



Organizational Change Management

Course Material

All projects are begun to introduce a change into the business, whether new processes, new technology or some combination of both. Many projects fail to realize the desired business benefits however, because not enough attention is paid to the "people side of change". This course will provide a basic introduction to the practice of Organizational Change Management (OCM) and the benefits of introducing it into your project management approach. We will discuss some of the key tenets of effective OCM and how you can begin to introduce them to enhance your project's value. Project management and OCM are complimentary, yet different disciplines. Find out how they should be leveraged together to increase successful adoption of change – after the project is closed.

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8:30 – 9:00 Introductions	8:30 – 9:00 Review
9:30 - 9:45 BREAK	10:00 – 10:15 BREAK
11:30 -12:30 LUNCH	11:30 -12:30 LUNCH
2:00 - 2:15 BREAK	2:00 - 2:15 BREAK
4:00 GO HOME	3:30 - 4:00 Exam and Evaluation

LESSON 1: WHAT IS ORGANIZATIONAL CHANGE MANAGEMENT ANYWAY?

Topic 1: Why Change? Topic 2: OCM vs. Change Control Topic 3: Definitions of the OCM Discipline Topic 4: What does it look like?

Student Learning Objectives

After completing this lesson you should be able to

- Understand how OCM supports change initiatives
- Distinguish OCM from Change Control and PM Change Management
- Identify OCM's role in Organizational Readiness

Approximate Presentation time: ½ hour

Topic 1: Why Change Management



There's an old saying that the only things you can count on are "death and taxes". In today's world, the only constant is CHANGE. We live in a world of technology and ever-shifting environments – from political to economic to cultural. Organizations need to be able to respond to such externally and internally driven changes with flexibility. Change initiatives drive projects, but are we truly prepared to ensure the success of the change and not just the project?

Prosci, Inc. is a leader in research and content creation in the field of Change Management. They annually prepare a benchmarking report revealing "Best Practices in Change Management". Their 2011 study was conducted by surveying 650 participants in 62 countries. Of those participants, 70% expect the rate of change at their organizations to increase in the next two years. (©2012 Prosci Inc.)

Think about all the influences that are affecting your organization today. How well prepared are you to adapt to that change effectively? Are you doing everything you can to ensure that change is not only implemented, but adopted and ingrained into your business?

Over the next two days we are going to look above and beyond the project to the entire scope and impact of the CHANGE. It's time to think outside of the **PM-BOX**!

Topic 1: Why Change Management



Industry studies have shown that projects fail due to a lack of strong project management structure and expertise. But, as we know, projects are driven by change initiatives. What is now being explored more carefully is how a structured approach to the "people side" of change is also needed.

Research indicates that companies continue to invest billions in new technology systems and integration. For instance, Gartner estimates that expenditures on new customer relationship management ("CRM") systems alone are expected to exceed \$1 billion by 2013*. Healthcare is another industry experiencing significant change. IDC Health Insights reports that spending by healthcare organizations on electronic health records ("EHR") is projected to reach nearly \$4.0 billion by 2015. Therefore, businesses that allocate significant dollars to change projects have a strong economic incentive to invest in a structured approach to change for employees given that the probability of achieving their desired business results is nearly six times higher for organizations effectively applying change management. (Prosci®)

Change management prepares the organization for the project impact, manages the transition from how we do things today to how they will be done tomorrow – and puts special efforts into reinforcing and anchoring the change into the everyday work and life of the organization.

Topic 1: Why Change Management



The reality is:

- Organizations introduce change through projects and initiatives
- Changes impact how individuals do their work
- Success of the change is dependent on the individuals doing their work differently

To understand the difference in focus between Organizational Change Management and Project Management requires us to take a broader view than we often do as Project Managers. If an organization desires a change that will improve customer satisfaction, one aspect could be to implement a website for customer feedback (the Project). Without some of the following change activities, the organization could fail to realize the results they desired.

- Clear communication around vision "I don't know why we are doing this."
- Coaching by supervisor level management "This doesn't pertain to me. I'm not on the project team. No reason to upset my work."
- Effective role-based training "I don't know how to use the new technology. My spreadsheets will work just fine." OR "We don't work in IT; our job is meeting with customers. That won't change."
- Comprehensive impact analysis "Our computers don't allow us to access the internet."

Are you considering the scope of the entire change or just the project?

Topic 2: OCM vs. Change Control



In the world of project management, the term change control (or management) is usually associated with two distinct types of change that could impact the project:

- In technology projects, it is critical that there be a structured process in place for introducing changes (e.g. new code or configurations) into the technical environment. This ensures that system performance is minimally impacted to reduce risk and that a defined back-out strategy is in place in case of failure as a result of the changes.
- Project managers also create processes to manage changes to scope of the project by requiring appropriate review and approval for change requests that could affect project cost or duration.

Organizational Change Management is a structured process to introduce change into the entire business organization by addressing the individual needs of all those impacted by the change – whether a participant in the actual project or not. Let's talk about the definition of OCM.

Topic 3: Definitions of the OCM Discipline



Project Management Institute (PMI) is a not-for-profit membership association for the project management profession. PMI's standards for project, program and portfolio management are the most widely recognized in the profession and are captured in *A Guide to the Project Management Body of Knowledge* (PMBOK[®]). The standards are developed and updated by thousands of PMI volunteers and provide *a common language for project management* professionals globally. Their definition of project management has come to be accepted as the seminal definition:

"...the application of knowledge, skills, tools and techniques to project activities to meet project requirements" (PMBOK Guide)

OCM does not yet have a similar governing body. A variety of methodologies and approaches are espoused by for-profit consulting and training organizations, which creates some challenges in establishing a true professional discipline. You will find a variety of definitions and terminologies as you read about OCM. Look for the consistent threads and basic concepts that will work in your environment.

Topic 3: Definitions of the OCM Discipline

What it is	What it is not
Managing the people side of change	Change control
Structured methodology similar to PM	A gauge for how technology works
A means to ensure that projects actually achieve the business objectives	Organizational Readiness

Topic 4: What does it look like?



At its most basic, Change is merely moving from where you are today to where you want to be in the future. Sounds simple, right? What are often not simple are the transitions that must be made to realize the benefits of the new and better you.

Maybe you have recognized that you aren't as healthy as you would like to be. It may be easy to envision a healthier, more energetic you; but the adjustments to lifestyle and established habits needed will be uncomfortable and stressful. You could give up before you get there or abandon the changes if you don't see immediate results.

By recognizing this, you are on your way to understanding how change in your organization also introduces uncertainty and fear. Managing that transition in a strategic and systematic way is critical to achieving success.

Look at the following example in the health care world:

By looking at the changes envisioned for this organization, can you begin to identify some of the challenges they may face? Without clearly understanding what these transitions will require for all level of worker (Leadership, Middle Managers, Supervisors, Front Line staff), the view of tomorrow may not be achieved to the extent it is planned.



Using a major change planned for your agency, let's begin to identify where there may be hurdles.

- What does the current world look like?
 - Who does the work?
 - How do they do it?
 - With whom do they interact?
 - How effective is the work today?
 - What is the leadership hierarchy?
- How do you envision the new world?
 - Will the workers change (number, role, skills, etc.)?
 - How will they do their work in the future (location, processes, systems, etc.)?
 - Will their constituent interactions change (face-to-face vs. on-line; will the population increase, decrease, change)?
 - Do you have expectations of improved effectiveness (new performance standards; more accountability; improved skills)?
 - Will the organization chart be revamped (new supervisors, team dynamics, more or less middle management)?

Organizational Change Management is a structured process to introduce change into the entire business organization by addressing the individual needs of all those impacted by the change – whether a participant in the actual project or not. Now let's put this to work in your world.

Exercise 1.1



Within your group, select a major change initiative that is planned (or ongoing) for your agency. Using the space below, briefly describe 2-3 major functions in the current world and how they will be different in your vision of the future once the change has been implemented.



Topic 5: Relationship to Organizational Readiness



Change management is an approach or a set of activities. Using Stephen Covey's habit #2, begin with the end in mind, you must focus on the desired outcome – which is for the organization to be ready to absorb and adopt the change. The term, "organization readiness" for purposes of our discussion is the desired outcome. OCM activities are very important, but if they don't lead to an increase in the organization's ability to accept change, a failure has occurred similar to projects that fail to meet requirements.

Organizational Change Management helps impacted people accept process, tool and business model changes through techniques such as communication, training and knowledge management. Organizational Readiness is broader, in that it uses those tactics as well as strong leadership, robust program activities and a focus on efficient, effective and mature work practices. Organizational Readiness is the operational effectiveness and workforce alignment that results from change management.

Change agents (OCM team members and supportive leadership) can influence employee readiness for organizational change. Readiness for change is recognized as the opposite of resistance to change. Readiness is generally described in terms of the organizational members' beliefs, attitudes, and intentions. These can be, and should be, influenced by the activities undertaken as part of the OCM framework.

Lesson 1 Summary: Learning Objectives Recap

• Understand how OCM supports change initiatives

Change management prepares the organization for the project impact, manages the transition from how we do things today to how they will be done tomorrow – and puts special efforts into reinforcing and anchoring the change into the everyday work and life of the organization.

• Distinguish OCM from Change Control and PM Change Management

Change control is a process to manage changes introduced into the project environment (technical or scope) that could create risk for the project. These changes are managed through documentation, review, escalation and approval activities.

OCM is a structured process focused on the "people side" of change; to assist in transitioning people from the current state to a desired future vision for the business.

• Identify OCM's role in Organizational Readiness

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LESSON 2: UNDERSTANDING THE OCM FRAMEWORK

Topic 1: Brief History

Topic 2: Various OCM Methodologies

Topic 3: Consistently Defined Concepts

Topic 4: ACMP

Student Learning Objectives

After completing this lesson you should

- Understand where the discipline of OCM is in its development
- Be familiar with various OCM methodologies
- Understand the basic precepts of OCM

Approximate Presentation time: 1 hour

Topic 1: Brief History of OCM





Topic 2: Various Methodologies



The field of OCM is somewhat like the old Wild West. There are many gun-toting experts out there who can sell you a methodology guaranteed to make your change successful. So, how do you know what you really need?

Without internationally adopted standards such as those driven by the Project Management Institute (PMI) or the International Organization of Standards (ISO), it can be confusing to know where to start. OCM is, relatively speaking, still in its infancy as a full-fledged, accredited professional designation. As you will see, there is any number of proprietary methodologies or systematic approaches to implementing change management, with some highly recognized and accepted leaders in the mix. Until the standards are developed to create that "baseline" of understanding and language, let's start by simply looking at a few of the most well-known.

Topic 2: Various Methodologies



One of the cornerstone models for understanding organizational change was developed by Kurt Lewin back in the 1950s, and still holds true today. His model is known as Unfreeze – Change – Refreeze, refers to the three-stage process of change he describes. Lewin, a physicist as well as social scientist, explained organizational change using the analogy of changing the shape of a block of ice.

Key Points

Lewin's change model is a simple and easy-to-understand framework for managing change.

By recognizing these three distinct stages of change, you can plan to implement the change required. You start by creating the motivation to change (unfreeze). You move through the change process by promoting effective communications and empowering people to embrace new ways of working (change). And the process ends when you return the organization to a sense of stability (refreeze), which is so necessary for creating the confidence from which to embark on the next, inevitable change.



Topic 2: Various Methodologies



Founded in 1994, Prosci began conducting formal change management studies in 1997, released in 1998. They have since performed a variety of studies over the next two decades producing the largest body of knowledge on change management. In 2001 Prosci released their first book for employee's titled the "Employee's Survival Guide to Change," and in 2003 Prosci began offering open enrollment certification programs for change management professionals. By 2006 the Prosci® ADKAR® Model had become increasingly popular world-wide, and Prosci formally presented the model in Jeff Hiatt's book, "ADKAR: A model for change in business, government and our community." They are widely accepted as having one of the leading methodologies and certification programs in the discipline.

ADKAR[®] is based on a five-step approach:

Awareness

• What is the nature of the change; need for change; risk of not changing

Desire

• What's in it for me (WIIFM)? - there is a personal choice involved

Knowledge

• Understanding how to change

• Learning new skills

Ability

- The demonstrated capability to implement the change
- Achievement of the desired change in performance or behavior

Reinforcement

- Actions that increase the likelihood that a change will be continued
- Recognition and rewards that sustain the change

Prosci[®], like Lewin, bases their model on three states of change:



For more information about their methodology and certification program, go to:

www.prosci.com

Topic 2: Various Methodologies



Gartner, Inc. is an American information technology research and advisory firm headquartered in Stamford, Connecticut, United States. (It was known as **GartnerGroup** until 2001.) It is an information technology research and advisory company providing technology related insight. Research provided by Gartner is targeted at CIOs and senior IT leaders in industries that include government agencies, high-tech and telecom enterprises, professional services firms, and technology investors.

They have identified a concept of change that is based on ten stages of struggle:

- Blame
- Denial
- Testing
- Suspicion
- Disbelief
- Hope Initial Action
- Hard Work
- Initial Success
- Acceptance
- Ongoing Improvement

One of their key lessons is that various stakeholders to change (sponsors, change agents and targets) will progress through the Change Struggles at different times. The decision-making and action processes associated with change mandate that different groups will be introduced to the idea of change at different times.

- Executives/Sponsors must initially approve the change. Logically they are the first group to reach a level of agreement that the change is necessary and will bring benefit.
- Change agents are engaged by the sponsors to help lead the change to successful results. They must also go through a transition process to be able to understand the scope of the impact of change and develop a workable strategy to address it.
- Finally, are the targets of change. They are generally the last to know, and will potentially feel the most impact. This group should be given time, information and tools to be able to adapt to the change.

It is critical to understand the varying progressions through the cycle.

What you can do:

- Ensure that your sponsors are aware of the time necessary to bring targets to a level of Hope/Initial Action.
- Build steps in your communication plan to measure key constituents at every step to gauge where they are in the progression and how you need to align your message.
- Create cross functional collaboration (project management, business process expertise, change management expertise and human resource expertise) to reach optimum acceptance.

Topic 2: Various Methodologies



Change Guides is one of many consulting firms that have developed their own methodology to support businesses with change initiatives. They have an extensive library of tools (some of which you will be using today) that are easily obtainable on their website at a low cost.

For more information on resources available from Change Guides, visit:

www.ChangeGuidesLLC.com

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Topic 3: Consistent Concepts



A globally accepted language or methodology for OCM is not yet in place. As a result, one can find a variety of approaches presented by a myriad of consulting organizations. Prosci is the sole not-for-profit organization dedicated to content development and data gathering in the world of OCM.

Through this review of some of the most well-known leaders in the industry, there are some comparable, recurring tenets. Whether you adopt a 3-step, 5-step, 8-step or 10-step process, there are some key elements to an effective OCM approach.

Successful change management is more likely to occur if the following are included:

- 1. Create a strong business case for the change; one that is clearly aligned with the business mission and strategic goals of the organization and can show why the change must be done (and why NOW).
- 2. Consider the comprehensive impacts of the change not just those associated with technology or a new business process.
- 3. Effective communications that informs various stakeholders of the reasons for the change (why?), the benefits of successful implementation (what is in it for us, and you) as well as the details of the change (when? where? who is involved? how much will it cost? etc.)
- 4. Devise an effective education, training and/or skills upgrading scheme for the organization

- 5. Counter resistance from the employees and align them to overall strategic direction of the organization
- 6. Provide personal counseling (if required) to alleviate any change-related fears
- 7. Monitoring of the implementation and fine-tuning as required

Exercise 2.1: Key Benefits and Concepts of OCM

Group Exercise:

Topic 4: ACMP



The Association of Change Management Professionals (ACMP) is a new organization. Their website states their mission as:

ACMP is dedicated to advancing the discipline and profession of change management practices that support the success of individual and organizational change for the realization of intended business results.

Some facts about the organization:

- Born from the interest of 200 attendees at the 2009 Global Conference on Change
- Incorporated as a not for profit professional membership organization 2011
- ACMP Membership has grown to over 1400 members across all seven continents in two years and continues to grow!
- ACMP is the leading resource for access to change management education, information and networking.

- ACMP is leading development of the first global standard in change management and subsequent professional credential – The Certified Change Management Professional (CCMP[®]).
- ACMP's vibrant virtual community connects you with thousands of change practitioners and service providers giving you instant access to information and best practices for managing change.
- ACMP's Annual Global Change Management Conference is recognized as the leading education and professional networking conference for change thought leaders and practitioners around the world for discovery and experience of new trends and best practices in change management.

For additional information, go to:

http://www.acmpglobal.org

Lesson 2 Summary: Learning Objectives Recap

• Understand where the discipline of OCM is in its development

OCM is a relatively young discipline; only broadly adopted in the late 90s and early 2000s. There is not currently a common language or methodology that has been accepted globally. Most sources for OCM training and tools are provided by for-profit consulting organizations at this time.

• The Association of Change Management Professionals was incorporated as a not-for-profit professional organization in 2011. They began work in October 2012 on the first global standard in change management and subsequent professional credential – The Certified Change Management Professional (CCMP[®]).

• Be familiar with various OCM methodologies

There are a number of leading organizations providing proprietary approaches and training in the OCM discipline. Some of the most notable names in the industry and the basic steps in their approaches are listed in the table below:

Lewin	Prosci	Kotter
Unfreeze	Awareness	Create Urgency
Change	Desire	Form a Powerful Coalition
Refreeze	Knowledge	Create a Vision for Change
	Ability	Communicate the Vision
	Reinforcement	Remove Obstacles
		Create Short-term Wins
		Build on the Change
		Anchor the Changes

• Understand the basic precepts of OCM

Basic concepts of OCM theory:

- Know why you are changing
- Understand how it will impact the organization
- Recognize and address resistance to change
- Plan activities that will prepare people for the change
- Assess and reinforce the change

Notes

LESSON 3: PROJECT MANAGEMENT VS. OCM

Topic 1: A different focus

Topic 2: How OCM relates to PMBOK®

Topic 3: OCM Skill Sets and Roles

Topic 4: Integrated Processes

Topic 5: Shared Goals and Challenges

Student Learning Objectives

After completing this lesson you should be able to

- Understand how OCM process relates to Project Management
- Identify the skill sets needed for OCM team members
- Understand how to integrate OCM tasks into a project plan

Approximate Presentation time: 2 hours

Topic 1: A different focus?



"...too many organizations, when forming their project teams, make the incorrect assumption that project managers (PMs) and/or business analysts (BAs) will handle OCM. But these people have far too many other responsibilities to be able to devote the necessary time and energy to do an effective job at OCM. And with all due respect to their capabilities, they cannot possibly have sufficient knowledge of, and experience with OCM... Change projects fail because of organizational resistance almost twice as often as they do because of any technical issue, including poor project management. It appears almost irresponsible to convey a message that says that focusing on the steps of the project management process is sufficient to ensure success." *The Need to Integrate Project Management and Organizational Change by Henry Hornstein, March/April 2012* Ivey Business Journal

Success in Project Management is as much about creating ownership and shared meaning as it is about following the process steps. Project management needs to consider the entire lifecycle of a system, to extend its thinking beyond design and development.

Project management and change management each contribute a critical ingredient to successful change. Although they vary in terms of focus and approach, each are essential in order to navigate the transition state to reach a future state. ©2012 Prosci
Topic 1: A different focus?

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	Goal or Objective
"The change"	To improve the organization in some fashion – for instance reducing costs, improving revenues, solving problems, solving opportunities, aligning work and strategy, streamlining information flow within the organization
Project Management	To develop a set of specific plans and actions to achieve "the change" given time cost and scope constraints and to utilize resources effectively (managing the "technical" side of the change)
Change Management	To apply a systematic approach to helping the individuals impacted by "the change" to be successful by building support, addressing resistance and developing the required knowledge and ability to implement the change (managing the 'people' side of the change

Definition: Definition: Change management is the application of processes and tools to manage the people side of change from a current state to a new future state such that the desired results of the change (and expected return on investment) are achieved. Project management is the application of knowledge, skills, tools and techniques to project activities to meet project requirements. *From PROSCI® *From PMBOK® Guide Intent: To ensure that the solution is embraced, adopted and used by employees impacted by the change Intent: To ensure that the solution is embraced, adopted and used by employees impacted by a project or initiative (those who must adopt and use the change) Focus: Employees impacted by a project or initiative (those who must adopt and use the change) Focus: Scaling factors: Characteristics of the change, attributes of impacted organizations, degree of "people" change required Scaling factors: Process: From the PROSCI® 3-Phase Process From PMBOK® Guide • Phase 1 – Preparing for change • Phase 2 – Managing change • Planning • Phase 3 – Reinforcing change** • Executing • Monitoring and controlling	he
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 Individual change model Readiness assessments Statement of Work Project Charter 	
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Coaching plans Gantt chart Gudget estimations	
Training plans Budget estimations	
Resistance management Resource allocation	
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Change management includes a system of "doers" Project management is typically practiced by a project	

throughout the organization, not just change management practitioners, including:	manager and a project team assigned to a specific project or initiative.
 Executives and senior leaders: sponsoring the change Managers and supervisors: coaching their direct reports through the change 	 Project managers: manage the tasks, activities and resources to execute the technical side of the effort Project team: comprised of subject matter experts and representatives from the organization



There are four knowledge areas in Project Management that have been linked to OCM:

<u>Project Integration Management</u> coordinates the other areas to work together throughout the project.

<u>Project Scope Management</u> is a set of processes used to ensure that the project includes all of the requirements and no new requirements are added in a way that could harm the project.

<u>Human Resource Management</u> includes all of the processes used to develop, manage and put the project team together.

<u>Communication Management</u> determines what information is needed, how that information will be sent and managed, and how project performance will be reported.

There could be an argument for including one more:

<u>Quality Management</u> ensures that the project meets its requirements, or does what it is expected to do.

Project management quality however, is generally restricted to validating that the "product" implemented performs in the way defined during Requirements gathering. The product may perform as designed, but if it is not adopted and absorbed into the business environment effectively, then the change has not been successful.

We will look at each of the PMBOK[®] processes within the four knowledge areas to see where the touch points are between PM and OCM.



<u>Develop Project Charter</u> – The charter for the project should include an agreed upon approach and strategy for OCM. Later in this course, we will identify some of the key elements that should be included and look at whether or not one charter is sufficient for a complex OCM initiative.

<u>Develop Project Management Plan</u> – Again, OCM must be included as a key area of work in the plan. Depending on the scope of OCM to be utilized, you may want to create a separate OCM plan. More information on this later as well....

<u>Monitor and Control Project Work</u> – OCM activities should be managed and tracked similarly to PM activities. Outputs from this process (status and milestones) will become inputs to the OCM process for developing communication materials and assessing employee awareness and readiness for the change.

<u>Close Project Phase</u> – This phase serves as a milestone for OCM. Much of the OCM work will be done post-project close; to begin tracking adoption of the product into the environment. Transfer of ownership to the business should be communicated effectively. Many sectors of the organization will only celebrate success when they begin to realize the benefits of the change, which may not come immediately.



<u>Collect Requirements</u> – There is often a tendency to focus success metrics on the performance of new tools, rather than processes. Spend time with the business owner to understand their expectations of the benefits from the change investment. Make sure that success metrics are captured to reflect:

- Possible savings due to reductions in overhead costs (imaging vs. paper documents)
- Anticipated timelines for realization of benefits
- Reduction in time to process transactions, improving business processes
- Improvements in customer satisfaction (from x% Very Satisfied to y %)

<u>Define Scope</u> – Include OCM processes and activities within the scope of the project during early planning stages; not as an afterthought when problems arise.

<u>Develop Schedule</u> – Develop an integrated schedule to reflect both PM and OCM activities. Consider interdependencies between the activities and make certain all parties have signed-off on the commitments. Think about early wins that can be communicated to increase organization readiness for the change.

<u>Verify Scope</u> – Use OCM metrics to assess performance of the entire change effort – not just development of the project product.



<u>Develop Human Resource Plan</u> - PMBOK[®] focuses on the Human Resource needs of the project team, and managing that team throughout the project. OCM takes a broader view and looks at the Human Resource needs of the organization to effectively respond to the change. Make certain that a Human Resource SME is included in the planning for the change. They can provide valuable expertise in defining the scope of the change, as well as guidance on how to coach and train staff.

<u>Acquire Project Team</u> – Ensure that resources are identified and committed for OCM as well. Consider the different skill sets from those required to deliver the project. Don't rely exclusively on technical resources to perform change management activities. Once you have assessed the level of change impact (see Lesson 4), determine the roles and skills needed.

<u>Develop Project Team</u> – Many organizations will have a mature level of understanding around Project Management, but lack knowledge of OCM. Executives and managers will need to be included early and given orientation and training to their roles in change management.

<u>Manage Project Team</u> – It is important to remember that the OCM team will continue to support the change after the project is closed out. Make certain you have a structure in place for continued tracking and reporting on adoption success.



<u>Identify Stakeholders</u> – Expand the view of stakeholder analysis to ensure you have considered everyone who will be impacted by the change, rather than focusing on the project alone. Begin to develop a repository of information about key leaders in your organization and how they support change efforts. This will help to identify champions for change in future efforts.

<u>Plan Communication</u> – Develop communication strategies that will address both project and change objectives. Create a sponsor roadmap to ensure that continuous coaching and "cheerleading" occurs before, during and after the project. Tailor communication for WIIFM and individual change messages.

<u>Distribute Information</u> – Be creative and use a wide variety of communication vehicles.

<u>Manage Stakeholder Expectations</u> – Focus on business objectives. Make certain there is a clear understanding between the business and the project team about expectations for success. (Will the business owner call it a success if their employees are frustrated and don't understand new processes or tools?) Manage resistance and escalate when appropriate.

<u>Report Performance</u> – Don't forget to include progress against OCM tasks and milestones.



Expand the information you gather during planning for your Stakeholder Register. An OCM sponsor cannot participate merely by reviewing deliverables and attending Steering Committee Meetings. They must be a visible champion for the changes to the organization. Managers must assist in actively coaching their staff on the new way of conducting business. Make sure you know which leaders will be the best to perform these activities.

Consider:

- Are they familiar with OCM?
- Will they be comfortable being an active and visible sponsor?
- How have they managed changes in the past?
- Are they good communicators?
- Do the employees have respect for them?
- How much control do they have over the areas impacted?

Exercise 3.1 Stakeholder Analysis



Stakeholder Case Study

As Bob walked into his office, he thought about his last meeting. The meeting had gone well. His executive team had presented an ambitious plan to the board and gained their approval to move ahead. After six months of analysis and discussion, the executive team had proposed a major restructuring and process improvement initiative. In order to save the hospital system, they would close two buildings, going from seven to five. They would create new standardized processes across all the hospitals for things like registering patients and ordering lab work. This initiative would help them become financially solvent. It also would set the foundation for improved patient service.

Their current situation could no longer be tolerated. Being an urban healthcare system, they were heavily dependent on Medicare and Medicaid reimbursement. That reimbursement had continued to decline and they needed a way to cut costs and work more efficiently. Every month they spent more than they took in. In addition, each of the seven hospitals worked independent of the others. Each had their own unique processes and systems. Some worked better than others.

A few employees knew something was amiss. They'd seen the consultants roaming the halls. Some had been interviewed about their work. Managers, close to the executive team, knew about some of the basic recommendations. Communication up to this point had mostly been hearsay and rumors. Now, there was finally a decision to communicate.

This ambitious initiative would take several years to complete. A lot of people would be affected and it would take a lot of people for it to succeed. As Bob sat at his desk reflecting on the work ahead, his phone rang. One of his executives, Amy, was on the other end. Amy was concerned about the physicians' reaction. They were not employees of the hospital but their support was critical. Some physicians would need to move out of one building and into another. Their offices, staff and equipment would be moved. What if they protested? He understood Amy's concern and told her they would meet soon to think about all the groups impacted by this project. As he hung up the phone, he wondered about Dr. Jones. They had kept her informed during this process, and she seemed to understand the need for the change. Maybe she could be an ally.

Bob sent an email to the executive team. Luckily, the executive team represented all divisions of the hospital system. He was sure that they would bring diverse perspectives on who would be impacted. He needed their ideas on who would be affected and how to get them on board.

Bob started to think about who would be impacted. Their healthcare system was a large employer in the city. Anything this big would get people's attention, both inside and outside the system. After he hung up the phone, he started to make a list of individuals and groups that might have unique concerns and questions.

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Role & Issues Function Concerns								
Name								

Exercise 3.2 Stakeholder Analysis





Topic 3: OCM Skill Sets and Tools

Project Manager	OCM and Team
Communication skills	Communicationskills
Team Building	Change Management competency (facilitation)
Conflict Management	Conflict Resolution
Industry and Solution Knowledge	InterpersonalSkills
Time Management	Operational Awareness

Consider sample skills that may be needed for a project team:

Technology Implementation:	Developer Infrastructure Architect Business Analyst Technical Writer Web Designer
<u>Construction</u> :	Concrete work Welder Machinist Electrical Engineer Architect Crew Foreman
<u>Merger</u> :	Financial analyst Legal analyst Contracts specialist Organizational Branding expert Activity Based Costing consultant Facilities appraiser

Without focused and dedicated OCM resources, the changes that initiated the projects may not have an opportunity for success. The Project Manager's organizational and time management skills – coupled with their industry knowledge – will provide them with the ability to effectively manage the identified resources to meet the project objectives. The "people side" of the change requires an understanding of the change impacts and resources that can exclusively address the needs of the individuals impacted.

Topic 3: OCM Skills Sets and Tools

Project Management	Organizational Change Management
Business Case	Organizational Assessments
Project Charter	Stakeholder mapping
Budget Estimations	Communication and coaching plans
Work Breakdown Structure	Training programs
Resource Allocations	Sponsorship Road Map
Scheduling and tracking	Reinforcement activities

When an OCM methodology is applied, there can be clear delineation of responsibilities between the Project Manager and Organizational Change Manager. Some of the plans that have historically been the responsibility of the Project Manager can, and should, be reallocated. The chart shows those deliverables that could be easily broken out between the two teams – keeping in mind that those assigned to OCM must continue to address the project needs.

Topic 4: Integrated Processes



Integration between the state's Enterprise Performance Life Cycle (Plan, Build, Run) and Project Management Process Groups (Initiate, Plan, Execute, Monitor & Control, Close) has been presented in the *Managing by the EPLC* Project Management course. OCM has a similar three-stage approach – Prepare, Manage, Reinforce. The spacing on this chart reflects the fact that both EPLC and OCM continue on beyond the close of the project. The methodologies are complimentary and should be looked at as parallel, yet interdependent.

OCM focuses on the broader picture of the entire change, which could be supported by one or more projects

- Implementation of a new software system to gather data and provide reports;
- Development of agency policies for handling new business program;
- Renovation and build-out of additional office space;
- Staffing restructure to consolidate regional offices into headquarters

The resources that implement OCM must also be committed to the entire scope of the effort. A project is defined as a temporary endeavor designed to produce a unique product, service or result with a defined beginning and end, undertaken to meet unique goals and objectives. Once the

unique product or service has been delivered, the project is closed and project resources are generally released to move on to the next project.

A key tenet of OCM is reinforcement to ensure use and adoption of the change(s) implemented. OCM resources must remain in place (even if only on a part-time basis) to conduct or monitor follow-up activities geared to gathering success metrics. Without analysis to show how, or if, change has been integrated into the organization's daily business it will be difficult, if not impossible, to determine whether the goals and objectives were achieved. The size and complexity of the change again define the duration of time needed for monitored reinforcement.

Topic 5: Shared Goals and Challenges



Another similarity between Project Management and OCM is their shared challenges. Neither the organizational change nor the project initiative will be successful without:

- Effective Communication
- Stakeholder Buy-in
- Leadership Support

OCM takes a somewhat more proactive approach in that it identifies the OCM role of managing the sponsor and managers. Managers especially have not typically been trained on how to coach their staff through change. Prosci[®] focuses heavily on the importance of defining a Sponsor Roadmap based on an assessment of the organization and the change impact.

Exercise 3.3 PM vs. OCM



Exercise 3.3 – Project Management vs. OCM (a real-world application)

Each team will be given a different life event to discuss. Using the columns below, list the areas of concern or focus for a project manager versus those that an organizational change manager would consider:

Lesson 3 Summary: Learning Objectives Recap

- Understand how OCM process relates to Project Management
 - PM focuses on implementing the change; OCM focuses on ensuring that individuals are successful in adopting the change and absorbing it into their environment
 - There is a close relation to four of the PMBOK[®] knowledge areas:
 - Integration Management
 - Scope Management
 - Human Resource Management
 - Communications Management
- Identify the skill sets needed for OCM team members
 - The key skills needed for OCM resources are:
 - Communication skills
 - Change Management competency
 - Flexibility
 - Interpersonal Skills
- Understand how to integrate OCM and PM processes
 - The EPLC, Project Management Process areas and OCM Processes are related and interdependent
 - \circ $\;$ Both EPLC and OCM extend beyond the completion of the project
 - Key tools for OCM:
 - Organizational Assessments
 - Stakeholder mapping
 - Communication and coaching plans
 - Training programs
 - Sponsorship roadmap
 - Reinforcement activities
 - Both OCM and PM share the challenges of having effective communication and strong leadership support

Notes

LESSON 4: DEFINING THE SCOPE OF OCM

Topic 1: Assessing the Scope of Change

Topic 2: Change Impact and Risk Management

Topic 3: OCM in Your Organization

Student Learning Objectives

After completing this lesson you should be able to

- Understand the impact of change
- Assess potential impacts and risks for change initiatives
- Identify the level of change management needed
- Recognize Organizational Change Structures





The Change Curve

The Change Curve model describes the four stages most people go through as they adjust to change. You can see this in figure 1, below. When a change is first introduced, people's initial reaction may be shock or denial, as they react to the challenge to the status quo. This is stage 1 of the Change Curve. Once the reality of the change starts to hit, people tend to react negatively and move to stage 2 of the Change Curve: They may fear the impact; feel angry; and actively resist or protest against the changes. Some will wrongly fear the negative consequences of change. Others will correctly identify real threats to their position. As a result, the organization experiences disruption which, if not carefully managed, can quickly spiral into chaos. - See more at: http://www.mindtools.com/pages/article/newPPM_96.htm#sthash.O003H9ZM.dpuf

For as long as people resist the change and remain at stage 2 of the Change Curve, the change will be unsuccessful, at least for the people who react in this way. This is a stressful and unpleasant stage. For everyone, it is much healthier to move to stage 3 of the Change Curve, where pessimism and resistance give way to some optimism and acceptance. Tip: It's easy just to think that people resist change out of sheer awkwardness and lack of vision. However you need to recognize that for some, change may affect them negatively in a very real way that you may not have foreseen. For example, people who've developed expertise in (or have earned a position of respect from) the old way of doing things can see their positions severely undermined by change. At stage 3 of the Change Curve, people stop focusing on what they have lost. They start to let go, and accept the changes. They begin testing and exploring what the changes mean, and so learn the reality of what's good and not so good, and how they must adapt. By stage 4, they not only accept the changes but also start to embrace them: They rebuild their ways of working. Only when people get to this stage can the organization can really start to reap the benefits of change. - See more at: http://www.mindtools.com/pages/article/newPPM_96.htm#sthash.O003H9ZM.dpuf

Topic 1: Assessing the Scope of Change



These factors determine the outcome of any transformation initiative.

D. The **duration** of time until the change program is completed if it has a short life span; if not short, the amount of time between reviews of milestones.

I. The project team's performance **integrity**; that is, its ability to complete the initiative on time. That depends on members' skills and traits relative to the project's requirements.

C. The **commitment** to change that top management (C1) and employees affected by the change (C2) display.

E. The effort over and above the usual work that the change initiative demands of employees.

Topic 1: Assessing the Scope of Change



Steps for completing the P-P-P-P blank sheet exercise:

- 1. Start with a blank sheet of paper.
- 2. Divide the paper into four columns.
- 3. Label the first column "Project name" and answer the question: *What is the project?*
- 4. Label the second column "Purpose" and answer the question: Why are we changing?
- 5. Label the third column "Particulars" and answer the question: What are we changing?
- 6. Label the fourth column "People" and answer the question: *Who will be changing*?
- 7. Finally, pose the question: How much of the "Purpose" can be achieved if the "People" do not adopt the change to their day-to-day work? Or, said another way, what percentage of the "Purpose" of this project is dependent upon the "People" doing their jobs differently?

Change management connection:

The connection to change management is how dependent the "Purpose" is on the "People" changing their behaviors. For every project or initiative, success is determined by how effectively those individuals in the final column adopt and embrace the change to how they do their jobs. When you use the exercise with a project team, you are forcing them to think about the individual impacts of their project or initiative.

On a single sheet of paper, this exercise allows you to make the **connection** between the project, the intended outcomes, the specific technical changes and the individuals and groups who must adopt the change.



Change management connection:

The change management connection for this exercise is the perspective of change on **two levels** - the organizational level and the individual level. In the exercise, you use a fairly simple and accessible model (the three states of change) as the foundation for examining the Future State at the organizational and the individual levels.

You may find that your project team can instantly define the Future State from the organization's perspective, but struggle to even begin defining individual Future States. This exercise can be eye opening for many who have always thought about change strictly in terms of the organizational perspective. On a single sheet of paper you are able to introduce the individual level of change and start the discussion about how to best facilitate these changes. Prosci® Exercise 4.1

The Four Ps

Topic 1: Assessing the Scope of Change



A combination of the organization's culture and history with previous changes has a direct linkage to the risk of successful change. If the employees do not trust that their leadership will handle the change well (i.e. equitably treat staff that will be impacted by the change), it will be difficult to obtain their buy-in.

After completing the assessments of the impact and the environment, it may be advisable to delay or cancel implementation of the change. Similar to a project risk assessment, these factors should be taken into consideration when planning the project schedule, resources and activities.

Topic 2: Assessing the Readiness for Change

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OCM methodologies and strategies use a variety of tools to assist you throughout the assessment and implementation process. This is an example of one tool to help you evaluate your organization's readiness to accept your change initiative. There are no "right" or "wrong" answers – just an honest assessment of where you are and what level of engagement will be needed to move the needle. Here is a description of the tool and how to use it:

WHAT:

• The Change Readiness Audit is a survey that evaluates the level of organizational readiness for change.

WHY:

- To shape the Change Management strategy by helping the team determine what activities will best target areas for improvement
- To highlight issues and areas that need further investigation
- To help the project team focus on critical areas
- To take a snapshot of how effectively change is being implemented

WHEN:

- Conduct the audit during planning for the change
- Update or reference the audit throughout the project

HOW:

- Determine whether a formal or informal Change Readiness Audit is required (A formal assessment is recommended when a thorough, data-driven and robust assessment is needed. An informal assessment may be appropriate when time and resources are short and a more subjective assessment is adequate.)
 - If a formal assessment is needed:
 - Define the target audience that will be impacted by the change
 - Define the survey population (either a random sample of the target audience or only specific elements or levels of target audiences)
 - Define the approach for implementing the survey (written, electronic or focus groups and survey combined)
 - o Administer survey
 - Prepare a summary of the assessment findings and present the results to project leaders and stakeholders
 - Determine what areas need further investigation and use other assessments as needed
 - Develop action plans to address any item or category that has several "no" or "somewhat" answers
 - Incorporate actions into a Change Management Work plan
 - If the Change Readiness Audit is being used as an informal assessment:
 - On a regular basis or when issues arise, review the checklist and answer questions with individuals or small groups to determine areas of risk
 - Determine what areas need further investigation and use other assessments as needed
 - Develop action plans to address any item or category that has several "no" or "somewhat" answers
 - Modify the Change Management Work plan if necessary
 - o Routinely assess organizational readiness for the change by scoring the checklist



Successful Outcomes

- When checks on the assessment tool move from "no" or "somewhat" to "yes"
- When the team agrees on actions that develop areas not yet ready for change and that leverage areas already prepared for change

Exercise 4.2 - Assessing the Readiness for Successful Change

Complete the following form for your change initiative:

$m >\!\! >$ The Tool: Change Readiness Audit

	Yes	Somewhat	No
Vision and Business Case			
Is there a complete and unambiguous vision / future state?			
Are employees excited about the future?			
Do people understand how the change will benefit customers and stakeholders?			
Is there a clear expectation of what successful change looks like?			
Is there a clear understanding of the need for change?			
Are there consistent and supportive messages from management on the need for change?			
Engagement			
Is there recognition of who needs to be committed to the change in order to be successful?			
Is there adequate participation by middle and lower managers in designing the future state?			
Are there allowances for ensuring that involvement will not cause undue stress on the organization?			
Is there a safe outlet for feedback including reactions, concerns and comments?			
Leadership			
Is there a leadership team that is accountable for the success of the change?			
Do leaders demonstrate commitment to the change through actions as well as words?			
Are leaders willing to commit resources to the implementation and sustainability of the change?			
Do leaders invest their personal time and attention to following through on actions related to the change?			

Implementation Effectiveness		
Are there enough resources to carry out the strategies (people, time and money)?		
Are there well trained people with time available within the company to carry out / apply the tools?		
Is there a means of measuring successful change?		
Sustainability		
Is there an understanding of how to sustain the change through modifying HR systems (such as staffing, training, appraisal, rewards, communication)?		
Have new measurement and reward systems been implemented?		
Have new training and development systems been implemented?		
Is the organization structure appropriate for the future state?		
Does the organization have the skills / competencies to get the job done?		
Is there understanding of how to sustain the change among leaders?		
Is there a plan for adapting the change over time to shifting circumstances?		
Topic 2: Change Impact and Risk Management



In addition to the knowledge areas discussed earlier (Lesson 3), the area of Risk Management should be considered:

- Potential risk of the change not being accepted or adopted by staff/customers/stakeholders is often identified in project risk logs. Without conducting the environmental and organizational assessments recommended by OCM however, appropriate, targeted risk mitigation strategies cannot be identified.
- If OCM methodology is not utilized for projects that have a potential for large impact, this should be identified as a risk to achieving full benefits from the investment.

Topic 2: Change Impact and Risk Management

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Similar to the risk log maintained for the Project Management Plan, OCM risks should be captured and managed in a document available to all team members and for Sponsor level reporting. This sample log shows the type of information needed. If the project and change are being managed together, risks can also be managed together. Just be certain that all risks are given equal consideration and appropriate data is maintained.

Following is a sample OCM risk evaluation structure that was used by the **Northumberland County Council in the UK** to evaluate risks for the coal mining industry. (For a copy of their *Toolkit for Organisational Change*, view <u>http://jisc.cetis.ac.uk/</u> and search for "toolkit".)

Qualitative measures of Consequence or Impact			Qualitative measures of Likelihood		
Level	Descriptor	Example detail description	Level	Descriptor	Example detail description
5	Catastrophic	Death, toxic release off-site w/detrimental effect, huge financial loss	5	Almost certain	Is expected to occur in most circumstances
4	Major	Extensive injuries, loss of production capability, off-site release w/no detrimental effects, major financial loss	4	Likely	Will probably occur in most circumstances
3	Moderate	Medical treatment required, on-site release immediately contained w/outside assistance, high financial loss	3	Possible	Might occur at some time
2	Minor	First aid treatment, on-site release immediately contained, medium financial loss	2	Unlikely	Could occur at some time
1	Insignificant	No injuries, low financial loss	1	Rare	May occur only in exceptional circumstances

Topic 3: OCM in your organization



It is not unusual to see "lack of user buy-in" as a standard risk on technology projects. Without implementing OCM best practice to assess the level of anticipated resistance however, mitigation strategies identified will be guesses, at best.

The most prevalent approaches to offset resistance are generally training and/or communication. In both instances it is important to understand more about the true impacts of the change to better target appropriate audiences with an appropriate message.

Make certain that the impacts have been analyzed and captured as a risk, even if structured OCM is not implemented in your business. The lack of focus on OCM should also be identified as a critical risk, when not addressed as part of the approach to change.

How much project management is needed?	How much change management is needed?
Depends on the complexity and degree of change to processes, systems, organization tructure	Depends on the amount of disruption created in individual employee's day-to-day work and the organization attributes like culture, value system and history with past changes

Scale the level of OCM methodology to the complexity and impacts of the change. Some projects may not create a broad impact to the organization. By conducting some level of initial impact assessment, you can begin to tailor the amount of OCM structure needed. At least some consideration should be given to the "people side" of change during the development of the Business Case or early project planning.



OCM analysis can also drive decisions regarding the way the change implementation team is structured.

For projects that are low impact, low complexity and shorter in duration, the structure of having the change management team as a subset of the project management team may be the best solution for your organization. If however, there are broad impacts (both internal to the organization and externally to customers and other constituents) and the change is highly complex, you may need to consider having a separate, dedicated change management staff with no other project-related responsibilities.

There is no right or wrong answer. Use planning analysis results to support the most viable recommendations for your environment.

Exercise 4.3:

Instructions:

Read the Case Study below, and answer the following questions:

What is the scope of the change being planned?

How complex is the change? Give examples of process, technology, job roles, business model, etc.

Based on the information in the study, can you thoroughly assess the environment? If so, what did you find? If not, what additional inputs might you need to do so?

What change risks have you identified?

What change structure would you recommend, and why?

Case Study – Speedy Office Supplies Web Expansion Project

Company Overview

Speedy Office Supplies has been in business for 15 years and is recognized as the leader in discount office supplies. We have a reputation of providing high quality products at reasonable prices and offering superior customer service. We are selling to corporate clients, governmental agencies, and individuals. Our customers are served by over 40,000 employees through direct sales, catalogs, e-commerce and more than 2,000 stores. Eighty percent of our business is currently done in our 2,000 retail stores.

Over the past five years the Retail Store Division has shown a steady decline in sales and profitability; energy costs have increased by 30% for our fleet vehicles and retail stores; employee health care costs have increased by 75% and continue to rise. Market trends and customer preferences are indicating that customers desire the ability to order their products on-line at times convenient to them. The SOS management team believes if we phase-out the Retail Store Division and replace it with a web-based ordering system and consolidation of our distribution network, we anticipate a savings of nearly 10 million dollars per year. This would also need to integrate into the existing supply chain systems. Customer satisfaction surveys also indicate a favorable reaction to the concept of webbased sales, which could increase our current sales by at least 25% over the next 5 years. Based on this information SOS management has made a decision to close all the brick and mortar stores within 18 months. We believe this decision will significantly cut costs and that we can be just as successful selling our products on our website.

Currently orders for products are received via in-store requests, phone calls, or catalog mailin from customers. We access our online system to check inventory, prices, and estimated shipping dates. If the order total is over \$100,000 we turn it over to a supervisor. We then call the Credit Card Authorization Company to check the customer's credit card account. If the credit card charge is authorized we enter the order into the system. The current system is an old mainframe application and is very cumbersome.

There are purchasing agreements, special discounts, and payment terms for our clients purchasing over \$50,000 per year. In the past, we have billed these customers on a monthly basis, providing them with a detailed listing by location of their purchases. We want to make it easier for them to pay via credit card each time they place an order to increase our cash flow and lower our Accounts Receivable. If possible, we still want to provide select customers the same reporting on a monthly basis for their purchases by location.

Federal Express and UPS are currently bidding on the exclusive rights for delivery of all customer office supplies. Each company is proposing an online interface to track shipments, including the name of the person who signs for the delivery. The shipment will need to have a label and detailed purchase order slip with the package. The cost of shipping is determined by the size of the package, weight, location, insurance, and timeliness of delivery. The customer will need an accurate shipping cost at the time of purchase.

Project Request

Our main focus for this project is to create the shopping experience for our retail customer on the website and to place product orders on the Internet. We want to have real time information regarding product description; quantities; pricing; availability; payment processing; shipping method options with associated costs; delivery date; and order tracking. All information currently available at the retail stores and in the catalogs should be available and consistent with the Internet.

It would be nice if there were a place on the Internet for the customer to build a profile and store frequently purchased items in a list to use for future purchases. This would be very beneficial for large organizations that purchase the same products frequently.

We envision using our existing customer number and allowing each customer to create a password to ensure security. Anyone could look at the products online, but only registered customers would be allowed to place orders. The web site should have search ability by several options: product item number (from the catalog), product type, color, and size.

Hopefully when a customer places an order the software would quickly calculate a shipping charge and present the order total to the customer. We would not allow orders totaling more than \$1000 to be placed on the web. The software should also email a confirmation to the customer if requested.

Departments Involved

The Marketing Department is responsible for customer reporting and the negotiations for preferred customer status including volume discounts. Our largest customers receive one monthly bill for all their departments' purchases and a report showing the detailed purchases. Additionally, marketing maintains the customer profiles, which are used to process orders, verify billing information, discounts, and reduce redundancy by eliminating the need for the customer to always enter their company information.

The **Customer Service Department** will need access to all information regarding customer orders to assist with the web site usage and handle any possible complaints.

Accounts Receivable is responsible for processing and sending bills to our preferred customers. The web ordering system will need to notify accounts receivable when one of our preferred customers request their order to be direct billed. Some customers have negotiated payment terms and discount rates based on volumes. They work with the Collections Department for any outstanding receivables beyond 90 days. On a monthly basis Accounts Receivable produces an aging report.

Inventory Management is impacted by a reduction in inventory from placed orders and an increase in inventory from cancellations and returns. They are responsible for managing the inventory and placing orders with vendors. Inventory Management is also responsible for handling returns, including items that have to be returned to the suppliers as defective.

Order Fulfillment receives an order notification from the order processing system containing all necessary information required to assemble the order. They are responsible for producing the packaging slips, retrieving the supplies, assembling the order into a bin or crate, and delivering the order to the Shipping Department.

The **Shipping Department** receives the order from the Order Fulfillment department and prepares the order for shipment. The packing slip contains the shipping method requested by the customer and the estimated shipping timeframe. The Shipping Department is responsible for notifying the shipping company and updating the order status.

Outside Organizations

The **Shipping Company** currently has an online tracking system. Our web ordering system will have a direct link to the shipping company's web site for the customer to track packages using the tracking number provided by the Shipping Department to the order status system.

The **Credit Card Processor** currently authorizes customer purchases made in the stores, over the phone, or via fax. An additional interface will need to be established between the web application to receive the customer and order information and to return an authorization code.

Lesson 4 Summary: Learning Objectives Recap

Understand the impact of change

When change is introduced into an organization, there is a related Productivity Dip that occurs. The purpose of OCM is to reduce the size and duration of the expected dip by understanding the potential impact(s) and proactively managing the change.

In order to understand the scope of the impact, one must assess both the change itself and the environment (both at the organization level and the individual level).

Assess potential impacts and risks for change initiatives

Just as in Project Management, a structured approach to managing the risks of change impacts is required. Identify potential impacts; assess the risk based on the degree of impact and probability; then put in place mitigation approaches (process, training, communication, etc.)

At a minimum, after this course you should begin to always identify impacts on the "people side of change" in every project your organization undertakes.

Identify the level of change management needed

Understanding the scope of the change and its potential impacts – along with an assessment of the organization's ability to manage change – will drive decisions about the level and structure of Organizational Change Management required.

Recognize Organizational Change Structures

OCM SMEs and change leaders can be incorporated into the Project Management team or stand alone and report independently to the Sponsor. There is no "right or wrong" approach. The decision will be driven by an assessment of the change, organizational acceptance of OCM practices, resource availability and hierarchical structures.

Notes

LESSON 5: MANAGING THE CHANGE

Topic 1: Building a Vision

Topic 2: Understanding Resistance

Topic 3: Resistance Mitigation

Topic 4: Communication Strategies and Vehicles

Student Learning Objectives

After completing this lesson you should be able to

- How to create a vision for change
- Understand the nature and types of resistance
- Build effective strategies for identifying and addressing resistance
- Develop communication strategies to support OCM

Approximate Presentation time: 1.5 hours

Topic 1: Building a Vision



Every successful large-scale change that I have seen has, as a part of it, a change vision. (John P. Kotter)

A change vision is important to communicate the "what and why" of the change in order to increase buy-in both internally and externally to the organization. It should:

- Align the change to the organization's mission and vision
- Show how the change is in step with the organization's value statement
- Reinforce with employees why they need to "get on board"
- Explain to customers or constituents what they can expect to see "Please be patient while we are working to improve our website to serve you better."

Topic 1: Building a Vision



The vision should be "EASY" to understand, communicate, feel and visualize.

- What will the future look like?
- Is it easy for anyone to understand and grasp?
- Is it short, sweet and to the point?
- Can it be spoken in less than 1 minute?
- Is it business focused, yet inspirational?
- Will people get it?

Exercise 5.1

Instructions:

Using the Speedy Office Supplies case study or a change initiative in your organization, create a rough draft of an "article" for Fortune Magazine about the results of your change effort – project five years into the future. In the article talk about the following:

- How the organization is different
- What customers have to say about the company
- What employees are saying
- Performance as compared to other companies or states

In doing this, be concrete – include quotes from people, actual numbers, and a clear description of a new product or service or process.



*After putting together your draft article, see if you can identify a key phrase or goal that should be part of your vision statement.

Topic 2: Identifying Resistance



Everyone has experienced resistance to change, whether overt or covert. It is a defense mechanism in people that is natural and should be expected.

Don't ignore the fact that resistance can be a positive thing. Prosci[®] identifies "good" resistance as "informed disagreement with the change". In this scenario, it is not resistance due to fear of the unknown or unwillingness to change, but based on knowledge or expertise that leads them to believe it will not work. Don't ignore this type of feedback. It could provide valuable insight the project needs to succeed.

Topic 2: Identifying Resistance



It is not uncommon for an organization to choose to conduct a project that will have impact on the organization itself. Some examples:

- New Time and Attendance System
- New e-mail system
- Transition from paper to electronic Requisitions
- Change from primarily print to primarily electronic media
- Introduction of a new technology
- Distribution of workers in new office space
- Merging of organizations

Management initiates these changes because they have determined that the investment will bring benefits to the organization that will make it worthwhile. They usually move forward on the basis that since it is in everyone's best interest, everyone will endorse the project and work to make it successful. All too often they receive a rude shock!

There are many reasons for resistance to change. People are inherently control oriented, and any change to their environment can leave them feeling "out of control" or chaotic. Resistance generally begins as soon as the change is announced, but it can be displayed openly or hidden.

One of the common pitfalls with regard to resistance is that sponsors who are driving change tend to think of resistance as a mystery. They view resistance as a mysterious force that affects people. They think that resistance is avoidable, and if it occurs, it must be someone's fault. Typical responses are:

"What's wrong with the person/group?"

"Why won't they support our change effort?"

"There must be something wrong with those people."

Some reasons why people may resist organizational change are:

- belief that the change initiative is a temporary fad
- belief that fellow employees or managers are incompetent
- loss of authority or control
- loss of status or social standing
- lack of faith in their ability to learn new skills
- feeling of change overload (too much too soon)
- lack of trust in or dislike of managers
- loss of job security
- loss of family or personal time
- feeling that the organization is not entitled to the extra effort

Topic 2: Identifying Resistance



Topic 2: Identifying Resistance



- It is a natural and inevitable reaction. You can expect it. You should plan for it.
- It is sometimes hidden, so it may be necessary to take active steps to find it.
- There are many reasons for it; it is important to understand its roots.
- Resistance is managed by working with people and helping deal with their concerns.
- There are many ways to build acceptance. It is important to be flexible. But persist!
- Engage the appropriate change agents for the resister(s).

Some of the more recognizable types of resisters:

Objectors

Objectors will display their resistance to change whenever the opportunity arises. They may disrupt meetings, not attend training, take unapproved leave and refuse to carry out instructions. Objectors will continue to use old systems and processes when others are taking up the new ways of doing things. They are not averse to arguing with managers and fellow workers and will try to convince others to continue with the old ways. In a unionized environment, resistance can take the form of strikes, lockouts, "work to rule", legal challenges and boycotts.

Underground

Change recipients working for the underground have solid motivations for not making their resistance public. They may fear direct punishment, such as termination or fines, or more personal costs, such as ridicule or loss of status and authority. Managers who are against the change but need to be seen to be in support of it are prime candidates for promoting underground resistance. This style of resistance is, by its nature, always covert and can take many forms. Common among these are falsifying reports, inputting incorrect data, stealing, damaging infrastructure and equipment, using sarcasm, spreading rumors, excessive absences, shoddy work and "go slow".

Topic 3: Resistance Mitigation



Force Field Analysis is a useful decision-making technique. It helps you to analyze the forces for and against a change, and communicate the reasoning behind your decision. You can use it for two purposes:

- To decide whether to go ahead with the change; and
- To increase your chances of success, by strengthening the forces supporting change and weakening those against it.

Force Field Analysis was created by Kurt Lewin in the 1940s. Lewin originally used the tool in his work as a social psychologist. Today, however, Force Field Analysis is also used in business, for making and communicating go/no-go decisions. You use the tool by listing all of the factors (forces) for and against your decision or change. You then score each factor based on its influence, and add up the scores for and against change to find out which of these wins.

To carry out a Force Field Analysis, use a blank sheet of paper or whiteboard. Then describe your plan or proposal for change in a box in the middle of the paper. List the forces for change in a column on the left-hand side, and the forces against change in a column on the right-hand side. As you do this, consider the following questions:

• What business benefit will the change deliver?

- Who supports the change? Who is against it? Why?
- How easy will it be to make the change?
- Do you have enough time and resources to make it work?
- What costs are involved?
- What other business processes will be affected by the change?
- What are the risks?

Next, assign a score to each force, from, say, 1 (weak) to 5 (strong), and then add up the scores for each column (for and against).

Once you've done your Force Field Analysis, you can use it in two ways:

- To decide whether or not to move forward with the decision or change.
- To think about how you can strengthen the forces that supports the change and weakens the forces opposing it, so that the change is more successful.

If you had to implement the project in the example above, the analysis might suggest a number of changes that you could make to the initial plan. For instance, you could:

- Train staff ("Cost" +1) to minimize the fear of technology ("Staff uncomfortable with new technology" -2).
- Show staff that change is necessary for business survival (new force that supports the change, +2).
- Show staff that new machines would introduce variety and interest to their jobs (new force that supports the change, +1).
- Install slightly different machines with filters that eliminate pollution ("Impact on environment" -1).

These changes would swing the balance from 11:10 (against the plan), to 13:8 (in favor of the plan).

Exercise 5.2 – Group Exercise

Topic 3: Resistance Mitigation



Once you've identified the resistance drivers, use the following tips to reduce or eliminate their influence:

Prioritize

• Choose the most powerful of the restraining forces and devote time and energy to weakening these. Focus on the 80%, not the 20%.

Leverage

- Apply the drivers for change you have identified in your Force Field Analysis to either weaken or eliminate an opposing force. If your staff is fearful of the change, make certain they understand the consequences of not changing on your organization's future success.
- Leverage champions and supportive stakeholders to help sell the benefits and advantages.

Use WIIFM (What's In It For Me)

• Show the fiercest resisters what's in it for them. Appeal to them either in terms of personal gain or loss avoided.

Engage

• Put resisters on teams that allow them to play some decision-making part in the change process.

Use Transparency

• Defuse political power plays amongst managers and other employees by conducting broadbased meetings where goals and tactics are openly discussed, and introduce processes that leave little room for individual discretion.

Empathize

• Endeavor to look at the world through the eyes of the change resister. Listen openly and honestly to what they are trying to say. Examine your own basic beliefs and assumptions.

Be a Leader

Don't avoid the hard decisions by ignoring resisters. False champions and constant
naysayers can undermine the best efforts for change in your organization. There may be
some who will never adapt and adopt. If the change is truly critical to your business, are you
willing to let those few derail your goals? Be willing to acknowledge that some may not fit
in your new world.

Topic 4: Communication Strategies



Provide focused, strategic context:

• Make certain you can define a compelling business need; explain the reasons why the change is necessary and beneficial

Use few messages, many messengers:

- Messages should be consistent don't vary the content substantially
- People want to hear about the organizational change from the CEO; but they want to hear about how it affects them from their immediate supervisor – target the message to the appropriate messenger

Target audiences:

- Ensure that you have precise audiences (groups impacted by the change) defined and their needs identified and prioritized.
- Approach individuals in the organization (from various groups) to help assess the relevance and appropriateness of the message

Integrate cross-functionally:

• Deliver consistently timed messages across the organization; make certain everyone is hearing the same message from your team, not at the water cooler

Feature multiple vehicles:

- Feature a menu of options that appeal to a variety of groups, preferences and learning styles
- Organizations have populations that cross multi-generations; don't assume everyone will respond to the same type of message equally

Build in feedback mechanisms:

- Create ways to follow-up and validate that the communication was effective
- Telephone or e-mail surveys can provide verification that the messages were received and accurately understood

Repeat, repeat, repeat:

- Through intermittent repetition, people learn and absorb key messages
- The longer the change takes to implement, the more critical it is to keep communication going; don't lose momentum because no one knows what you are doing

Exercise 5.3 – Group Exercise



The Screen Saver – From Ken Moran

There was no set screen saver before we introduced this. Everyone chose their own – some sort of wallpaper, something they downloaded from the Internet. Your normal morning went something like this: You walk into the office, get your coffee, greet your coworkers, go to your desk, log on to the computer... and your day begins.

Now imagine walking in, getting your coffee, greeting friends, logging on, and discovering that something is different. You take a closer look at your computer screen and realize that the picture of a fish that usually greets you every morning has been replaced with a multicolored map of the UK surrounded by a bright blue circle. As the image slowly moves around your screen, you read the words surrounding the circle: "We will be #1 in the UK market by 2001." This was exactly the image we presented to all employees one morning about two years ago.

Because the screen savers appeared on all computers the same morning, we surprised everyone. We had recently announced our new vision, so the concept wasn't new. The point was not to introduce the vision in this way, but to show our commitment to it and to keep it fresh in people's minds. The aspiration to become number one is pretty infinite. We wanted people to know that this was not just another fad, or just a warm and fuzzy hope. This was an absolute, a constant. By putting the message on people's computers so that they saw the logo every time they logged on, we found a simple way to continually reinforce our message.

Needless to say, the arrival of the screen savers had everyone talking. That day, you'd hear people in the halls saying, "The strangest thing happened when I logged on this morning . . . Oh, you got one of those new screen savers too? Did everyone get one? What's this all about?" Over the next few weeks, the conversation moved toward "Do you think we can become number one by 2001?" At a later department meeting, they might talk about new metrics: having five new products in the UK by 2001, growing at a rate of at least 15 percent a year, and being number one in sales each year. "If we hit those targets," people said, "I think we'll definitely achieve the vision.

Of course there were the skeptics who didn't appreciate the fact that we had removed "their" screen saver. They probably felt like we were forcing this down their throats. On the day the screen savers arrived, their conversations were more like, "How dare they change my computer! What happened to my old screen saver?" These were the people who had a problem accepting the fact that they would have to change, so it wasn't really the screen saver that was the issue. These were the people who wanted to ignore our new vision, to write it off as just another fad and wait for the initiative to go away. The new screen saver and the conversations it sparked, on top of all the other communications circulating around the company, made it very difficult to ignore our vision.

After a while, we updated the computer image to include other metrics. We still had the UK map surrounded in the blue circle, but we changed the message around it. This sparked new conversations about our goals and our vision. I could walk around the office and ask people what last year's results were and what this year's target was and many could respond without even having to think about it. These were people that, a year before, might not have even been able to quote the company's vision, let alone its targets.

We continued to update the screen saver, and it's become a sort of corporate icon around here. It's great because, instead of a newsletter or flyer that's here today and gone tomorrow, it is a constant reminder of our company's goals. It's amazing what can happen if large numbers of us all understand what the goals are.

The Heart of Change: Real-Life Stories of How People Change their Organizations

By John P. Kotter and Dan S. Cohen

Lesson 5 Summary: Learning Objectives Recap

- How to create a vision for change
- Understand the nature and types of resistance
- Build effective strategies for identifying and addressing resistance
- Develop communication strategies to support OCM

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LESSON 6: CREATING AN OCM PLAN

Topic 1: Plan Elements

Topic 2: Relating the OCM Plan to the Project Management Plan

Topic 3: The Training Matrix

Student Learning Objectives

After completing this lesson you should be able to

- How to create a vision for change
- Understand the nature and types of resistance
- Build effective strategies for identifying and addressing resistance
- Develop communication strategies to support OCM

Approximate Presentation time: 1.5 hours

Topic 1: Plan Elements



Without the body of knowledge and content associated with PMI, there are not a lot of resources available for a standard OCM plan. Nonetheless, it should still follow the same guidelines and rigor associating with PM planning. Document the approaches to be followed, resources required and how the plan will be integrated with the project plan.
Topic 1: Plan Elements



Components that are different from a PM plan:

- Assessment approach
- Cross dependencies with the Project Team
- Adoption Tracking Strategies (post implementation)

Components that are traditionally included in a PM plan:

- Structure and Resources
- Communication Strategies
- Training Strategies

You may choose to incorporate into the OCM plan instead, or augment the PM plan with OCM required elements.

Exercise 6.1 HR Infrastructure Checklist (Tool)

st The Tool: HR Infrastructure Checklist

HR Impacts Identified

	We have identified all positions / people impacted by our project				
	We have identified the type of position that will be impacted – represented / workforce / classified / unclassified				
	We have identified any required changes in skill by position / role associated with our project				
	We have identified any changes to the existing organization and reporting structures (new positions, elimination of positions, etc.)				
	We have identified any changes required to performance evaluation / measurement structures (i.e., goal development processes, risk / reward strategies and metrics / tools)				
HR	HR Adjustment / Realignment Activities Completed				
	Skill changes and measures of effectiveness have been incorporated into the job description / job role definition process (i.e., jobs have been redesigned)				
	Organization structure has been adjusted to reflect new reporting relationships, new jobs etc.				
	Appropriate changes have been made to position / organization metrics, evaluation tools and reward strategies				
	Impacted jobs / positions have been recalibrated with market compensation adjustments (if warranted)				
	Appropriate changes to the career / job development paths have been made to reflect job / position changes				
	Training curriculums have been adjusted to reflect new skill requirements and ongoing development needs of people impacted				
	Recruiting processes for positions / roles have been adjusted				

	As-is assessment / to-be analysis performed to determine gap in people / positions for new job / organization structure (organization impact assessment)				
Workforce Transition Activities Completed					
	Workforce transition plans by position, department and function have been developed to reflect changes in personnel / positions				
	Transition plans have been jointly developed, circulated and communicated to all appropriate people (workforce, site management, project leadership, etc.)				
	Communication strategies regarding job / HR impacts have been developed and are ready to be implemented				

Important information about the tool

What

• The HR Infrastructure Checklist is a list of Human Resources (HR) issues that must be considered during the project.

Why

- To identify and address HR elements such as roles, staffing, skill levels, rewards and evaluation processes
- To promote cross-functional problem solving between the project team, the organization and HR.

When

- Create a checklist at the beginning of the Planning stage.
- Update and reference throughout the project.

How

- Tailor the checklist to ensure the appropriate items for the project are listed.
- Meet with project team members and review the checklist. As a team, prioritize which HR items will be most critical for project success.
- Meet with HR and program leadership to review findings from project team meetings. Include project team members as needed.
- Review the checklist periodically with stakeholders.

Successful Outcomes

- All appropriate boxes on the checklist are checked off by the team, HR and the affected managers.
- Program managers and employees contribute suggestions and take ownership of the changes.



- Not all job changes will be known at the beginning of the project. Review the checklist periodically to ensure that it includes the latest job change decisions.
- Align HR tasks with project milestones. For example, all training must be completed before employees can use the new computer system.
- Meet with site leadership to promote buy-in and allocate time and resources to assist with the tasks. This is important as ownership shifts from project team to the organization.

Topic 2: Relating the OCM Plan to the Project Management Plan



The same level of planning and preparation is necessary for OCM as for PM. Just because it is often referred to as the "warm and fuzzy" discipline, doesn't mean it isn't still a discipline. Create a WBS and comprehensive schedule for all OCM activities and integrate it with the project schedule to identify dependencies and opportunities for shared communications.

The OCM strategy and approaches can be included in the PM Project Charter if desired, or a separate charter may be needed. Make these types of decisions based on the size of the OCM effort and the structure of the change organization.

Make decisions early on about whether a separate OCM plan will be developed or the PM plans (communication, training, risk management, etc.) will be expanded to incorporate OCM strategies. It may be easier to have it separated out, but again depends on the complexity of the change and how the resources will be allocated.

Topic 2: Relating the OCM Plan to the Project Management Plan



Project Management communication is generally centered around reporting statistical type information on status and progress against milestones and deliverables. The reporting formats may be somewhat tailored depending on the level of the audience (project team vs. Executive Steering Committee), but the basic content is generally the same. The focus is how the project is performing against scope, budget and schedule.

These communications generally don't begin until the project has its official kick-off and will cease upon project close. The primary communicator is generally the Project Manager or Sponsor.

Topic 2: Relating the OCM Plan to the Project Management Plan



When building a communication strategy for OCM, there are additional factors that must be included:

- The message can be project or non-project related. It could focus on organizational activities that are a dependency for the change success, but do not directly affect the project's ability to move forward.
- The appropriate messenger is critical. Individuals want to hear about organizational change from the Sponsor or CEO; but they want to hear about how it will impact their day-to-day work environment from their supervisor or manager.
- OCM communications should utilize a wide variety of vehicles and be repeated multiple times. (No one wants to hear a project status report over and over!)
- In some cases, it will be very important to follow up with the audience to ensure that the message was clearly understood. For large change initiatives, consider phone surveys to test random employee's awareness of the change and how they are preparing.

Topic 3: The Training Matrix



Start with understanding the basic tenets of effective training. This will provide a solid foundation for the appropriate approach and strategies to incorporate into the Training Plan.

Topic 3: The Training Matrix



In defining the type of training needed, it can be helpful to conduct a visioning exercise with your Sponsor and key stakeholders. If the change is successful, what will the future look like? How will the organization perform differently? How will employees perform differently? What will the customers and/or other constituents see as a result?

Focus on process changes and/or role changes. If individuals may see a change in role, or if their role will be eliminated, it is critical to have a plan for addressing their needs early in the process. It may be important to think about providing more focused transitional training or coaching. All of these factors should be considered as the training plans are being developed.

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This is an excerpt from a training matrix that was developed for the state's new STARR application. The system will gather data from agencies related to their technology expense and management. It cuts across the functional areas of Information Security, Application Management and Finance. Because of the breadth of the system, it was critical to identify all the various roles within the agency and GTA that could be impacted by the change. In some instances, individuals would only require training on the tool – their processes would not change. In other cases, entirely new processes were being introduced and employees would need to take on additional roles. The change wasn't extremely complex, but very diverse in the way it would impact different stakeholders. Exercise 6.1

Lesson 6 Summary: Learning Objectives Recap

- Know the key elements to include in an OCM Plan An OCM plan should include the following basics:
 - Purpose
 - Team Structure and Resources
 - Assessment Approach
 - Communication Strategies
 - Training Strategies
 - Cross Dependencies with the Project Team
 - Adoption Tracking Strategies
- Understand how to relate (and integrate) the OCM Plan with the PM Plan
 - Make certain to follow the same level of discipline in OCM planning as you would in PM planning.
 - Ensure that OCM approach and structure is included in a charter document (whether in the Project Charter or a separate OCM charter).
 - Designate early how communication planning and training planning will be documented.
 - At the end of the day, there must be an integrated PM and OCM plan and schedule.
- Be able to create an effective training plan/matrix Effective training should be 1) specific; 2) incremental; and 3) continuous

Develop a matrix of courses and trainees based on complexity of the change:

- Look at the entire spectrum of training needed not just tools
- Training should be targeted based on role, gaps between current and future functions and needed skill sets
- Don't forget to build a plan for ongoing training after the change has occurred

Notes

Name 3 actions you can take to introduce OCM into your environment.

My Change Management Action Items				
Activity	Completed By			