

Curam PI Planning:

103: Team Planning



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Why do we talk about team planning?

Why ‘team planning’?

Preparing work for delivery in the next PI is a complex activity.

Refinement and Collaboration inside and across teams.

Navigating Complexity



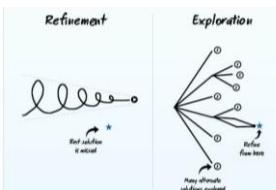
Customer asks are not always clear even to the customer. The technical platform is mature and complex and takes time to learn. We rarely know exactly how to build something before we start, yet we need to forecast and estimate as best we can. This all takes time.

Collaboration



Team collaboration involves experts from many different functional roles. Teams collaborate to prepare work with the appropriate level of attention, surfacing risk and complexity, avoiding assumptions.

Refinement and Exploration



Refinement is about improving understanding. Exploration is about discovering options. Development work can involve different degrees of complexity, risk and uncertainty so refinement and exploration may be needed.

Getting started and getting finished

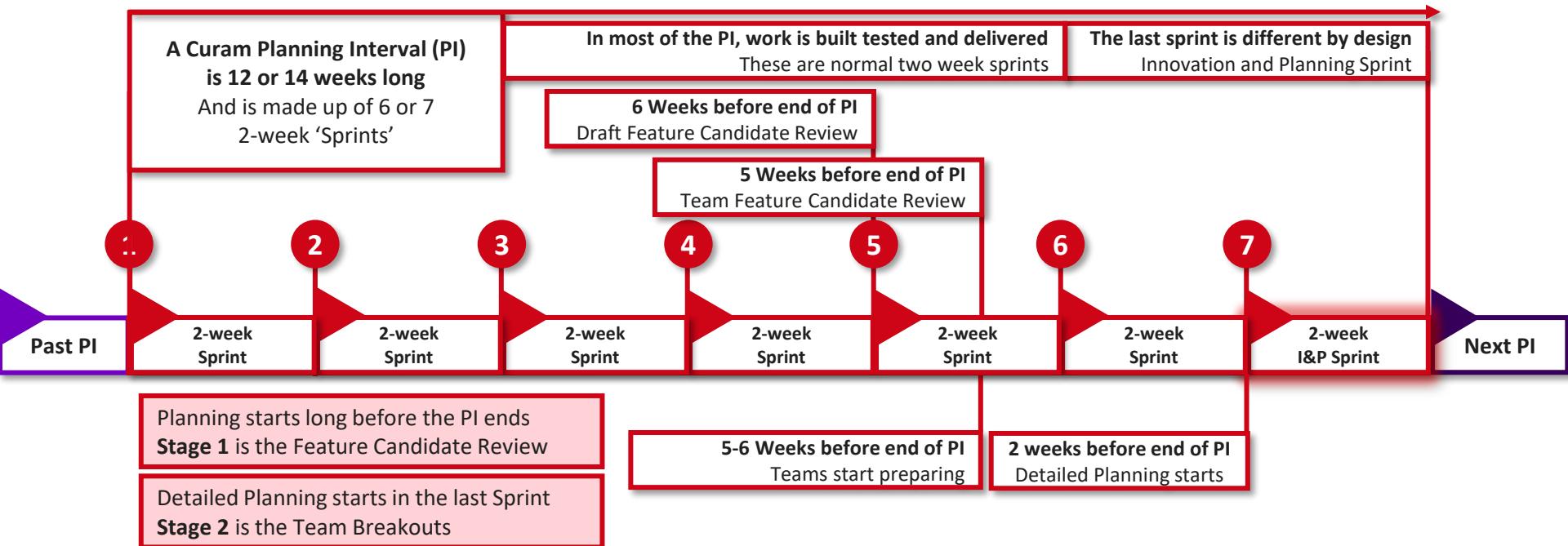


Planning happens alongside execution. While preparing for the next PI, teams are working to get the current PI finished and could also be supporting customer go-lives or a scheduled release.



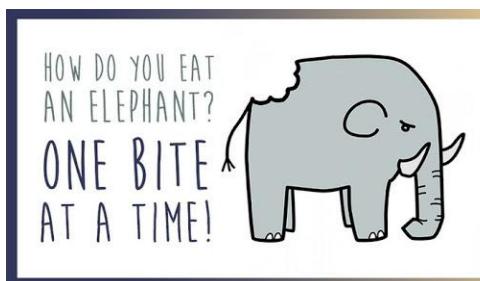
When does team planning happen during the PI?

When does Team Planning Happen?



When does Team Planning happen?

When?	What?	Why? Purpose of event.	Who presents?	Who attends?
6 weeks before PI ends	Draft Feature Candidate Review	Readiness: Discuss early feasibility of candidate features for the next PI, review the list with feedback and gather input.	Product Management	Curam Leadership Team
5 weeks before PI ends	Feature Candidate Review	Readiness: Share candidate features for the next PI for questions and feedback on desired outcomes and feasibility.	Product Management	Curam Teams, Stakeholders, Leadership
2 weeks before PI ends	Detailed planning starts with team breakouts	Planning: the last two weeks in the Program Increment are about closing the work of one PI, and planning the work for the next. Teams break out and work together to achieve this.	N/A	Teams



Inputs:

- Work in progress from previous PI
- Feature Candidates

Outputs:

- Objectives with associated work estimated
- Capacity and allocation understood, sprints loaded up
- Risks called out and dependencies planned
- Team Confidence



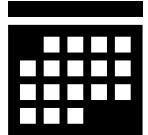
How can you participate in this part of PI Planning?

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To help team planning:

Knowing that these two weeks are critical for teams and being available to support or answer questions would be really helpful for teams at this point.



To attend the Team Planning

Not usually needed, unless the teams request help.



To stay informed

The PI Planning Dashboard is always up to date with the live state of play.

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