



The Continuous Improvement Check

Why?

Among the many objectives and goals that an organization has today, continuous improvement is becoming an expected objective. If you aren't improving, you aren't competing and you are falling behind. Companies cannot afford to fall behind on Quality.

We have found that many organizations have difficulties in realizing Continuous Improvement. Despite having lean teams, green belts or other experts, somehow the benefits of these skills do not always result in Continuous Improvement. The initiatives result in one or two wins for the company but then the momentum stalls.

The Continuous Improvement Check will give you practical solutions and a clear direction to make the next steps towards Continuous Improvement.

We have a longstanding unique combination of skill sets which enables a quick and clear analysis, engages team members and will give you a feasible outlook to smarter process improvement.

Benefits

Based on the four key factors we will define the next steps for your organization;

1. Harvest the low hanging fruit
2. Optimize the use of tools and skills
3. Increase sustainability

What is the CIC?

The Continuous Improvement Check looks into the four key aspects:

1. The use of data and information;
 - a. Check on availability and quality of data
 - b. Check on use of data to produce information
 - c. Check on relevancy of information
2. The use of technical tools and skills
 - a. Check on appropriate usage of tools like Lean and Six Sigma
 - b. Check on improvement capability
 - c. Check on missing tools or technical skills
3. The Governance processes
 - a. Check on information facilitating the decision making process
 - b. Check on process improvement being a part of the governance
 - c. Check on process ownership
4. The skills of teams to implement and sustain
 - a. Check on sustainability of improvements
 - b. Check on ability to implement
 - c. Check on soft skills of teams

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The 4 deal breakers

How does the CIC work?

We do not use a standard questionnaire. Why? Because they have standard questions and no customer is standard. So we use our expertise to make sure to ask the right questions and staff will feel invited to share their views and information. The approach consists of 4 simple steps;

1. Intake meeting (1 hour) with a senior manager, identifying the assignment, scope and challenges.



3. Workshop (2 hours) with 4 – 6 team members engaged in improvement we will check the deal breakers and other challenges to realize continuous improvement.



2. Interview (1 hour) with a middle manager to check the facts and deepen the analysis.



4. Presentation of the results.



So in half a day we will have done our analysis. Your time investment is only a couple hours and your team members will have experienced an energetic workshop.



Who are we?

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Together we cover a unique and comprehensive knowledge base and skill set.