

Reliable Predictions: Taking the Guesswork Out of Project Estimation!

Your project plan is only as good as the foundation on which it is based - your time and cost estimates. This is not a guessing game! Join Lisa and Dave in this interactive workshop to hone and perfect your estimating accuracy. Become a reliable predictor of project performance. Be a great Project Manager!

Hands-on activities will provide you with the experience you need to wade your way through the murky waters of estimation. The *Practice Standard for Project Estimating* (published by the PMI) will be our guide as we increase our understanding of industry best practices and work through the stages of estimating: prepare to estimate, create estimates, manage estimates and improve the estimating process. Good project management is more than reporting status, it's driving your team to success. Developing a reputation as a reliable project manager who consistently meets schedule and budget constraints will separate you from the crowd and propel your teams to even greater achievements!

Learning Objectives:

- Understand the importance of proper preparation for estimating during project planning
- Be able to recognize and recreate the characteristics of a good estimate for project control
- Learn to maintain activity durations, optimize resource allocation and manage costs
- Continuously improve the estimating process utilizing the cyclic project management model