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## SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

Do you have a specific **lean** topic you're interested in? **Would you like to "go and see" what others are doing? If so....**

We invite you to attend our **"Special Interest Groups"** that are dedicated to learning, implementing, growing, and sharing a particular lean topic. Examples of such topics include:

- Toyota Kata
- Shingo
- Lean coaching
- Lean / quality metrics
- Kanban implementation
- ISO, or even
- Gemba walking

You can even submit a topic that you're interested in, and the AME Cleveland Consortium will consider taking it on!

### SI groups are composed of three to five participating companies.

Your AME Cleveland Consortium facilitator works with representatives from your company to establish an overall plan for the SI group. **Elements / execution of a plan are:**

- Document where each company is currently at relative to the lean topic.
- Develop assessment criteria for "world class" performance.
- Each company submits a brief implementation plan with key milestones. (A3)
- Mini roundtable collaboration meetings are scheduled – Report progress, hurdles, issues, success stories, collaborate to get ideas.
- Schedule and execute any informal benchmark collaboration activities.
- Consortium facilitator to research outside expertise if required. Seek outside benchmark if team desires.
- Groundbreaking joint development of lean topic and sharing of best practices.
- Short presentation given at roundtable collaboration sessions. Non SI consortium members give feedback.

### Timeframe:

Depends on the nature of the topic. Essentially whatever time frame is necessary, but hope to keep the SI subgroups to 4 to 12 months. The team ultimately decides the overall time frame.

### Benefits:

Joining a Special Interest Group brings many benefits to members:

- Promotes effective collaboration – at ground level!
- Establish a meaningful comparative baseline. Hear and see firsthand what other companies are doing and compare to your own company's performance!
- Bring in new ideas to each company's implementation plans.
- Provides a greater understanding of the topic through collaboration with Cleveland's top lean experts!
- Promotes accountability.
- Peer recognition.

For a limited time your company can join a Special Interest Group for as little as **\$500**.