

Lean in Washington – The Basics!

Reflection Questions and Notes
Human Experience Matters
What is something in your organizational culture that might get in the way of making improvements or solving problems?
Customers
Who is your customer? Why is listening to your customer important?
Employees
What opportunities do you have at work to bring improvement ideas forward?
8 Wastes
What are a couple wastes you've seen in your organization? How might you reduce that waste? How does learning about waste help you be able to improve it?
Mapping
What is a process you have that might benefit from mapping?
Problem Solving
How does understanding current state help you solve problems? Why is it important to explore root cause?
Lean in Your Organization
Does your agency have a Lean Advisor? If so, who is it? What else can you learn about how Lean works in your organization?
Take Action
What do you want to learn more about? What is one thing you can commit to applying from this session?

8 Wastes

Overproduction

 Producing more (product or service) than is needed or before it is needed.

Waiting

 Wasted time waiting for the next step in a process.

Transportation

 Unnecessary movements of products and materials.

Over-Processing

 More work or higher quality than is required by the customer.

Excess Inventory

 Products and materials not required by the customer.

Motion

 Any movement of people that does not add value to the product or service.

Defects

 When work isn't completed right the first time.

Underutilized People

 Not using people's talents, skills, and knowledge.