



# External Training Purchases L6S Kaizen Event Outbrief



**The External Training Purchases  
Process Improvement Team**

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# Introductions

# NSSC External Training Purchases L6S Kaizen Event Charter

**Problem Statement:** Unclear roles and responsibilities, excessive handoffs, and a single metric that covers all submissions regardless of relevance or applicability are impacting the effectiveness of the Training Purchases staff. The metric for this activity requires procurement, registration, and notification to the student within 5 business days of receipt at the NSSC.

## **Goal Statements:**

- Clarify roles & responsibilities, reduce handoffs to the maximum extent possible, reduce end-to-end transaction time by 50%, and level the workload across all 5 days of the SLI (Goal: 1 month).
- Reduce the number of requests processed on or after the last day by 50%; redefine expectations for success (revise SLI) (Goal: 3 months).
- Convert training purchases process to paperless (Goal: 6 months).

## **Process Boundaries:**

- Process begins with receipt of a training request (SF-182)
- Process ends with delivery of records to the records storage facility (SLI ends when student is notified of registration)

## **Commandment and Monuments:**

- Commandments: Must follow applicable Agency policies & directives.
- Monuments: Remedy, SATERN, SAP, P-Card system to be retained.

RELEASED - Printed documents may be obsolete; validate prior to use.

**Event Dates:** Nov 29 – Dec 1  
**Location:** Conference Center 107

**Co-Champions:** Ken Newton,  
Ginger Smith

**Co-Sponsors:** Anita Harrell, Scott  
Taylor

**Team Co-Leads:** Mike McCann,  
Vessie Means

## **Team Members:**

Darryl Rouse  
Janelle Pearson  
Lisa Rhudy  
Elaine Couchman  
Mabel Delgado  
Alicia Ransom (observer)

**Facilitators:** Paul Rydeen, Donald  
St. Germain

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## **Project Mission:**

Examine all aspects of the current External Training Purchases process flow (within event scope) and restructure it to make a more efficient, streamlined process that minimizes handoffs and meets or exceeds the SLI

## **Constraints:**

Team members will be expected to devote 100% of their time to the 3-day event, and attend Out-Brief

## **Assumptions:**

The focus of the team will be on improving the timeliness, efficiency, and quality of the existing process, not designing a new process

## **Reporting:**

Status of implementation progress will be presented weekly at scheduled meetings with the Champions and Sponsors

## **Team Guidelines:**

- The team will meet 11/29/10 – 12/1/10 from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm, and 12/2/10 from 9:00 am to 10:00 am

• All decisions will be made by consensus  
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## **Preliminary Project Plan:**

**Project Definition: Oct 29 – Nov 19**

- Define scope & goals
- Secure team members
- Gather data

**Kickoff: Nov 29 (8:00 – 8:30)**

**Current State: Nov 29 (8:30 – 4:00)**

- Charter review
- Map current state
- Analyze current state

**Current State: Nov 30 (8:00 to 10:00)**

- Identify waste / optimize flow

**Ideal State: Nov 30 (10:00 – 2:00)**

- Map ideal state

**Future State: Nov 30 (2:00 – 4:00)**

- Map future state

**Future State: Dec 1 (8:00 – 3:00)**

- Develop Implementation Plan
- Prepare for Out-Brief

**Out-Brief: Dec 2 (9:00 – 10:00)**

- Obtain management commitment to follow through on Implementation Plan

## Event Activities Completed

- Constructed Current State
- Current State Analysis
  - Trigger Sheets
  - Value?
- Constructed Ideal State
- Brainstormed Ideal State vs. Future – What prevents us from implementing the ideal state?
- Future State
- Identified Actions
- Get-To-Excellence (GTE) Plan

Tools: Flow Charting, Brainstorming, Trigger Sheets, Value Analysis

# Current State



# Current State Analysis



## Trigger Sheets

Task:
Trigger:
Done:
Cycle Time:
Touch Time:
Takt Time:
No. of People:
Items in In-Box:
No. of Approvals:
Distance Item Travels:
ESH Issue:
% Rework:
Top 3 Rework Issues:
1.
2.
3.



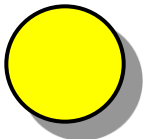
## Current State Analysis (cont.)

### *Value-Added Activities*



- Activities which change the form, fit or function of the product/service AND
- Activities which, when asked, the customer is willing to pay more if we did more of it AND
- Activities done right the first time

### *Non Value-Added Required - Needed Activities*



- Activities which may be necessary but the customer will not pay you to do
- Cannot be eliminated (due to non-robustness of process) based on current state of technology
- Required (regulatory, customer mandate, legal)

### *Non Value – Added Activities*



- Activities that consume resources but create no value in the eyes of the customer
- The customer is not willing to pay
- Pure waste (8 forms)

# Ideal State



# What Changed?

- Instituted paperless process
  - Eliminated activity log checklist (the process has become the checklist)
  - Increased utilization of Remedy
  - Eliminated printing and manual transportation of folders
- Reduced rework
- Reduced handoffs
- Reduced search and queue time
- Reduced multiple storage procedures
- Eliminated duplication of work by eliminating process steps
- Identified process for denying incomplete packages submitted by Centers

# Future State



# What Changed?

	Current	Future	Improvement
Steps	26	<b>21</b>	19%
Cycle Time (minutes)	8767	<b>2053</b>	76%
Touch Time (minutes)	225	<b>140</b>	38%
First-Pass Yield (FPY)	31%	<b>92%</b>	298%

# Get-To-Excellence Plan and Follow-up

<u>#</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Event Description</u>	<u>Target Date</u>	<u>% Comp</u>	<u>Owner</u>
1	JDI	Purchase Adobe Pro (13 copies)	12/31/2010	0%	Vessie Means
2	JDI	Update metrics data & calcs in NBID (Task 4)	12/31/2010	25%	Vessie Means
3	JDI	Create NSR to correct "no match" for 182s that do not create NSR	12/3/2010	0%	Vessie Means
4	JDI	Create NSR to create NBID report for reconciliation support	12/3/2010	0%	Elaine Couchman
5	JDI	Stop creating paper folders	1/31/2011	0%	Mike McCann
6	JDI	Relate all child NSRs to parent NSRs vs SATERN ID	12/10/2010	0%	Vessie Means
7	JDI	Revise procurement policy for procurement documents (wet sig. vs. electronic)	12/15/2010	0%	Mike McCann
8	JDI	Create NSR to adding fields in Remedy	12/15/2010	0%	Mike McCann
9	JDI	Develop training plan for NSSC employees	12/31/2010	0%	Alicia Ransom
10	JDI	Change Mgmt plan	12/15/2010	0%	Mike McCann
11	JDI	Desk Guide update	12/31/2010	0%	Pearson / Ransom

- JDI
- Kaizen
- Project
- VSM

Benefit	High	<b>X</b>	I	C	
	Low		P	K	
		Easy		Hard	
		Difficulty			

**Estimated Task Dates:** 12/1/10 to 12/31/10

**Owner:** Vessie Means

**Description/Problem Statement:**  
Purchase Adobe Pro (13 copies). Needed to move to paperless environment.

**Potential Team Lead and Members:**  
Lead – Vessie Means  
Members – IT Dept

**Objectives/Deliverables:**  
Get new software loaded on desktops to allow electronic document management.

**Level of Effort:** minimal

**Benefits:**  
Essential to paperless environment.

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Benefit	High	<b>X</b>	I	C	
	Low		P	K	
		Easy		Hard	
		Difficulty			

**Estimated Task Dates:** 12/01/10-12/31/10

**Owner:** Vessie Means

**Description/Problem Statement:**

Update metrics data and calculations in NBID (Task 4).

Eliminated Task 4; concerned that data collection is dependent on Task 4 activity.

**Potential Team Lead and Members:**

Lead: Vessie Means  
Members: PMO

**Objectives/Deliverables:**

Accurate data collection.

**Level of Effort:** Minimal

**Benefits:**

To ensure utilization and SLA data are collected correctly.



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Benefit	High	<b>X</b>	I	C	
	Low		P	K	
		Easy		Hard	
		Difficulty			

**Estimated Task Dates:** 12/01/10-12/03/10

**Owner:** Vessie Means

**Description/Problem Statement:**

Create NSR to correct “no match” for 182’s that do not create NSR.

When employee name cannot be matched no NSR is created.

**Potential Team Lead and Members:**

Lead: Vessie Means  
Members: IT

**Objectives/Deliverables:**

Accurate creation of all 182’s.

**Level of Effort:** Minimal

**Benefits:**

Accurate creation of all 182’s.

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Benefit	High	<b>X</b>	I	C	
	Low		P	K	
		Easy		Hard	
		Difficulty			

**Estimated Task Dates: 12/01/10-12/03/10**

**Owner: Elaine Couchman**

**Potential Team Lead and Members:**

Lead: Elaine Couchman  
Members: PMO and IT

**Description/Problem Statement:**

Create NSR to create NBID Report to support PCard Solutions reconciliation.

Difficulty in matching credit card statements to PCard Solutions entries.

**Objectives/Deliverables:**

Complete a report that provides all Remedy entries required to match credit card statement to PCard Solution entries.

**Level of Effort: Minimal**

**Benefits:**

To reduce reconciliation time.

- JDI
- Kaizen
- Project
- VSM

Benefit	High	<b>X</b>	I	C	
	Low		P	K	
		Easy		Hard	
		Difficulty			

**Estimated Task Dates: 12/01/10-01/31/11**

**Owner: Mike McCann**

**Potential Team Lead and Members:**

Lead: Mike McCann

Members: External Training Team

**Description/Problem Statement:**

Stop creating paper folders.

Manual distribution and handling of training documentation and missing folders.

**Objectives/Deliverables:**

A paperless external training process.

**Level of Effort: Medium**

**Benefits:**

Eliminating handling of paper based products, save money, and GO GREEN!

- JDI
- Kaizen
- Project
- VSM

Benefit	High	<b>X</b>	I	C	
	Low		P	K	
		Easy		Hard	
		Difficulty			

**Estimated Task Dates:** 12/01/10-12/10/10

**Owner:** Vessie Means

**Description/Problem Statement:**

Relate all “child” NSR to “parent” NSR .

Multiple systems of record currently in use to include paper based folders.

**Potential Team Lead and Members:**

Lead: Vessie Means  
Members: External Training Team

**Objectives/Deliverables:**

Consistent approach to relating all associated NSR’s.

**Level of Effort:** Minimal

**Benefits:**

Ability to locate all documentation associated with a single External Training event.

- JDI
- Kaizen
- Project
- VSM

Benefit Low High	X	I	C
	P	K	
	Easy	Hard	
	Difficulty		

**Estimated Task Dates: 12/01/10-12/15/10**

**Owner: Mike McCann**

**Description/Problem Statement:**

Investigate policy requirement for procurement documents and wet signature approvals.

**Potential Team Lead and Members:**

Lead: Mike McCann  
Members: Mike Sweigart

**Objectives/Deliverables:**

Eliminate paper by eliminating wet signatures.

**Level of Effort: Minimal**

**Benefits:**

GO-GREEN!

- JDI
- Kaizen
- Project
- VSM

Benefit Low High	X	I	C
	P	K	
	Easy	Hard Difficulty	

**Estimated Task Dates:** 12/01/10-12/15/10

**Owner:** Mike McCann

**Description/Problem Statement:**

Create NSR to add additional fields in Remedy.

- Date of Receipt
- Bill To
- Academic Payment Date
- Preparer
- Credit Amount
- DUNS #

**Potential Team Lead and Members:**

Lead: Mike McCann  
Members: Vessie Means, Janelle Pearson, Mabel Delgado, IT and PMO

**Objectives/Deliverables:**

Key elements to facilitate reports and reconciliation.

**Level of Effort:** Medium

**Benefits:** Accurate reporting and improved efficiency of reconciliation.

- JDI
- Kaizen
- Project
- VSM

Benefit	High	I	C	<b>X</b>
	Low	P	K	
		Easy	Hard	
		Difficulty		

**Estimated Task Dates:** 12/01/10-12/31/10

**Owner:** Alicia Ransom

**Description/Problem Statement:**

Develop training plan for NSSC External Training Team.

Process changes and to correct processing inconsistencies.

**Potential Team Lead and Members:**

Lead: Alicia Ransom  
Members: Lisa Rhudy

**Objectives/Deliverables:**

Outline of training requirements to cover entire External Training process.

**Level of Effort:** Minimal

**Benefits:**

Consistent streamline process.

- JDI
- Kaizen
- Project
- VSM

Benefit Low High	I	C <b>X</b>
	P	K
	Easy	Hard
	Difficulty	

**Estimated Task Dates:** 12/01/10-12/15/10

**Owner:** Mike McCann

**Potential Team Lead and Members:**

Lead: Mike McCann

Members: Vessie Means

**Description/Problem Statement:**

Change management plan.

Ensure all parties are aware of process changes and requirements/expectations.

**Objectives/Deliverables:**

Successful implementation.

**Level of Effort:** Minimal

**Benefits:**

Positive understanding of process changes and improvements.



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	Low		P	K	
		Easy		Hard	
		Difficulty			

**Estimated Task Dates:** 12/01/10-12/31/10

**Owner:** Janelle Pearson/Alicia Ransom

**Description/Problem Statement:**  
Current process documentation is out of date (Desk Guides).

**Potential Team Lead and Members:**  
Lead: Janelle Pearson and Alicia Ransom  
Members: Vessie Means and Elaine Couchman

**Objectives/Deliverables:**  
Detailed step-by-step guide to External Training process.

**Level of Effort:** Medium to Significant

**Benefits:**  
Consistent process.

- Desktop faxing capability.
- Modify Certification Exception Report.
- How to do SAP/Invoice for foreign vendor.
- Document invoice approval process for cardholder.
- Bulk purchases.
- Reimbursements.
- Records Retention.
- Venue/Date Change.
- Handling of expedites.
- Substitutions.
- Policy for rejections of 182's.
- Desegregation of work assignments.
- Cancellations with credit.
- Service Delivery Guide update.



# Backup Slides

