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Module 6 Journal- Communication Practices and Project Management Tools

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* Which communication practice (such as information radiator, Scrum events, and so on) do you think would be most effective in creating openness and transparency within a Scrum Team? Why?

The information radiator is an easily visible display of important team information. It is usually located somewhere the team and others involved can constantly view and it is continuously updated. For the SNHU travel project, this would be a beneficial option to utilize to track progress and see what everyone else is working on and what still needs to be completed. Everyone on the team would have the ability to update in real time the work status of different user stories. This tool would increase openness and transparency.

* What is an example of a communication practice from this course that helped your team complete their work? Consider an example from the SNHU Travel assignments or from the group discussions.

Our team used electronic correspondence to delegate who on the team was going to be responsible for which aspect of the discussion group. We did not necessarily use a communication practice, as much as transparency and openness to get the task completed. We should have reached out to one another sooner, but I think our team struggled with finding other group members contact information and it made it difficult.

* What is one way that an agile project-management tool (such as JIRA, Azure Boards, or RTC) can help coordinate and increase efficiency within the team? Be sure to consider a *tool* and not a Scrum event.

JIRA has many benefits to a software development team. It helps manage, track, plan, and assign within a scrum team. JIRA also helps promote agility and working together within a team. I have never personally used JIRA, but know it is a very common project-management tool that is used by many companies. From startups to larger projects, JIRA has been utilized to increase organization, and the workflow process.