

KEYS TO SUCCESSFUL PROJECT PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT

At the heart of every successful project is a team with a clear understanding of the project's end result, the criteria necessary for the project's success, the interdependencies between separate contributors, a commitment to work together, and a driving desire to succeed.

Project QuickStep is a two-day workshop designed to provide anyone in charge of a project with the tools necessary to manage effectively and deliver the desired results. **Day One** is designed to help team leaders and members learn to use a flexible, straightforward framework and set of tools for effective project management. **Day Two** addresses the *application* of those tools in achieving real-world project goals, using coaching and peer review to strengthen the participants' skills in delivering the desired results.

Specific skills essential to realizing a successful project are covered through discussion and exercises: *team leadership; getting commitment* from team members to deliver results and from managers to provide support; *team leader and team member responsibilities* for successful meetings; *tools* to use to monitor progress and drive results; *satisfying customer, user and stakeholder expectations* for the project.

During the workshop, participants are guided through a disciplined methodology for planning and managing projects to a successful outcome. The framework embodied in the methodology includes the following elements:

- Desired project outcomes — What do customers (or users) and managers want?
- Project end result and success criteria — What is it? Why are we doing it?
- Critical success factors — What must happen (or not happen)?
- Project scope — What are the project's key requirements and critical resources?
- What are the trade-offs (value vs. impact) between these and time?
- Schedule — Who does what, and when?
- Key Relationships — Who are the individuals essential to the project's success and what's needed from them?

Workshop participants are encouraged to apply this framework to a real-life project in which they are involved. Framework answers are captured in a *Dashboard* (project summary) and *Schedule* (detailed action plan) used to communicate project goals, issues and status, and to educate team members and managers about required support for the project.

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SCHEDULE AND 2010 PRICING

TIME & LOCATION	PORTLAND SESSIONS	PARTICIPANT PRICING
8:30AM - 4:30PM — Lunch provided 5300 Meadows Road First Floor Oaks Room Lake Oswego, OR 97035	Fall: Oct. 22 and Nov. 5, 2009 Spring: April 15 and 29, 2010 Summer: July 15 and 29, 2010	6 or more \$845 3 to 5 \$895 1 to 2 \$945
<small>Session dates, times and facilitators may change without prior notice.</small>		

