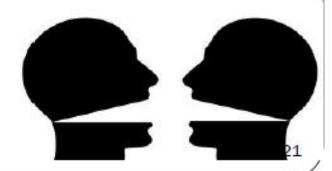
KNOWLEDGE AREA PROJECT COMMUNICATIONS MANAGEMENT



"The most important thing in communication is hearing what isn't said." - Peter Drucker





What is Project Communications?

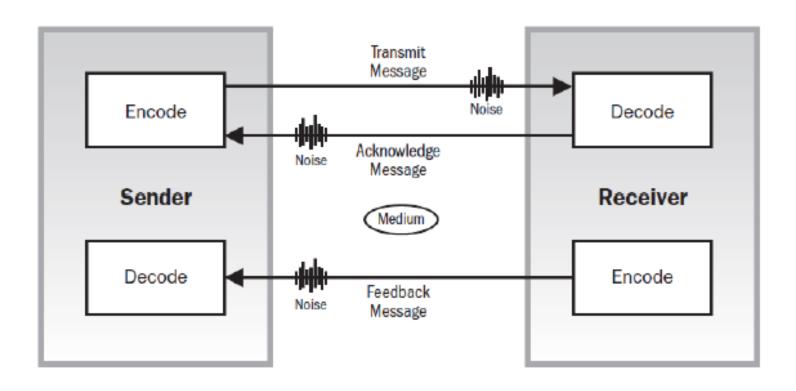
Exchange of Project-specific information



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Basic Communications Model



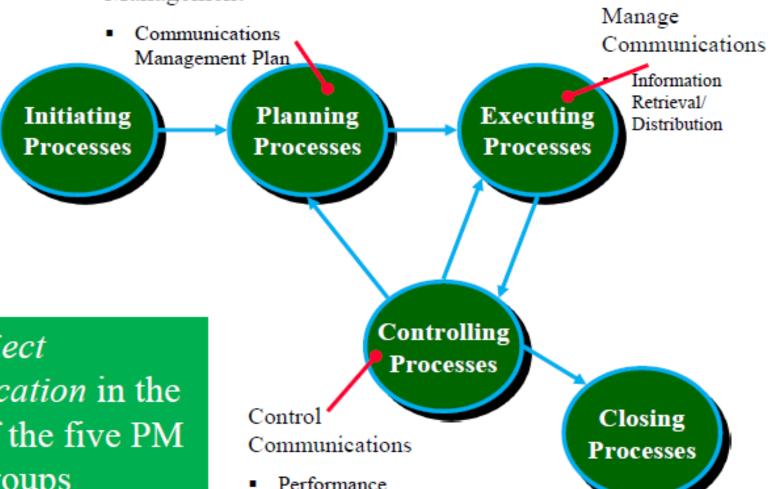
Project Communications Management

- Includes the processes that are required to ensure timely and appropriate planning, collection, creation, distribution, storage, retrieval, management, control, monitoring, and the ultimate disposition of project information
- Project managers spend most of their time communicating with team members and other project stakeholders, whether they are internal (at organizational levels) or external to the organization



Why to Manage Communications?

Plan Communications Management



Reporting

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View *Project* Communication in the context of the five PM process groups

Typical Communications Properties

• Domain

- Internal (within project)
- External (Beneficiaries, vendors, other projects & organizations)

Flow

- Vertical (up & down the organization)
- Horizontal (with peers)

Type

- Formal (reports, minutes, briefs in a proper format)
- Informal (discussions, casual emails, verbal)

Method

- Written
- Verbal (voice inflections)
- Non Verbal(body language)



Importance of Face To Face Communications

- Research says that in a face-to-face interaction:
 - 58 percent of communication is through body language
 - 35 percent of communication is through how the words are said
 - 7 percent of communication is through the content or words that are spoken
- Pay attention to more than just the actual words someone is saying

 A person's tone of voice and body language say a lot about how he or she really feels

Communications Methods

- Interactive: Include meetings, phone calls, instant messaging, video conferencing, etc
- Push: Include letters, memos, reports, emails, faxes, voice mails, blogs, press releases, etc
- Pull: Include intranet sites, e-learning, lessons learned databases, knowledge repositories, etc

Communications Styles

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Passive	Aggressive	Assertive	
Indirect communication	Direct communication	Direct communication	
 Self-denying, and self-sacrificing 	 Inconsiderate of other people 	 Expresses emotions needs 	
 Failure to stand up for own goals and rights 	 Condescending or insulting 	 Requesting without fault or insult 	
 Allows others to choose for them 	Rejects others	 Open expression of feelings 	
 Emotionally dishonest 	Cuts off communication	High achiever	
 Lack of goal achievement 			
Limited responsibility	I'm okay, you're not		

You're okay, I'm not

I'm okay, you're okay 29

Content of Communication Management Plan

- Stakeholder communication requirements;
- Information to be communicated, including language, format, content, and level of detail;
- Reason for the distribution of that information;
- Time frame and frequency for the distribution of required information and receipt of acknowledgment or response, if applicable;
- Person responsible for communicating the information;
- Person responsible for authorizing release of confidential information;
- Person or groups who will receive the information;

Content of Communication Management Plan

- Methods or technologies used to convey the information, such as memos, e-mail, and/or press releases;
- Resources allocated for communication activities, including time and budget;
- Escalation process identifying time frames and the management chain (names) for escalation of issues that cannot be resolved at a lower staff level;
- Method for updating and refining the communications management plan as the project progresses and develops;
- Flow charts of the information flow in the project, workflows with possible sequence of authorization, list of reports, and meeting plans, etc.;

Communication Requirement Analysis for Stakeholders

Stakeholders	Document Name	Document Format	Contact Person	Due
Donor	Monthly Status Report	Hard/Soft form	Ms.Noor & Mr.Rashid	First week of each month
Consultant	Training Plan	Email	Mr.Rashid	Oct 20, 2017
Internal Management	Monthly Status Report	Soft copy /email	Ms.Noor & Mr.Rashid	First week of each month

Comments: Put the titles and dates of documents in e-mail headings and have recipients acknowledge receipt.

Media Choice Table

KEY: 1 = EXCELLENT	2 = ADEQUATE			3 = INAPPROPRIATE			
HOW WELL MEDIUM IS SUITED TO:	HARD	TELEPHONE CALL	VOICE	E-MAIL	MEETING	WEB SITE	
Assessing commitment	3	2	3	3	1	3	
Building consensus	3	2	3	3	1	3	
Mediating a conflict	3	2	3	3	1	3	
Resolving a misunderstanding	3	1	3	3	2	3	
Addressing negative behavior	3	2	3	2	1	3	
Expressing support/appreciation	1	2	2	1	2	3	
Encouraging creative thinking	2	3	3	1	3	3	
Making an ironic statement	3	2	2	3	1	3	
Conveying a reference document	1	3	3	3	3	1	
Reinforcing one s authority	1	2	3	3	1	2	
Providing a permanent record	1	3	3	1	3	1	
Maintaining confidentiality	2	1	2	3	1	3	
Conveying simple information	3	2	1	1	2	3	
Asking an informational question	3	2	1	1	3	3	
Making a simple request	3	3	1	1	3	3	
Giving complex instructions	3	3	3	2	1	2	
Addressing many people	2	3	3 or 1*	2	3	1	