GBMP Introduction to Continuous Improvement

INTRODUCTION TO CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT IS AN EXCITING ONE-DAY COURSE INCLUDING INSTRUCTION IN THE PHILOSOPHIES OF CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT, THE SEVEN WASTES, "RELIABLE METHODS" AND TECHIQUES FOR COMBATING WASTE

Overview: It includes a comprehensive, hands-on classroom simulation that shows a factory in transition from batch production (push) to one-piece flow (using pull). The class provides an excellent foundation for companies just starting out and contains many specific improvement ideas that attendees can take away. This course is designed to both inform and inspire individuals about the benefits of unleashing the power of continuous improvement within their organization.

After taking this class attendees will be able to:
- ✓ Identify waste on their own shop floor
- ✓ Use simple reliable methods such as 5S to improve their work areas and processes
- ✓ Describe the relationship between continuous improvement and improved quality, cost, lead-time and product selection
- ✓ Explain why People are the secret to successful continuous improvement programs

Who should attend? This introductory course has something for everyone and is appropriate for all levels and disciplines within the organization. It is especially relevant for employees seeking a basic understanding of lean principles or those in need of a refresher course in the fundamentals of waste identification and appropriate countermeasures.

Time Commitment? 8 hours

Course Outline:
- What is "Traditional Manufacturing"?
- What is Continuous Improvement (CI) and how does it differ from Traditional Manufacturing?
- 4 CI Philosophies
- The CI Improvement Model
- A CI Case Study
- The Benefits of CI
- The Seven Wastes
- An introduction to "Reliable Methods" as Countermeasures to Waste
- Comprehensive hands-on production simulation that transforms a company from push to pull using CI "Reliable Methods"
- The GBMP "Everybody, Everyday' Approach to CI Implementation

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