

# CME & E



## PROBLEM SHARING

Group experiential problem solving and advice



## SHARED BUSINESS & MARKET INTELLIGENCE

Network with other continuous improvement experts, operations leaders and subject matter experts



## STRATEGIC BEST PRACTICES

See first-hand what your peers are doing to innovate and compete

## Saskatchewan Consortia

### WHAT IS LEAN?

Lean is a proven strategy for engaging employees to deliver more value to customers in less time and, with less effort. The core concepts of Lean aim to create a better flow of information, product or service and to spend more time adding value and less time on wasteful activities. Lean is not a short-term, quick-hit program. It is continuous improvement. Lean requires a fundamental change to how organizations involve their people to expose business problems and solve them by using simple, practical tools.

### WHY JOIN A LEAN CONSORTIUM?

Lean is often likened to a total fitness program for your business. Keeping your business healthy requires an ongoing commitment to continuous improvement. Many times organizations benefit from encouragement to “stay the course,” outside eyes to identify opportunities and assistance to find solutions. Lean consortiums can provide all of that and more. Saskatchewan Lean Consortia represents a close-knit cross-section of local manufacturing firms who share best practices and drive one another to new levels of operational excellence. CME facilitates shared learning, collaboration and trains members on new Lean and manufacturing best practices relevant to the consortiums learning goals.

### BENEFITS OF BECOMING A CONSORTIUM MEMBER:

- Connect with 50 plus consortium members
- Expert guidance from Lean Facilitators
- Access to training
- Lean Assessments by CME Lean Facilitators
- Monthly consortium networking and learning events
- Bi-weekly best practice tours available for national members (located in Manitoba)
- Special Interest Groups (SIGs) on focused topics
- Consortia Peer Accountability

### WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING

“Lean has been supporting us in our journey to become a world-class manufacturing company, giving us the right tools to achieve our goals. Using the sharing from the Consortia members, we implemented Lean certification programs throughout the company. Through best practices tours, our people were able to see what others are doing and benchmark ourselves against other best-in-class companies. Our work with the consortia also helped drive our roadmap and book of standards – initial assessments gave us direction on priorities and set the stage for our success. Today, Väderstad Industries Inc. (VII) is a leading global provider of highly efficient machinery, developed to simplify the work and improve results for the farmer.”

- Mitko Tomov, P.Eng., Production Engineering Manager, Väderstad Industries Inc.

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