

PROJECT MANAGEMENT...FOR GOVERNMENT EXECUTIVES

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Project management training is usually targeted to project managers and other senior project professionals. But what about government executives? The project sponsor and other senior managers need some knowledge of formal project management as well - for two reasons. First, government managers must understand the terminology and concepts that the rest of the staff is learning so that they can communicate intelligently. Second, government managers must understand the role they play in ensuring that the project management processes are implemented successfully in their organizations. It's not just about project managers. All of the management hierarchy has a role to play in ensuring their organizations successfully implement the project management discipline.

Do your senior managers need to attend five days of training to get the proper level of understanding? No. This class provides this high-level overview of project management concepts and the role of management in a fast-paced 1/2 day session.

PREREQUISITES

- None

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

At the end of this class, participants will be able to:

- Discuss the general concepts and key practices of project management
- Understand the critical role of government executives in:
 - Knowing the relationship between OMB requirements and PM best practices
 - Project quality assurance (knowing the right questions to ask)
 - Active sponsorship and advocacy for project management
 - Project management governance to ensure the processes and standards are followed
 - Advocating the value that project management provides to the organization

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

- Managers in government at all levels that have projects in their areas
- Government client and customer managers, especially those at a level to sponsor projects

COURSE OUTLINE

- Overview of project management
 - OMB and project management
- General concepts and terminology
- Role of government executives in project management
 - Project quality assurance
 - Active sponsorship and advocacy
 - Project management governance
 - Advocating the value of project management

The class contains numerous exercises and group discussion opportunities.

CLASS LENGTH

- One-half day (4 PDUs)