

Rapid Improvement Workshop (RIW)

Is it time for
your Rapid
Improvement
Workshop?

What is a Rapid Improvement Workshop?

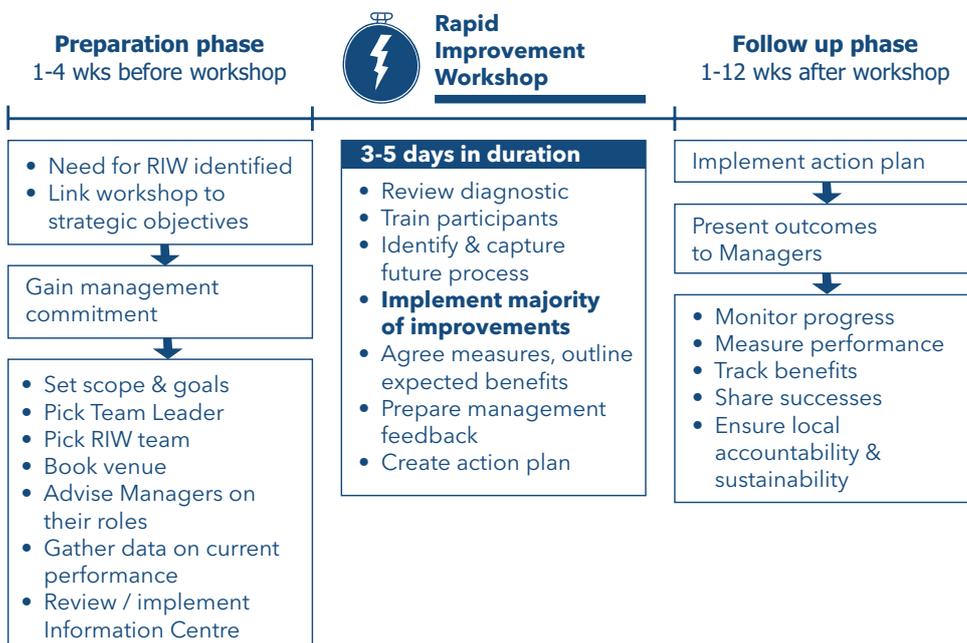
A Rapid Improvement Workshop (RIW) focuses on a targeted process or problem area to deliver breakthrough improvements rapidly. It is about deliberately constructing an environment where the team can create and rapidly implement ideas in order to resolve critical business issues in an effective way.

RIWs bring together cross-functional teams for 3-5 days (depending on problem/process) to dissect and implement process changes. We love them because:

- They act as a “kick-start” to Continuous Improvement
- They deliver major, sustainable, organisation improvements FAST

How to conduct a RIW

The fundamental structure of a RIW splits into a preparation phase, the event itself, and the follow up phase. In order to be considered a RIW the team should aim to have 60%+ of the implementation actions completed by the end of the RIW week. The remaining actions are completed in the follow up phase of the project.



Why use RIW?

- Due to the short nature of the RIW event, all resources are focused towards a narrow and specific objective
- This intensity and urgency overcome the intellectual resistance to a new way of working. The implementation is dramatic, and the results are significant, clear and quick.
- This generates immediate employee enthusiasm and satisfaction making the RIW a great approach for improvement & problem solving