



Tips for Transitioning from Waterfall or Iterative to Agile

- 1 Think whole team vs. role
- 2 Removing funding barriers and co-locating business and technical project team members
- 3 Have a coach
- 4 Educate your PMO and project sponsor. Getting an understanding and training for ALL involved is key to buy-in and defining success criteria of an agile methodology
- 5 Build your backlog early
- 6 Break down deliverable project elements to fit into your iterations
- 7 Spend time (not a lot) sharing the value/benefits to the business. Talk to the bottom line
- 8 You don't have to know everything to start something
- 9 Empowerment, make them accountable for their job even if they say it's not my job
- 10 Accept that some things cannot be known up front and change is a valid response
- 11 Ensure everyone knows what is meant by "agile" and what documents will be utilized
- 12 Learn project management methodologies
- 13 Focus on execution. It's OK to redo
- 14 Understand what you are trying to accomplish by adopting agile and figure out if adopting agile will really help you accomplish those things
- 15 Agile is a means to an end, not the end in itself

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