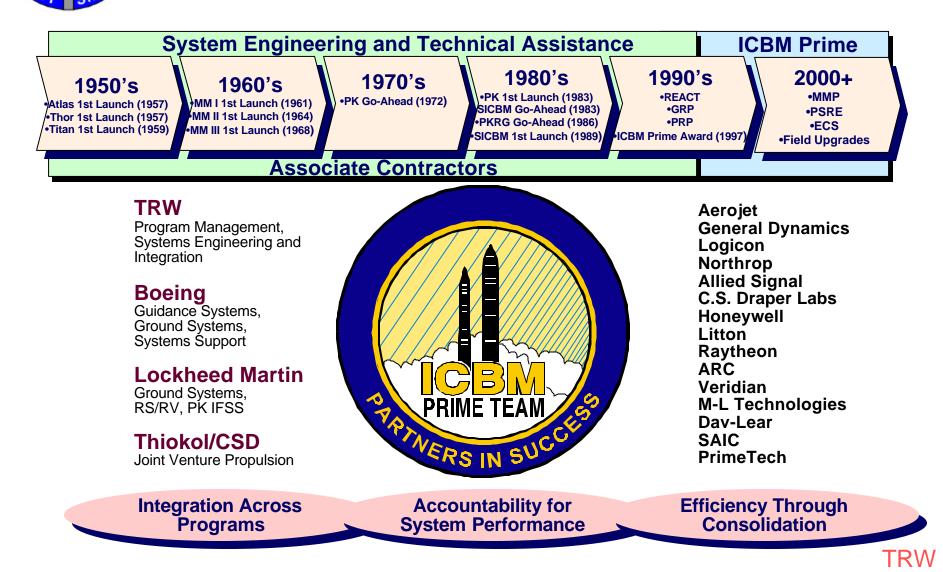
ICBM's Form Backbone of U.S. Strategic Deterrence



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The ICBM Program Is a Team Effort

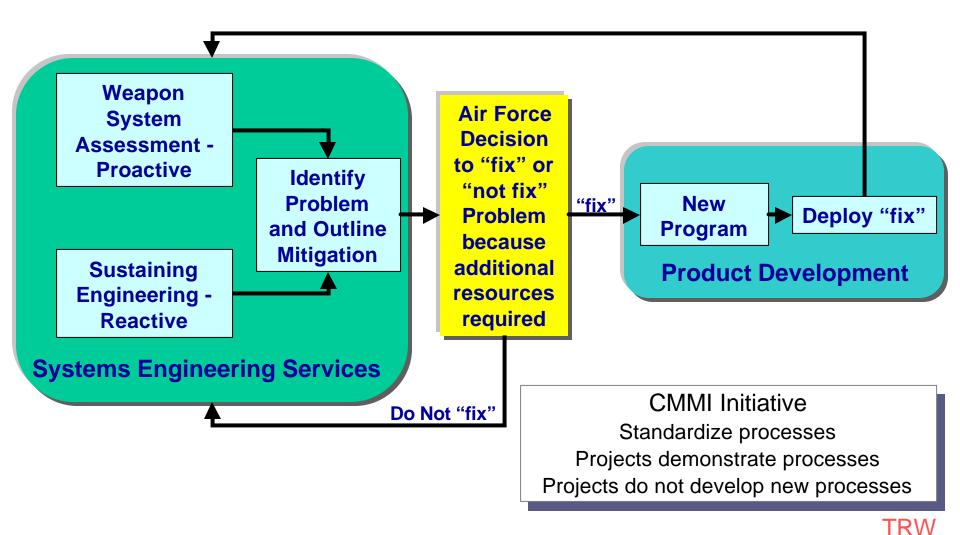


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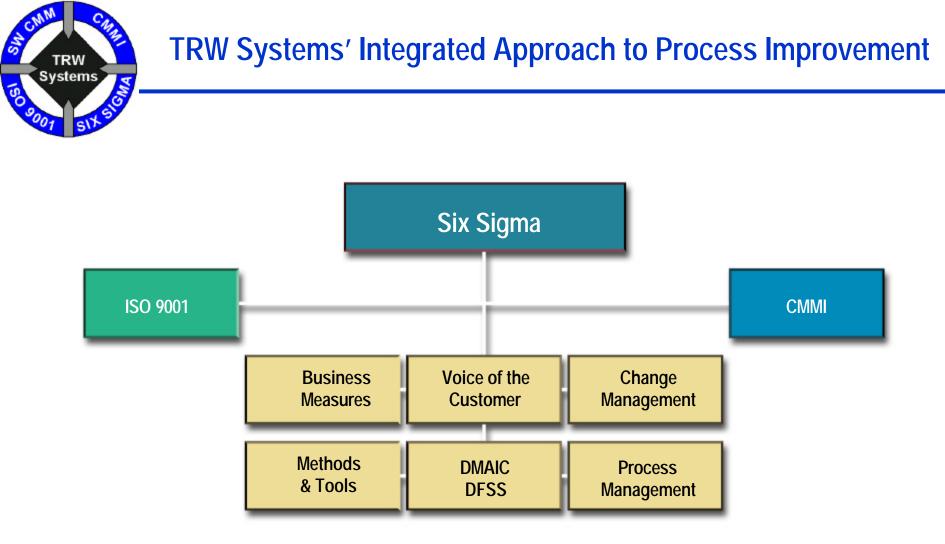
"Program" (Contract) is a Set of Related Programs/Projects



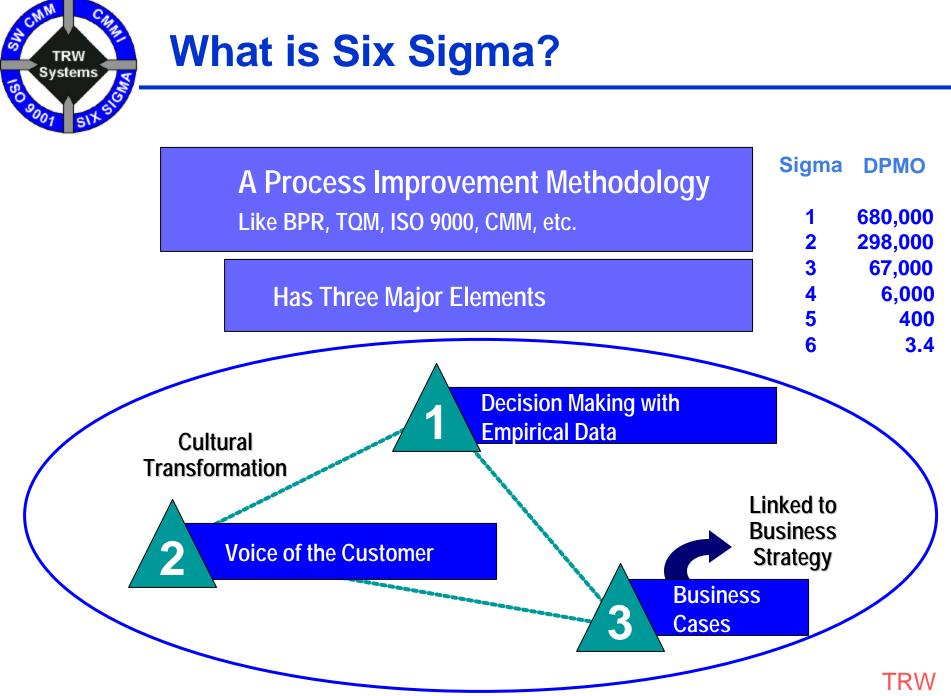


Six Sigma and CMMI

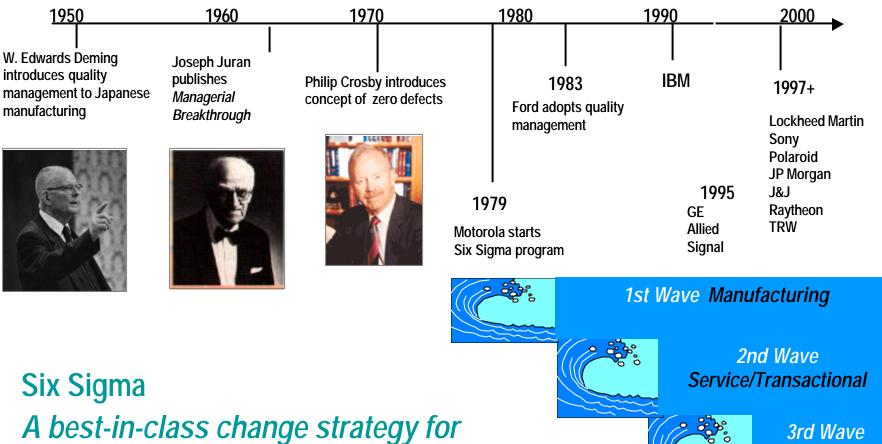




- ISO 9001 provides the quality management discipline for all project and functional areas
- Six Sigma provides a comprehensive framework for ensuring process improvements support corporate goals
- CMMI ensures the use of industry best practices in software and systems engineering



History of Six Sigma



A best-in-class change strategy for accelerating improvements in processes, products, and services

3rd Wave Engineering/ Software

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How Six Sigma Compliments CMMI

For an individual process:

- CMM/CMMI identifies *what* activities are expected (industry bestpractice)
- Six Sigma identifies *how* activities might be improved (more efficient, more effective, ...)

Example – Project Planning in CMMI

SG 1	Establish	n Estimates
	SP 1.1	Estimate the Scope of the Project
	SP 1.2	Establish Estimates of Project Attributes
	SP 1.3	Define Project Life Cycle
	SP 1.4	Determine Estimates of Effort and Cost
SG 2	Develop a Project Plan	
	SP 2.1	Establish the Budget and Schedule
	SP 2.2	Identify Project Risks
	SP 2.3	Plan for Data Management
	SP 2.4	Plan for Project Resources
	SP 2.5	Plan for Needed Knowledge and Skills
	SP 2.6	Plan Stakeholder Involvement
	SP 2.7	Establish the Project Plan
SG 3	Obtain Commitment to the Plan	
	SP 3.1	Review Subordinate Plans
	SP 3.2	Reconcile Work and Resource Levels
	SP 3.3	Obtain Plan Commitment

Could fully meet CMMI goals and practices, but still write poor plans

Six Sigma can be used to make planning process more efficient and yield better plans

How CMMI Compliments Six Sigma

For the organizational infrastructure:

- Six Sigma identifies *what* activities are used for improvement (DMAIC, DFSS)
- CMM/CMMI identifies *how* those activities might be implemented (Process Groups, Training Offices)

Example – Organizational Process Focus in CMMI

SG 1	Determine Process Improvement Opportunities	
	SP 1.1	Establish Organizational Process Needs
	SP 1.2	Assess the Organization's Processes
	SP 1.3	Identify the Organization's Process
		Improvements
SG 2	Plan and	Implement Process Improvement
Activities		
	SP 2.1	Establish Process Action Plans
	SP 2.2	Implement Process Action Plans
	SP 2.3	Deploy Process and Related Process
		Assets
	SP 2.4	Incorporate Process-Related Experiences
		into the Organization's Process Assets
GG 3	Institutionalize a Defined Process	

Six Sigma doesn't assess overall organizational capability

CMMI provides an approach to setting up the infrastructure

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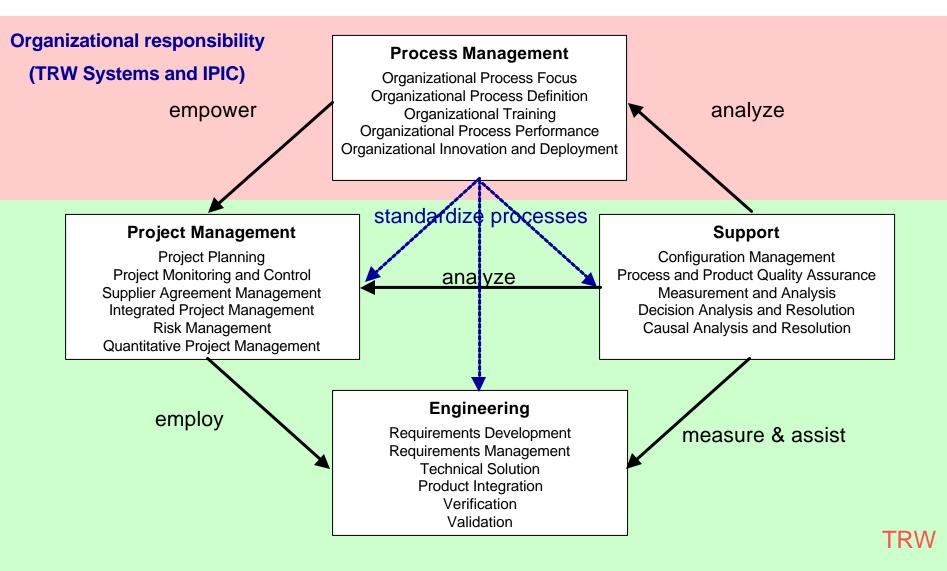


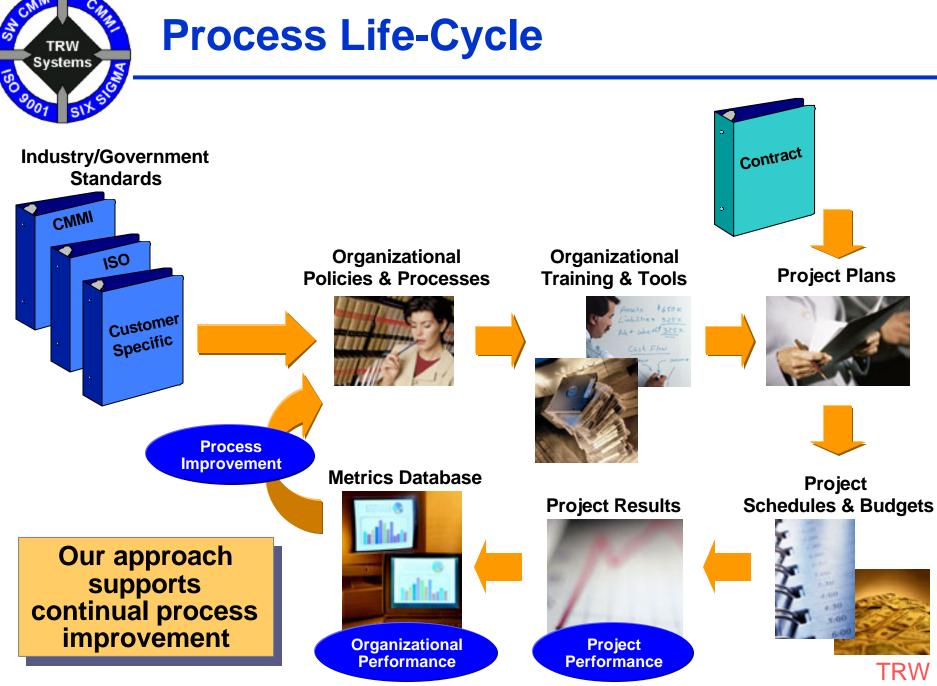
Process Hierarchy



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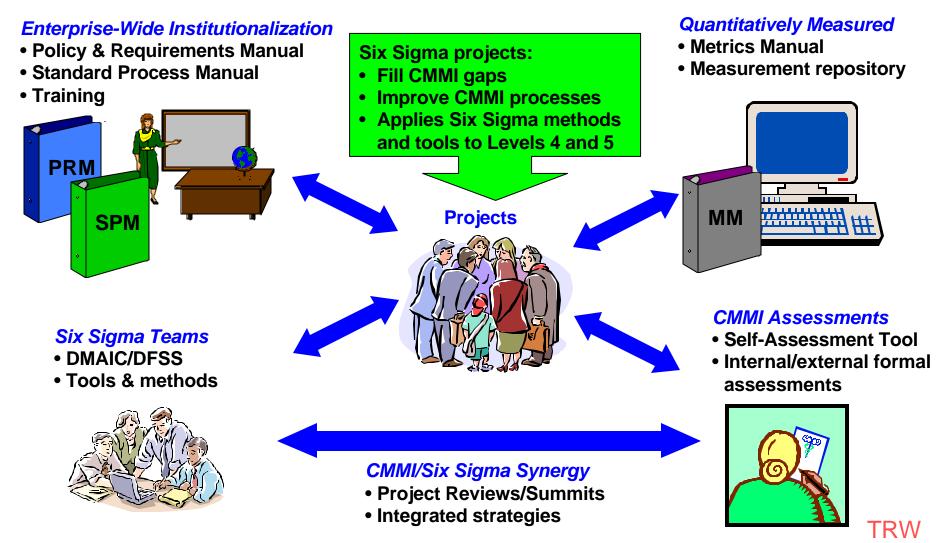
CMMI Process Area Relationships

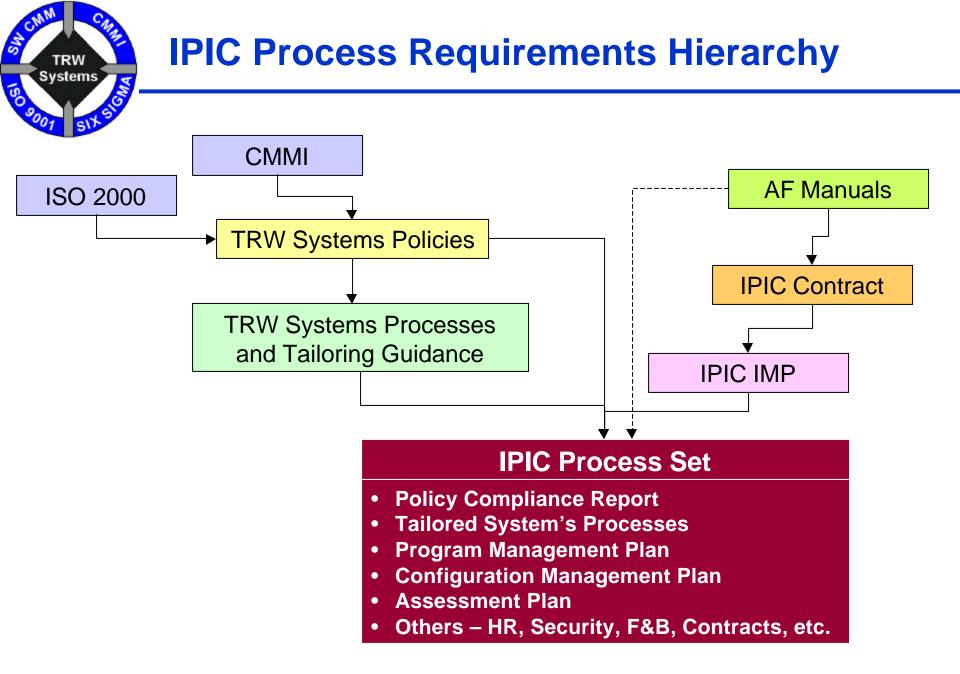


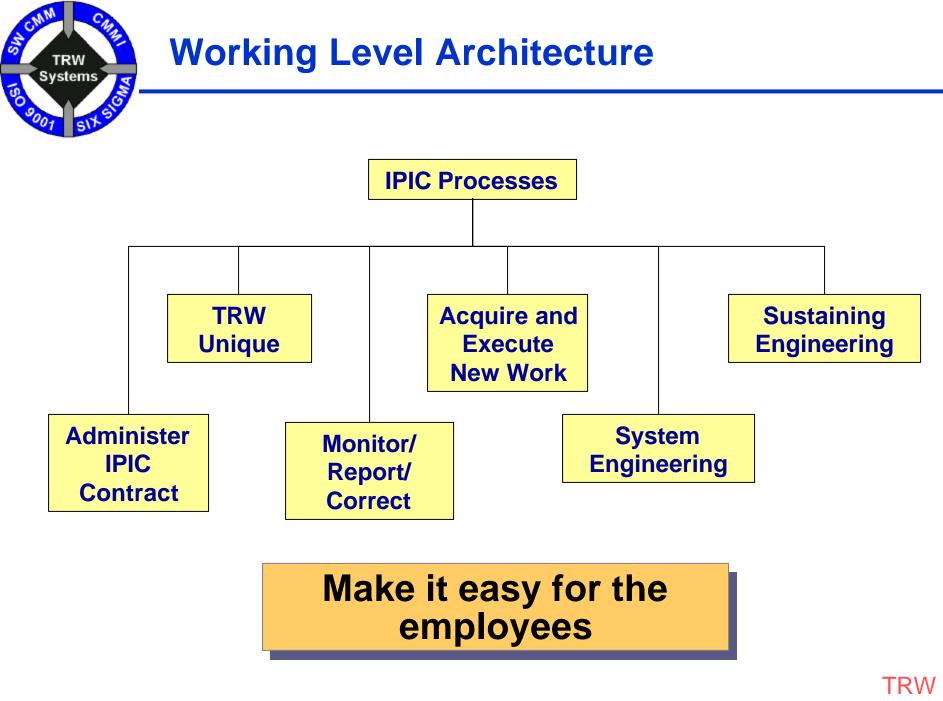




Highlights of Our Approach









Process Management Responsibilities

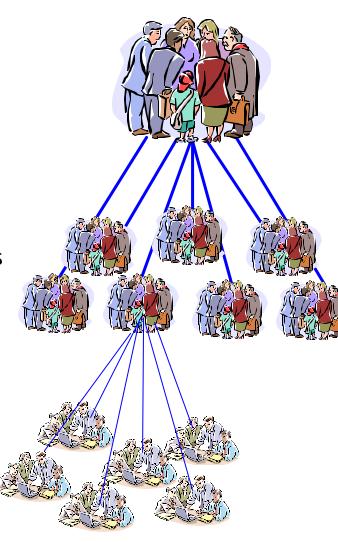




We leverage our Six Sigma efforts off our successful CMMI infrastructure

TRW Systems

- Common Process
 Management program
 office and reporting
 structure
- Shared staff with skills in both areas
- Information sharing from Enterprise to Division to Project



TRW Systems

- Process Management staff
- TRW Systems Process Group
- Office of Cost Estimation
- Six Sigma Training Office
- Dashboards

Divisions

- Division Champions
- Division Process Groups
- Training Offices (engineering, management)

Projects

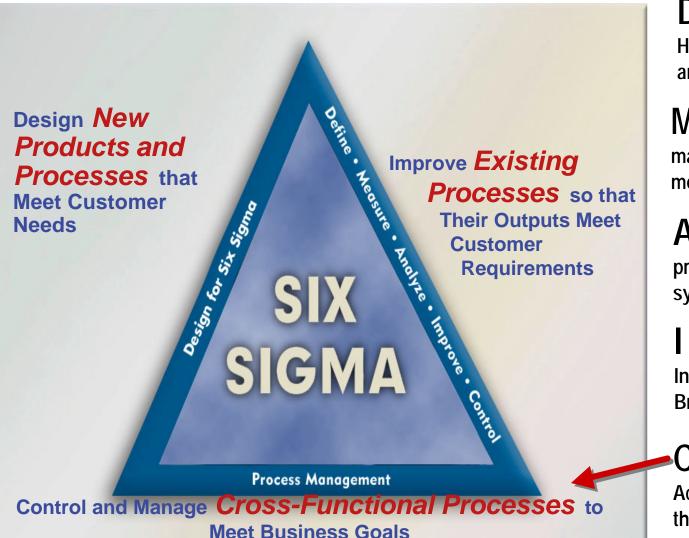
- Self-Assessment Tool
- Corrective Action System

Six Sigma Projects

- Startit! Data base
- Best Practice Sharing



Making it Stick



D - Each Project Must Have a Business Case and Sponsor

M - "You can't manage what you don't measure."

A - "Solve the problem, not the symptoms."

Push for
 Innovations,
 Breakthrough Thinking

C - Who Is Accountable for Making the Fix Stick?

IPIC Process Roles and Responsibilities

Process Leader

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- Monitors Process Continually
- Influences resources executing the process
- Trains process
- Documents the process
- Responsible for stakeholder management of the process
- Reports to process reviewer the health of the process
- Integrates with integrating process leaders and functional managers
- Responsible to maintain/implement changes

Process Reviewer

- Reviews status of the process as deemed necessary with the process leader – generally 1 per week to 1 per month
- Assists the process leader with stakeholder management
- Assists the process leader with endorsement of roles and responsibilities within the process
- Understands interfaces between this process and other processes and functions
- Maintains "vision" of the process

Highly Matrixed Organization – Typical "Process Owner" did not apply



Additional Process Roles and Responsibilities

Process Implementer

- Executes the process
- Examples
 - PM and PMT execute the Acquisition Strategy process
 - Hiring Manger executes the staffing process
 - PM/PMTs execute the design and development process
 - TO team executes the TO process

Process Auditor

 Independently assess compliance to the process and quality of the product

Upper Management Reviewer

- Reviews process and product metrics of selected processes (leader, reviewer and auditor may be asked questions)
- 1x per month to 1x per quarter

<u>Supplier</u>

• Provides data or material into process

Customer

• Receives data or material from process

Stakeholders

- Determined by the process leader with the process reviewer
- Includes all the above and may extend from supplier of suppliers to customer of customer



Summary of Key Strategies

• Establish an enterprise approach

- Process improvement
- Process management

Leverage initiatives to obtain goals

- Six Sigma is a great set of tools to support CMMI implementation

• Don't expect projects to be able to implement everything

- Some things are better implemented at an organizational level
- Make it easy for the employees
- Document process roles and responsibilities early
- Process improvements are sustained by process management
 - Six Sigma Control
 - CMMI Generic Practices
- Overall approach supports continual process improvement