

Exercise 1: Processes in Your Organization

Explore Processes in Your Organization

Brainstorm Mission- Critical Processes that Need Improvement	Process 1:	Process 2:
Process Name (The name of each process should begin with a verb and end with a noun)		
What is the purpose of the process? / What outputs are produced?		
What event(s) kick-off the process?		
What event(s) end the process?		

Example

Brainstorm Mission-Critical Processes	Process 1:	
Process Name (The name of each process should begin with a verb and end with a noun)	Hire New Employee	
What is the purpose of the process? / What outputs are produced?	Provide talent to meet the organization's business objectives	
What event(s) kick-off the process?	Person submits application	
What event(s) end the process?	Hired person notified of acceptancePerson's information added to HR System	

Prioritize a Process to Improve

Consider Symptoms of Broken Processes				
• • •	Delays Errors Rework	Too many stepsToo slowErratic quality	FrustrationsProduct is too expensiveLost opportunities	

Process Name	Process 1:	Process 2:
What are a few major problems / frustrations with the process?		
Overall, how do these issues impact your organization's ability to serve its mission?		

Place a \(\sqrt{} \) by the process you would select for improvement.

Example

Process Name	Process 1: Hire New Employee	
What are a few major problems / frustrations with the process?	 Too many signatures Delayed approval loses our top candidates 	
Overall, how do these issues impact your organization's ability to serve its mission?	Unfilled positions leave us with too few hands to do our work	