

Tuesday, April 27, 2010

Michigan Lean Consortium offers second free webinar

The Michigan Lean Consortium is presenting a free webinar with **Jamie Flinchbaugh** of the Lean Learning Center on May 12 from 1-2 p.m. Flinchbaugh will explain a methodology to coach Michigan's workforce to build new skills and confidence.

A knowledgeable and capable workforce is critical for any company as well as the state. Coaching is perhaps the most effective means of development. Learn what makes coaching effective, the difference between coaching towards a solution and coaching the method, and standard work that anyone can use to improve their coaching conversations.

Jamie Flinchbaugh is a founder and partner of the Lean Learning Center in Novi, Mich., member of the Oakland University Pawley Lean Institute Advisory Board and the co-author of "The Hitchhiker's Guide to Lean: Lessons from the Road."

He shares his successful and varied experiences of Lean transformation as a practitioner and leader through companies such as Chrysler and DTE Energy. He also has a wide range of practical experience in industrial operations, including production, maintenance, material control, product development and manufacturing engineering.

Flinchbaugh is a graduate fellow of the highly regarded Leaders for Manufacturing Program at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, where his research thesis was on implementing Lean manufacturing through factory design.

He also holds a B.S. in engineering from Lehigh University in Bethlehem, Penn., and an M.S. in engineering from the University of Michigan. In 2006, Crain's Detroit Business recognized Flinchbaugh for his accomplishments in its "40 Under 40" issue.

This webinar is open to everyone. To attend, follow the details below on May 12 at 1 p.m.

Dial in: 1-888-627-7005 or 1-404-829-4709

Code: 689381

Live meeting: <https://www110.livemeeting.com/cc/ncs/meet/2851052>

The mission of the MLC is to offer a diverse network of knowledgeable Lean professionals who come together to share innovative practices. The organization aims to create a Lean culture in Michigan to ensure sustainable competitive advantage, which could translate into healthier businesses that offer more job opportunities leading to economic growth in the state.

The charter members of the MLC include: Amway, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan, DTE Energy, Johnson & Johnson, The Lean Learning Center, Northwestern Michigan College, the Oakland University Pawley Lean Institute and the Michigan Shingo Prize through The Right Place.

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