Project Management Professional (PMP)[®] 2018 Exam Changes





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RefineM's Virtual Lunch & Learn

This is a monthly webinar delivered during the lunch hour in the first week (Wednesdays) of every month.

It's designed to help you learn while you eat lunch, providing a relaxed environment to enhance your experience.

The monthly webinars will cover a variety of Project Management / Agile topics.



Your Expectations

What are your expectations from this webinar?

Why are you here today?



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- * Agile Transformation/Coaching/Adoption
 - ✓ Agile Coach @ IBM
- Project Management/ Process Improvement Consulting and Training
- * Products for Project Professionals
 - Essential Gear for Project Managers
 - ✓ PMP Exam Simulator
 - PMP Videos at Vimeo

My professional journey b/f RefineM

20+ years of Successful Project Leadership

- * Led 100s of projects of all sizes, successfully
- * Recovered many projects, saved millions of \$
- * Implemented numerous process improvements
- * Coached/mentored 100s of PMs, and executives
- * Board Member SWMO PMI Chapter (2008-2014)



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Upcoming Free Webinars	Date
2018 Project Management and Agile Trends	Feb 7
Agile Customer Involvement	Mar 7

- * New Training and Outreach
 - ✓ Several in-person and virtual PMP classes in 2018
 - New BA classes Business Analysis Fundamentals and Business Requirements Gathering for Agile Projects
 - New Agile class Kanban Fundamentals / Kanban 101
- * PMP Exam Prep Test Simulator
 - <u>https://Examprep.RefineM.com</u>
- * PMP Videos at https://vimeo.com/ondemand/refinempmpexamprep
- * Live PMP video chat sessions every Saturday, 9-10 AM Central

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Questions from Attendees

- 1. What the recently certified PMPs need to focus if they want to study PMBOK6? (from Jose)
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2018 PMP Exam Changes



- Facts About the Exam Change
- How is the Exam Changing?
- How to Get Ready?



Facts About the Exam Change

- * PMP Exam is changing March 26, 2018.
 - ✓ Any tests scheduled before are on *PMBOK®* Guide 5th Edition.
 - ✓ Any tests on or after are in *PMBOK*[®] *Guide* 6th Edition.
 - Certified Associate in Project Management (CAPM)[®] and Agile-Certified Practitioner (PMI-ACP)[®] are also changing.
- * Exam Content Outline has not changed yet.
- The change is due to the release of A Guide to the Project Management Body of Knowledge (PMBOK[®] Guide) Sixth Edition.



How is the Exam Changing?

- * Terminology is being updated to the 6th Edition.
 - ✓ New process and knowledge area names will be on questions.
 - ✓ New material from knowledge area sections will be tested.
 - \checkmark Any new processes will also be tested.
 - ✓ Agile Practice Guide included with *PMBOK*[®] is not tested on PMP.
 - It is tested on the new PMI-ACP exam.
- * Know what is changing to know how to study.

* Following slides explain the changes in the 6th edition.



What is New in Sixth Edition?

- * New chapter (ch.3) on Role of a Project Manager
 - ✓ Incorporates content from elsewhere in 5th Edition
 - ✓ Ch. 2 now called "The Environment in Which Projects Operate"
- * New Sections in each Knowledge Area
 - ✓ Key Concepts
 - Trends and Emerging Practices
 - ✓ Tailoring Considerations
 - Considerations for Agile/Adaptive Environments



Knowledge Area / Process Changes

- * Knowledge Area Name Changes
 - ✓ Time Management is now Schedule Management
 - ✓ Human Resource Management is now Resource Management
- * New Processes
 - ✓ 4.4 Manage Project Knowledge
 - 9.6 Control Resources
 - ✓ 11.6 Implement Risk Responses
- * Moved Processes
 - ✓ 6.5 Estimate Activity Resources is now 9.2 in Resource Management
- * Removed Processes

✓ 12.4 Close Procurements is now part of 4.7 Close Project or Phase



Process Name Changes

- * Many control processes are now known as monitor:
 - ✓ 10.3 Monitor Communications
 - ✓ 11.7 Monitor Risks
 - ✓ 13.4 Monitor Stakeholder Engagement
- Other changes
 - ✓ 8.2 Perform Quality Assurance is now Manage Quality
 - ✓ 11.6 Implement Risk Responses (new risk response: Escalate)



ITTO Changes

- * Many inputs / outputs / tools / techniques changed.
 - ✓ Some inputs have been grouped under Project Documents.
 - ✓ Tools and Techniques have several new groupings, for example:
 - Data analysis
 - Interpersonal/team skills
- New inputs / outputs / tools / techniques include:
 - Team Charter: resource management tool to describe team agreements, norms, and escalation procedures.
 - Assumption log: to document assumptions about the project.



How to Prepare?

- Many popular resources are updating by March
 - ✓ 9th edition of Rita Mulcahy's book releases in February
 - Many exam simulators have updated their content
 - ✓ RefineM's simulator at Examprep.RefineM.com to be updated
 - ✓ If you are not sure, ask before buying
- * Get your new *PMBOK®* Guide 6th edition
 - ✓ Download for free if you are a PMI member, or purchase from PMI
 - \checkmark Read through a couple of times if you are new to it
 - ✓ If you have read a previous edition, read 6th edition once
 - Appendix X1, starting p. 639, details changes and justification



How to Prepare?

- * Be careful when taking tests from old material
 - ✓ Many of the names may have changed
 - ✓ Page references almost certainly have changed
- * Understanding is still more important than memorizing
 - ✓ With changes to ITTOs and process flow, memorizing is harder
 - ✓ Understand how each process flows and how they interact
 - ✓ This helps you use logic to answer a question



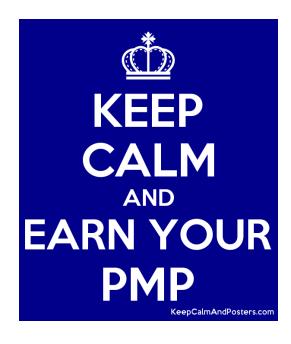
How long to Prepare?

- * We still recommend 4 weeks after a boot camp
 - ✓ 100-150 hours of extra study following the boot camp
 - ✓ If you have not taken a boot camp, consider spending double the time
- * Application could take 1-2 weeks or more
 - ✓ 90 days is allotted
 - ✓ If you have a lot of small projects, expect the process to take longer



Best Advice: Stay Calm

- * Only terminology has changed, most stays the same
 - Exam Content Outline update is a more major change
 - ✓ Keep new terminology in mind but other than that study normally







What has you most worried about passing the new PMP exam when it changes in March?

Has this webinar helped you?



Conclusion

- * PMP Exam changes March 26, 2018
- Keep track of process and knowledge area changes
- Use understanding of flow to manage ITTO changes
- Leave 100-150 hours for study following a boot camp and more if you did not take a boot camp

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RefineM PMP Exam Prep Resources

Blog Posts

- ✓ <u>Eleven Tips for Passing the PMP Exam</u>
- ✓ What is a Realistic Timeline for Passing the PMP[®] Exam?
- ✓ I Failed My PMP[®] Exam. Now What?
- * Knowledge Base
 - ✓ <u>PMP Exam Prep Brain Dump (PDF)</u>
 - ✓ <u>PMP Experience Verification Worksheet Template</u>
- * Resources
 - <u>Examprep.RefineM.com</u> (updating to 6th Edition mid-January)
 - ✓ <u>PMP Videos on Vimeo</u> (5th Edition)



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Next Lunch and Learn

* 2018 Project Management and Agile Trends

- ✓ What are the coming trends in project management and Agile?
- ✓ How can you get ready?

* Wednesday, February 7, 12:00-1:00 PM Central

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- 4. Activity Name: "PMP Exam Changes" (complete this first, before you go to #5)
- 5. Provider: "RefineM LLC" (don't select dropdowns)
- 6. Date started: February 2, 2018
- 7. Date completed: February 2, 2018
- 8. Contact person: NK Shrivastava
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Questions?



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Essential Gear for Project Managers	May 07			
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Business Analysis Fundamentals	May 10-11	Apr 09-10	Feb 26-27	
Business Requirements Gathering for Agile Projects	May 14	Apr 09	Feb 26	
Leadership Skills for Managers	Apr 18	Apr 11	Mar 19	Mar 15

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