



Upcoming PMIINW Events

Registration Closes at Noon 9/20.



Free virtual chapter meeting! Join us Wednesday, September 20th on a journey with Jamie as she unveils the art of effective elicitation techniques for remote teamwork. Uncover innovative strategies and interactive tools to enhance your virtual collaboration experience like never before.

PDD Registration is now Open!



Shape the Future of Project Management in Our Region - Join the PMIINW Board of Directors!

Are you passionate about project management and dedicated to making a difference? An exceptional opportunity awaits you! Consider taking a significant step by considering a role on the Board of Directors for PMIINW's 2024-2026 term.

As a valued member of the Inland Northwest Chapter's Board of Directors, you'll have a pivotal role in shaping the trajectory of project management in our area. Our mission revolves around fostering professional growth through collaboration with local businesses and experts, thereby expanding the influence and importance of project management in our community. But there's more – being part of the board comes with a host of valuable advantages:

- **Volunteer:** Make a positive impact in your community by contributing to meaningful projects.
- **Network:** Forge valuable connections across Eastern Washington and North Idaho, expanding your professional horizons.
- **Enhance Your Profile:** Elevate your resume – a leadership position like VP can capture the attention of employers and peers alike.
- **Advocate:** Represent our region's voice by participating in national and regional events.
- **Professional Development:** Enhance your skillset or leverage your existing expertise. Regardless of your role, personal growth is guaranteed!

New Events



Free virtual tech talk Wednesday, October 25th, 12pm-1pm. Learn about 'Agile Change Control with Pega: Balancing Scope, Budget, and Outcomes.' Bob will share tips on managing changes, negotiating with clients to control scope, prioritize outcomes, and creatively leverage existing funding sources. Check out our website to learn more.

To join us for upcoming events, please click the 'Register Now' button below. Secure your spot and take advantage of these exciting opportunities to expand your professional network and knowledge.

Register Today!

for October.

Ready to take the next step? If you're interested, please send an email to president@pmiinw.org. In your email, kindly indicate the specific position you're interested in and share your reasons for wanting to take on that role. Finally, include a brief introduction about yourself in your email.

Discover Opportunities: Explore these exciting leadership openings:

- **President:** (Exclusive to existing or former board members)
- **Vice President of Operations**
- **Vice President of Marketing**
- **Vice President of Membership**

For more information about these roles, visit our website at www.PMIINW.org. This is your chance to make a meaningful impact on your professional community. Join the Board of Directors and be a driving force in the realm of project management!



PMIINW's 2023 Professional Development Day is Around the Corner!

As the days grow shorter, we're drawing closer to one of the most anticipated events of the year—our 2023 Professional Development Day on October 13th. If you haven't registered yet, now's the time to act! PDD is more than just another event on your calendar. It's an opportunity to invest in yourself, your career, and your community. Here's why you should mark the date and register today:

1. Elevate Your Skillset

- This year, we're thrilled to have Alana Hill, PMP, as our keynote speaker. Alana brings a wealth of knowledge in change leadership and will guide us through interactive workshops. You'll walk away with actionable insights that you can apply immediately to your projects.

2. Expand Your Network

- Our event is a melting pot of professionals from diverse industries across the Pacific Northwest. It's the perfect setting to make new connections and perhaps even meet your next collaborator.

3. Stay Ahead of the Curve

- In addition to earning 7 PDUs, you'll get a first-hand look at emerging trends and technologies. This is your chance to stay updated and bring fresh ideas back to your team.

4. Investment in Your Future

- Attending our Professional Development Day is more than just a day out of the office; it's an investment in your career. The skills and connections you'll gain are invaluable.

5. Networking Opportunities

- **Strategic Connections:** Utilize built-in networking opportunities to connect with peers and industry leaders.

idea, PDD has something for everyone.

Registration Details

While Early Bird pricing has ended, there's still time to secure your spot. Members can register for \$250, and non-members for \$300. Groups of 5+ can register for \$250 per person.

Don't miss this unique opportunity. Register today and take the next step in your professional journey.

Quality in Agile Project Management: A Balanced Approach for the Modern Workplace

By Ruth Powers, VP of Marketing

Agile project management has become a cornerstone in today's fast-paced work environment, extending its reach beyond software development to encompass a variety of project types. Agile's unique selling point is its focus on iterative cycles and continuous feedback, offering a stark contrast to the rigidity of the Waterfall approach. This adaptability makes Agile ideal for projects where change is not just expected but embraced.

At its core, Agile is rooted in four values:

- Prioritizing individuals and interactions over processes and tools.
- Valuing working software over comprehensive documentation.
- Emphasizing customer collaboration over contract negotiation.
- Responding to change over following a plan.

These values are further elaborated into 12 guiding principles, detailed in the PMI Agile Practice Guide. Together, they serve as the foundation for various Agile frameworks like Scrum, Kanban, and Extreme Programming (XP).

But what truly sets Agile apart is its mindset. Are you adaptable? Can you pivot early, change often, and continuously look for ways to improve? If so, an adapted Agile approach might be right for your teams. Figure 2-3, from the Agile Practice Guide provides the following illustration to show that for the Agile approach it all starts with mindset.

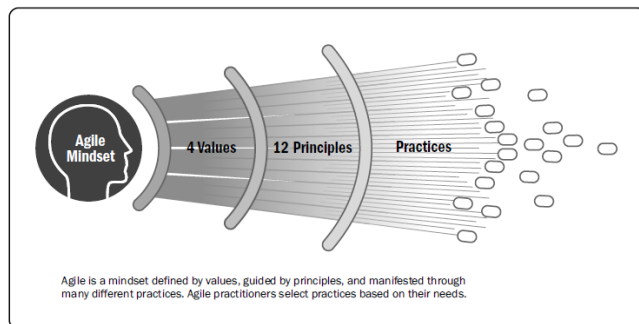


Figure 2-3. The Relationship Between the Agile Manifesto Values, Principles, and Common Practices
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While Agile focuses on speed and adaptability, quality should never be compromised. Here are some key quality aspects:

- **Built-in Quality Checks:** Agile incorporates quality checks at the end of each sprint, ensuring the product meets defined criteria before moving on to the next iteration.
- **Continuous Feedback:** The iterative nature of Agile allows for ongoing feedback from stakeholders and end-users, enabling teams to progressively improve product quality.
- **Flexibility to Adapt:** Agile's adaptability means that if a quality issue arises, quick changes can be made.

In summary, Agile offers a balanced approach for modern project management by focusing on quality and adaptability. Whether you're new to Agile or an experienced practitioner, the key to success lies in understanding its core values and principles, and tailoring your approach to fit your project's unique needs.

Membership Updates



Congratulations are in order for our members marking anniversaries and those who've attained new credentials in the month of August! We also want to extend a warm welcome to those that joined PMIINW in August– we're thrilled to have you with us!

Anniversaries:

- Angela Wood, 5 years
- KayCee Murray, 5 years
- Jessica Haffner, 5 years
- Thad Birdtail, 5 years

New Credentials:

- Christie Pearson – PMP®
- Bryanne Raschko – PMI- ACP
- Ashley Anderson- CAPM ®
- William Holt - PMP®

New Members:

- Hatem Haffar
- Danielle Maiden
- Sabrina Douglas
- Adorah Obrien
- Christina Stangel
- Nishanth Patil
- Mark Hay
- Andrew Connelly
- Omar Embaby
- Jeff Louissaint
- Kevin Stively

2023 Educational Focus Areas

- March/April: Communication
- May/June: Risk and Change Management
- July/August: Strategic Alignment and Project Management Ethics
- September/October: Quality and Agile
- November/December: Leadership

SAVE THE DATE

October

- October 13th: PDD (Professional Development Day), [Registration Open](#)
- October 24th: PMO Forum

November

- November 15th: Virtual Chapter Meeting, 5:30pm – 7:30pm
- November 30th: PM Roundtable

December

- December 13th: In Person, End of Year Business Review and Holiday Celebration



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