

Developing the Brain
Of the Lean



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### What We Will Cover Today

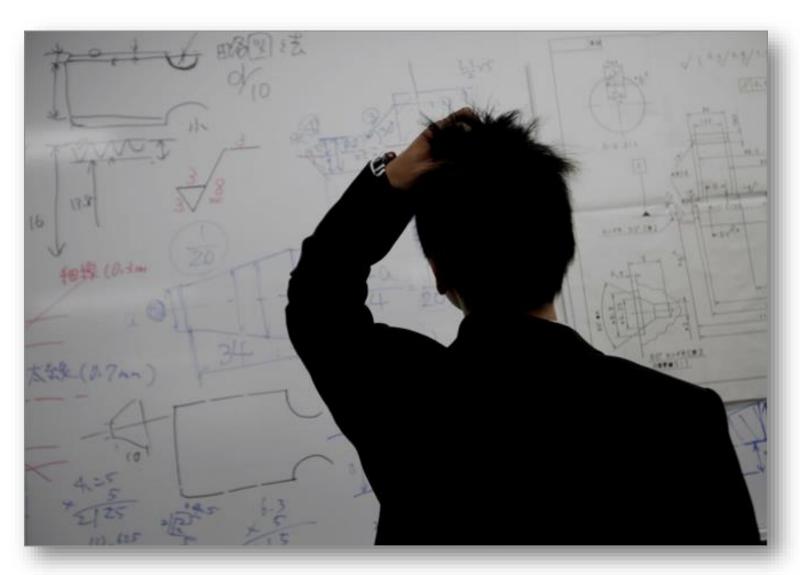


- What is an Obeya
- Obeya as Lean Culture Accelerator
- Obeya as a Leadership Development Platform
- Types of Obeya in Toyota
- How to Get Started
- Organize for Flow and Connections

Your Questions

## What is an Obeya?

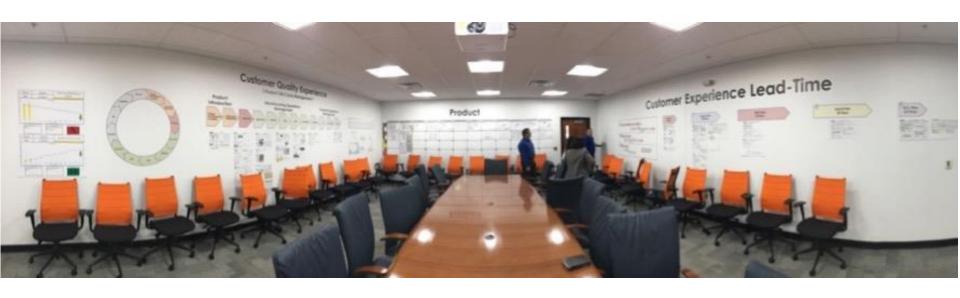






## A Room with a View





- The Obeya, or "The Big Room", dates back to its early days of Toyota, in Japan.
- Toyota's Corporate HQ in Japan are large open office areas without the isolationism created by offices and cubicles.

### The Universe's Most Famous



Obeya





The bridge of the Starship Enterprise is an Obeya

## NASA's Johnson Control Center aka "Houston"







**Another Famous Obeya** 

## My Background with Obeya's The Green Beret Way



Because of the complexity of Special Operations missions, the need for Situational Awareness, Coordination, and Collaboration, Special Operations Units have been using the Obeya approach for years. Our Obeya are known as Operations Centers.

## Types of Obeya

#### **Global Obeya**

When developing a new vehicle, managers responsible for decision making in design, production engineering, and manufacturing gather in one place to shorten lead-time through real-time communications & simultaneous engineering

### **Business Process Layout Obeya**

Daily Management, target setting, trend analysis, priority setting and action planning, status review

#### **Focus Obeya**

- Floor Mgmt & Development
- Team Problem Solving
- Jishuken(Mgmt Study Group)
- Dept. Hoshin

## **An Obeya for Every Level**





Business

Obeya

(Executive offices)

Toyota New Global Architecture

(1876-1876) PAYOFFICER, ARMER.

Notes the Busin Authorizations, META SECTORATE.

Business

Obeya

(Sales)

Focus

Obeya

Obeya (Engineering)

**Focus** 

Obeya

Business

Focus Obeya

Business Obeya (Mfg.)





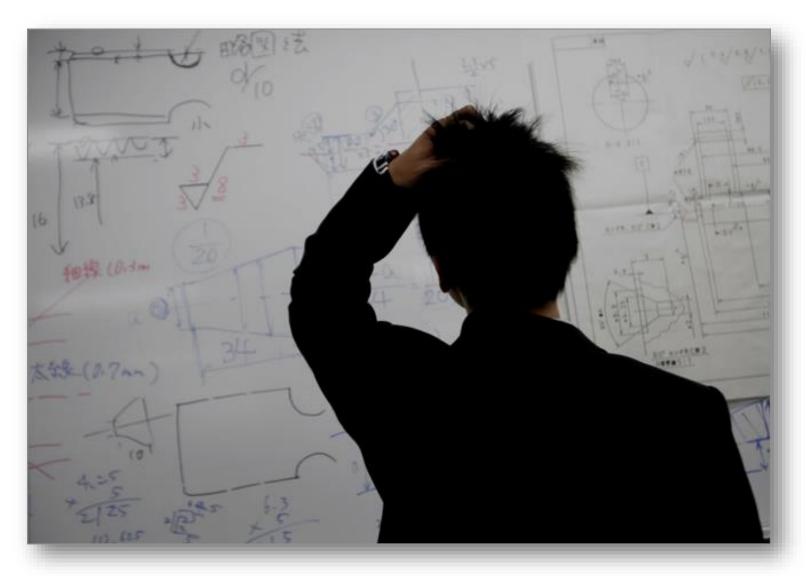
## The Theory behind Obeya is Based on a Simple Idea



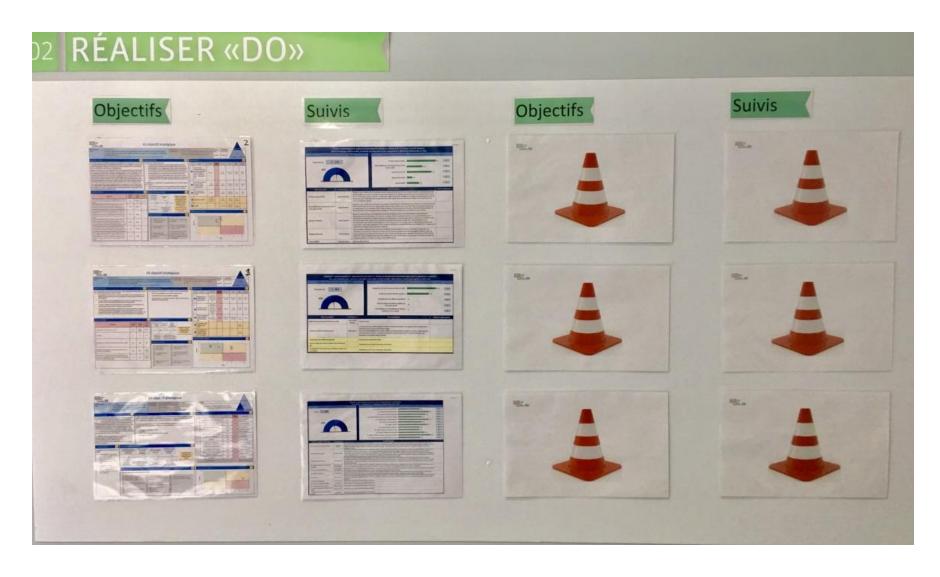
"Dedicate Space and Time to Coordination and Problem-Solving, then organizational barriers will be minimized."

## Why Establish an Obeya?





### Quick! What do you Notice First?



## Understanding the Obeya Management Principles

Management By Objective

Command & Control

Management By Exception

versus

Focus on Problem Solving the Ideal Situation
And the Current Situation





## Because, there is Always Room for



## In Communication and Collaboration!



## Obeya Provides a Platform for Social Networking

**Humans are Hardwired to Socialize** 



## Obeya Accelerates Lean Language Which Accelerates Lean Culture





## Obeya and Building a Lean Culture





"Every time we get together, in the Obeya, and speak the language of the Toyota Way, practice our routines for daily planning, management, and problem solving, gather to hold each other accountable to our shared expectations, or share our reflections and learnings, as leaders, we are creating our Lean Culture. Then, as leaders, we take that culture to the Genba."



## Obeya and Lean Leadership **Lean**



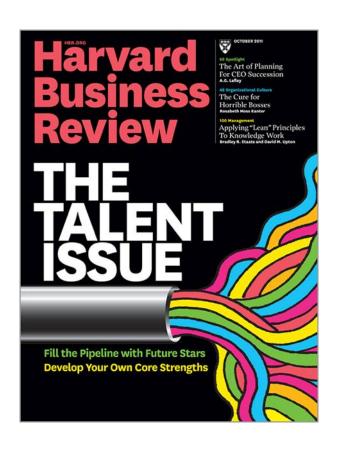


"TPS style (LEAN) improvement depends on the creative efforts of people led by managers and work team leaders with extreme attention to detail in the execution of daily management techniques."

-Isao Kato: Father of Standardized Work and Toyota's Supervisor Leadership Development Program

## We Wait Too Long to Train our Leaders





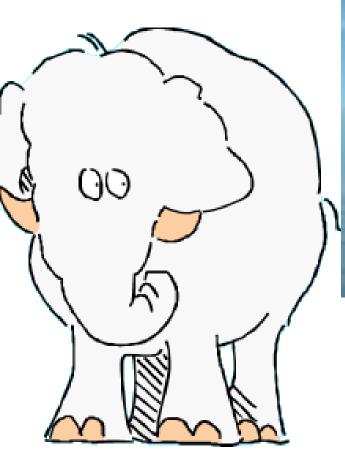


\* "We Wait Too Long to Train Our Leaders"

Jack Zenger

## The Elephant in the Room

## The Current State of Lean Leader Development





Many Lean Leaders are left to Figure it out on their on

## Obeya Must Support Just in Time and Jidoka



'I think the ideal situation of the Obeya should be the full integration of People and Information and it must mimic the flow of the Value Creation and Delivery Processes.

The Obeya must utilize the most effective technology of to support human communication to promote fuller collaboration.

Information must support the TPS pillars of 'Just in Time' (right information, right amount, right place, right time) with Jidoka's "Zero Defects Passed" expectations.'



Casey Ng
Retired General
Manager
Toyota Motor
Manufacturing
Australia
And Camry Global
Launch
Obeya Leader



## "Good Thinking; Good Products"





"Brilliant process management is our strategy. We get brilliant results from ordinary people managing brilliant processes. We observe that our competitors often get ordinary or worst results from brilliant people managing broken processes."

- Fujio Cho

## How to Build Your "Big Room"

### A Phased Implementation Approach for Your House of Lean

#### Phase 5 Obeya

- Full Hoshin Integration
- Sales Obeya
- Engineering Obeya

#### Phase 4 Obeya

- Deployment Focus
- TPS Integration
- External Connections
- Full SQDCPM

#### Phase 2 Obeya

- Level Production
- Flow Focus
- Standardized Work
- TPM Integration

#### Phase 3 Obeya

- Full SQDCPM
- Organizational Problem Solving
- A3 Management

#### Phase 1 Obeya

- Process Stability
- Work and Process level Problem Solving
- Work Standards
- Schedule
   Attainment
   Focus

Obtain a Profit and Grow by Increasing Customer Value Through the Elimination of Waste, Burden, and Fluctuation Highest Quality - Lowest Cost - Shortest Lead Time

### Tust-In-Time "Right part, right amount, right place, right time"

Takt-time:
Produce at the Pace of
Sales

ntinuous Flow"
Pull System"
I sequence of demand
Small lot sizes, frequent
Change-overs

#### Jidoka

"Intelligent Automation"
"Quality from the Source"
(In-station Process Control)
"Make Each Process
The Customer"

"Make Problems Visible"

"Stop and notify about Abnormalities" "Error-Proof"

"Separate Man from Machine"

Leveled Production (heijunka)

Kaizen

Standardization

Stability and Reliability in Man, Machine, Methods, Materials

Start with Visual Management for each level of the House of Lean.

As you mature each level of "The House," the nature of the Obeya

Evolves and Transforms.

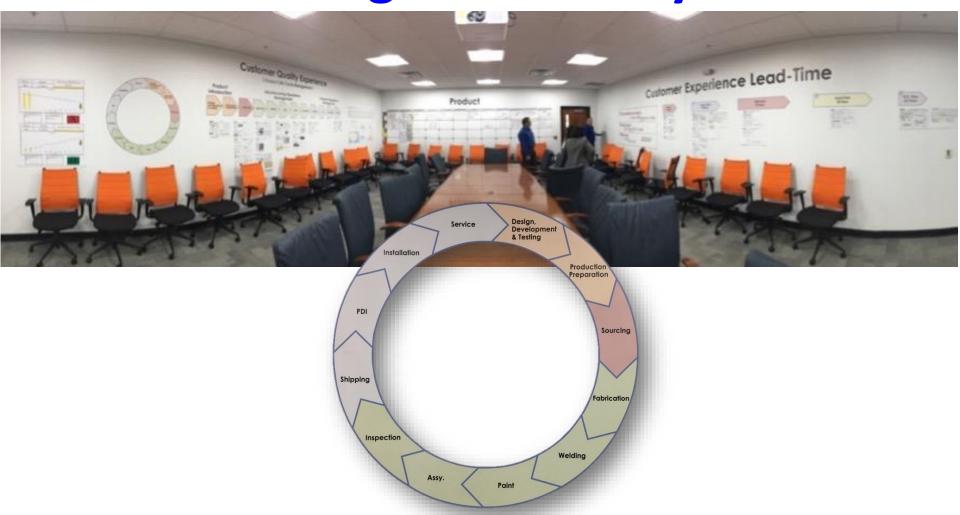


### It Depends...



# Hoshin Kanri Strategy Deployment and Management Obeya





## Obeya for Hoshin Kanri At Toyota From the Boardroom to the Genba



**Toyota (TIEM) Hoshin Vision** 

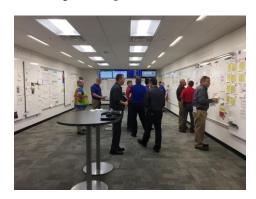
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Hoshin Strategy
Deployment
Obeya

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Hoshin Management
By Shift through
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Daily Operations

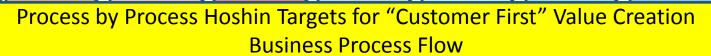
## Visualization of the Vision In Toyota's Hoshin Obeya

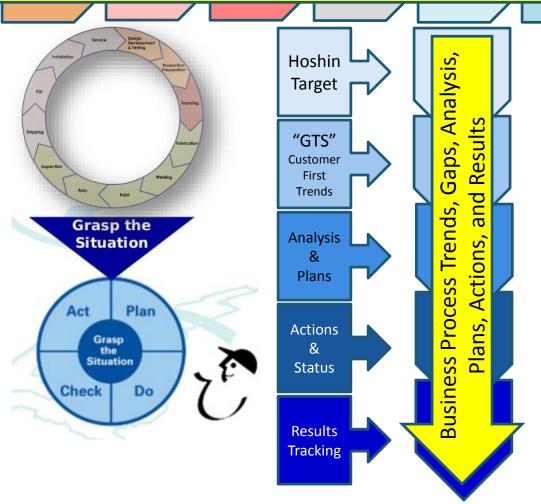




### The Toyota "T" Approach







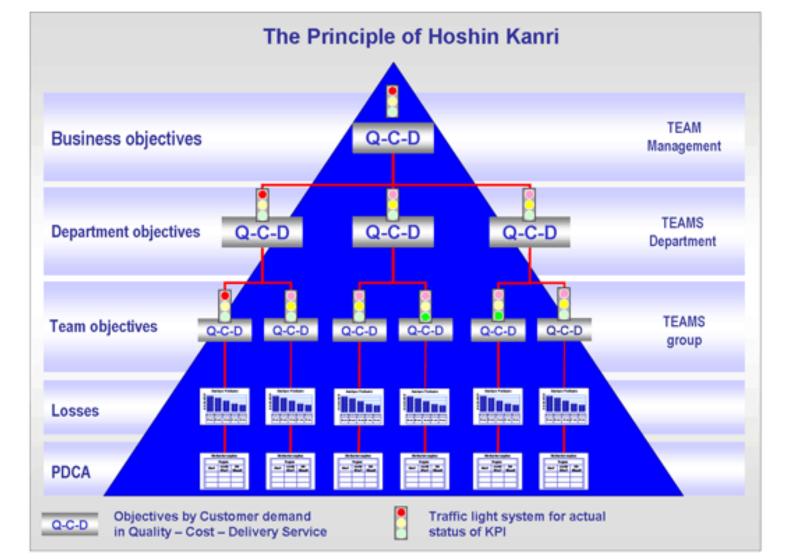
## Toyota Hoshin Connection in the Business Process Obeya





## GTS-PDCA Tree by Business Process or Area





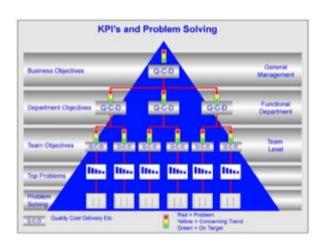
### **Toyota Operations Obeya**





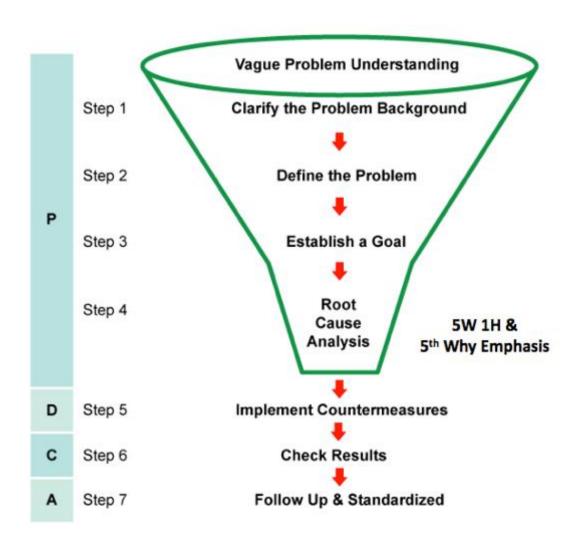
### Funnel/Hopper GTS-PDCA Flow



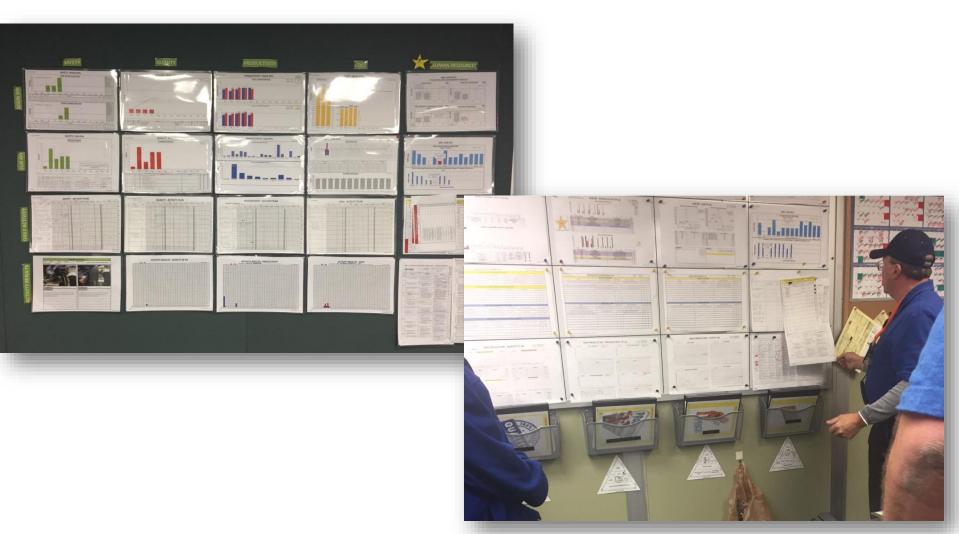




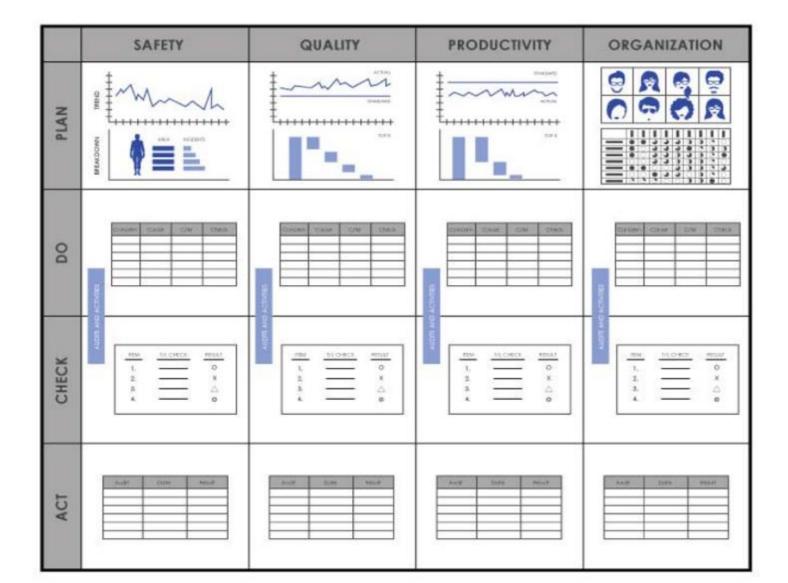




# Toyota's Floor Management and Development System Obeya Connects the Hoshin to the Genba



### **Funnel GTS-PDCA Flow Down**



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Hoshin Initiative Plan

KPI's

Sub KPI's Trends

Top 5 Issue

Issue Breakdown

Activity

Result Tracking Q







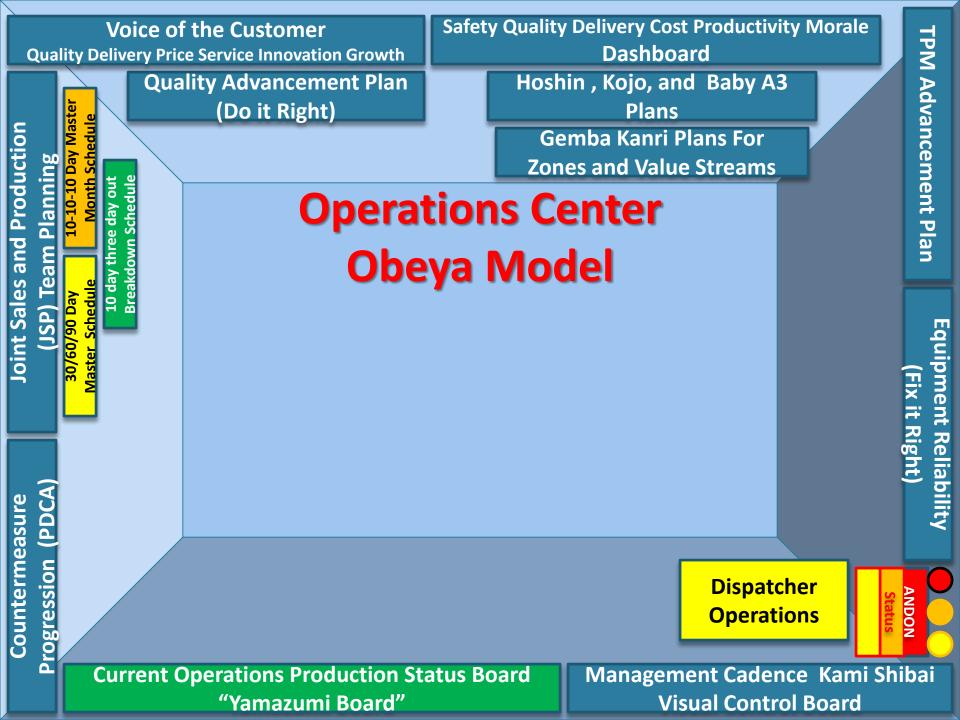


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- Directly Link to Hoshin Plan Objectives
- State Clear Targets
- Articulate a compelling need (The Big So What): Why must we do this; what if we don't?
- Articulate Key Hoshin Initiatives
- Breakdown Main KPI's to Sub-KPI level
- Clear Visual Goals and Targets
- Annotate Spikes/Deviations
- Breakdown Gap to Goal/Target
- Cascade Breakdown of Gap
- AQD Drill-down of trends to the Pareto Level
- Breakdown Lean Transformation Objectives (i.e., move from Bronze level to Silver level)
- Breakdown "High Hanging Fruit" type Problems to the 4-5<sup>th</sup> Why level
- AQD Drill-down to decision support levels
- Define or Hypothesize Expected Outcomes of Activities
- Following TWI format, breakdown Activities to Major Tasks
- Following TWI format, breakdown Major Tasks to Key Actions
- Track Progress against target expectations
- Track Countermeasures for a period of 90 Days to confirm recurrence prevention
- Ensure Yokoten

# Business Process Obeya: Operational Hoshin Accomplishment and Daily Management





### Culture: Create the Obeya Habit "Management Cadence as a Routine"











Daily Mgmt Routine





- Start-up Condition "No Cold Starts!"
- Set Priorities and gain alignment
- Leader Daily Top 5
- Problem Solving Cadence Report

9:00 am: Level Production Planning Team Meeting:

- 3 Day-out Planning
- 10 Level Loading

11:30 am: 'Mid Day' Huddle:

- "On Track to Target?"
- "Prioritize Gap Closure"
- Collaboration and Support
- Problem Solving Cadence Report

3:00 pm: 'Plan For Every Part or Process' Meeting:

4:00 pm: End of Day Review:

- Schedule Accomplishment (Green/Red)
- A3 Report-out (Problem Solving, Proposal,
- and Status) and
- System PDCA Review Briefing
- Leader Top 5 Review (Green/Red)
- Plan for Every Person Development Plan Planning Reflections (Hansei)

### **Obeya and Timeline Control**

- Master Schedule PDCA Flow
- Strong Cross-functional Master Scheduling Team meets daily in the Obeya
- Visual 30-60-90 Day JIT Demand Planning
- Monthly 10-10-10 Day Level Production Master Scheduling Plan (aka Heijunka)
- Establishes 10 Day Day-by-Day Plan
- Confirms "3 Day Out" Line Off Plan
- The Ability to See Trends in Demand
- A-B-C Demand Analysis and Demand Variation analysis
- Level Schedules according to "Every-Part; Every Interval planning rules



## Flow in the Lean Enterprise Business Process Obeya

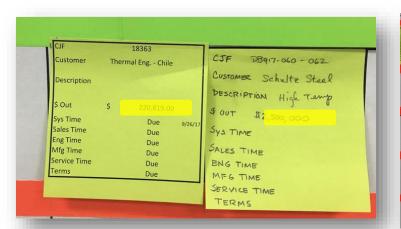


### Obeya Visual Management of Value Streams:

Daily Management of the Enterprise follows and monitors the Expected of flow of Information, Material, Talent and Resources.

#### There are no static displays.

Leaders "touch" all activities and act on anything that does not flow as expected.

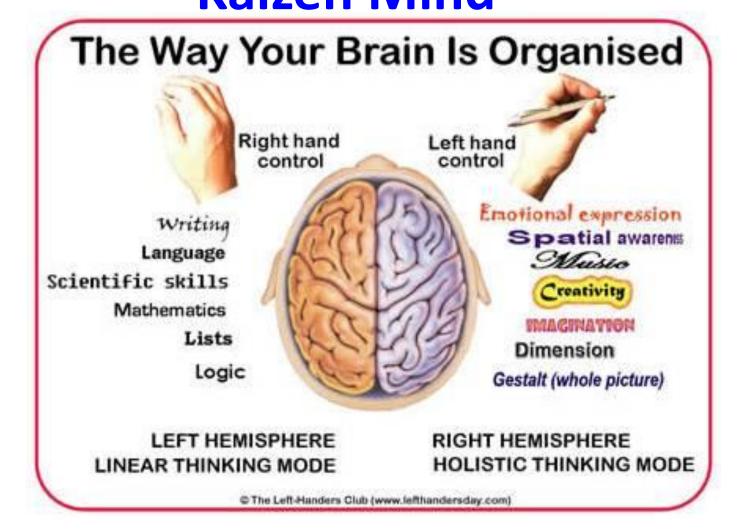






# Obeya is a "Whole Brain" Center and Helps to Create a Kaizen Mind





## Obeya and the Kaizen Mindset





"Having (a) proper awareness of problems and an extremely low tolerance for the current condition is a proper attitude."

-Isao Kato: Father of Standardized Work and Toyota's Supervisor Leadership Development Program

## The Benefits of Implementing the Obeya System



- The Obeya promotes coordination, strategy and flexibility while leveraging the expertise and support of teammates from diverse areas.
- The Obeya promotes the Full and Effective utilization of Resources and Talents in order to reach our full potential, which is critical to a Lean Organization
- The ability to maintain Proper Problem Awareness in Real-time:
  - Monitor Value Creation, Flow of Value, and Opportunities for our Customers,
     Partners, Stakeholders, Team-members, and our Organization.
  - Listen to Team-member concerns.
  - Collaborate to make discoveries, resolve problems together, accelerate leader and team-member development
  - Accelerates Leader development
  - Accelerates Lean Culture development and deployment

## The Benefits of Implementing the Obeya System



### The Result:

Effective solutions and actions that can be developed and implemented quickly.

And

Value can be delivered with Velocity.



# Focus Your Obeya Activities to Remove Burden and Problems Solving





What Questions Can I
Answer for You?