**What requests would you make of the Product Owner or tester?**

As a developer I would ask the Product Owner and tester to provide me an up to date Top 5 list that only included detox and wellness locations and use specific names, one sentence tag lines and high-res image assets for the slideshow. I'd also need updated acceptance criteria based on the wellness direction, including specific metrics or tags at play, along with full test cases for each new destination to ensure that the images renders smoothly, the captions are accurate, and that users can cycle through the slideshow with a working call-to-action.

**How do you ensure you will get the response you need to move forward?**  
To try to ensure this happens, I make sure I document all of the questions and requirements that I have within our sprint backlog, I assign them actionable owners and state a ‘due by’ date. I have to organize a small synch or backlog refinement meeting and invite, the Product Owner, the tester and post a targeted follow-up in our team communication channels with an explicit callout to the pending items to keep things in sight and in mind by those concerned.

**How does the Agile methodology allow you to be more flexible in your approach to development?**  
The Agile process adds flexibility to the development process by providing for iterative feedback and continuous backlog refinement, meaning we can continually reprioritize work to reflect the changing needs of our stakeholders. It facilitates small and emergent delivery that can change direction when needed, always keeping our slideshow product close to user and business value as we move through the sprint. Agile frameworks like Scrum also promote adaptability through regular ceremonies such as sprint reviews and retrospectives, which allow teams to assess progress and course-correct in real time (Cohn, 2010). Moreover, Agile’s focus on customer collaboration and working software over rigid documentation ensures that development stays aligned with user needs, even as those needs evolve (Beck et al., 2001).

**Email to Product Owner and Tester:**  
To: Product Owner; Tester

Subject: Request for Wellness-Focused Top 5 Destination Details

Hi Team,  
  
With us moving our focus in the Top 5 to detox and wellness destinations, I will need the names of the final 5 chosen, a brief tagline for each (in one sentence or less), and the high-res image files (minimum 800×500 px) to be properly sized/formatted and renamed by EOD Friday. And if you have any other useful wellness metrics or something specific to a program you’d like to see in the captions, please send it as well, and update the acceptance criteria to reflect this focus so I have time to adjust the slideshow accordingly.  
  
Thank you for your prompt attention to these items.  
  
Best regards,  
Hunter Goodwin

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