

### Module 6 Journal

I think that information radiator would be the most effective communication practice to create openness and transparency within a Scrum Team. In a way an information radiator could be related to a form of “meeting”. An information radiator practice creates a place where information about a project can be displayed for all team members to see, which is essentially what people do in a meeting; display/share information about the project at hand. I think one of the best communication practices is to have a meeting and discuss issues. There are different ways to create openness and transparency using an information radiator, but I think the most effective way would be an online information radiator. Using tools such as a whiteboard or wall at a worksite may be effective in some ways but, from experience, I know that the board will not always be looked at. If an information radiator is used online, other technological tools can be used with the practice to enhance the effectiveness.

An example of a communication practice that has been used in this course is distributed teams. I think that the whole class on this course can be related to a project with a large group of employees. Thinking about trying to communicate and work collaboratively with each peer seems overwhelming and almost impossible. In the previous assignment we were all spit up into

groups and had to assume roles of a basic, ideal agile managed team. I think the grouping of the peers is a good representation of a way that employees may be split up in a real-world project to make communication easier and more effective.

Although I have not used any agile project management tools in this course, I have learned that agile management tools are a better approach to designing a project that is more dynamic than a project that can be designed with static models like Gantt charts, Pert charts, or other charts alike. A way that an agile project- management tool increases efficiency and coordination within a team is the practice of distributing responsibility for planning and managing a project throughout the whole team instead of just assigning that responsibility to the project manager.