

Workflow

Fundamentals of IdentityIQ Implementation IdentityIQ

Overview

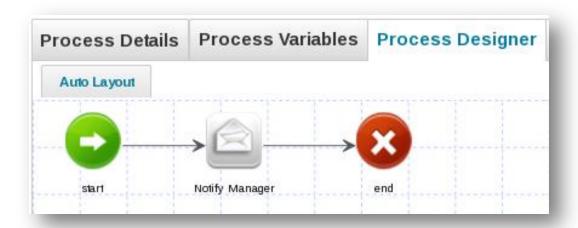
Workflow

- What is a workflow?
- Workflows in IdentityIQ
- Key workflow concepts
- Workflows in detail
 - Workflow case
 - Workflow variables
 - Workflow steps
 - Approvals
- Workflow troubleshooting



What is a Workflow?

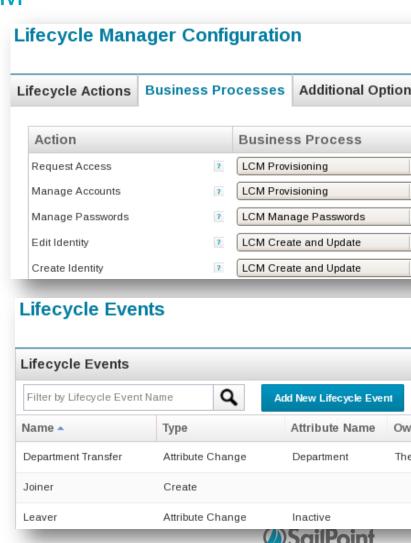
- A sequence of steps with transition logic between them
- Each step performs one action
 - For example, execution of code, or user-interaction
- Defined with Business Process Editor or by creating XML definitions
- Referred to in the SailPoint UI as "Business Processes"





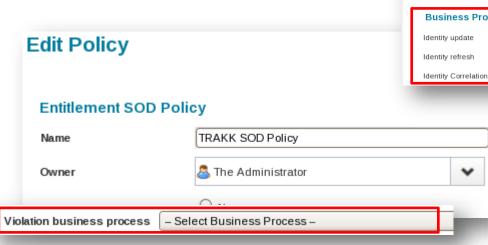
LCM and Workflow

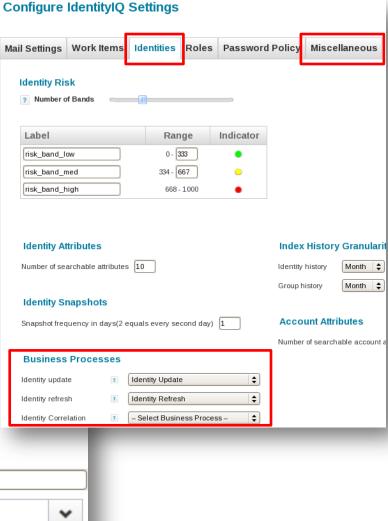
- Workflows are intimately tied to LCM
 - Requests
 - Entitlement/Role
 - Account Requests
 - Passwords
 - Management of users passwords
 - Reactions to Native Password changes
 - Identity
 - Create/Edit
 - Identity Change Events
 - Mover
 - Joiner
 - Leaver
 - Other Attribute Changes



Workflows throughout IdentityIQ

- Workflows are also used for...
 - Role Creation
 - Identity Update
 - Identity Refresh
 - Identity Correlation
 - Sunrise/Sunset Role Assignment
 - Sunrise/Sunset Role Activation
 - Policy Violations



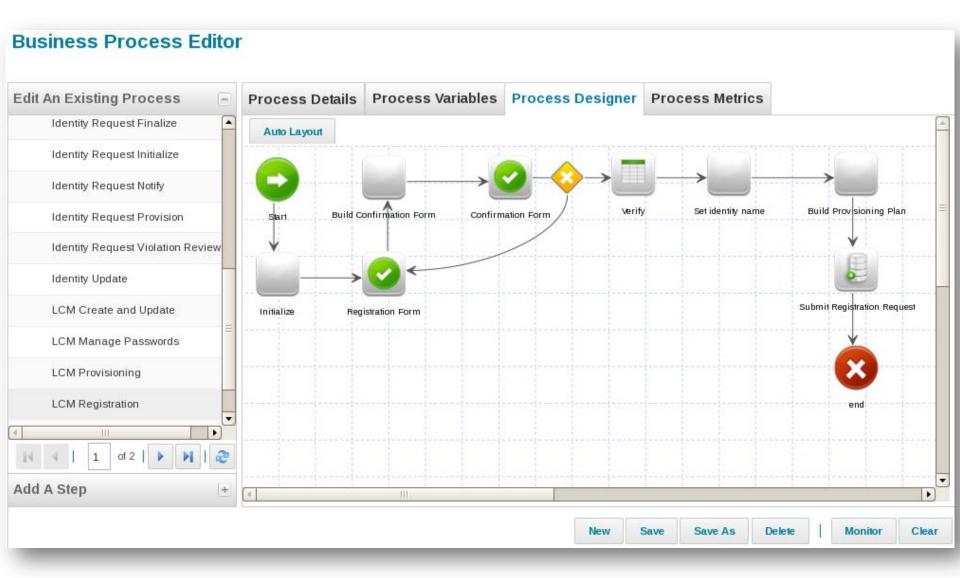


What can Workflows do?

- Check for Policy Violations
- Gather information from users
- Get Approvals/Generate Workitems
- Send Emails
- Audit
- Adjust Provisioning Plan
- Call Subprocesses (child workflows)
- Run other Workflows
- Really anything you can code in Java/Beanshell



What Do Workflows Look Like in the GUI?





What Do Workflows Look Like in the XML?

```
<Step name='Approved'
<Workflow name='My Workflow'>
                                                              action='call:saveObject'>
                                                      <Arg name='object' value='ref:identity'/>
 <Variable name='identity' input='true'/>
 <Variable name='newRoles' input='true'/>
                                                      <Transition to='end'/>
<Variable initializer='string:spadmin'
input='true' name='approvelOwner'/>
                                                     </Step>
                                                                                               Step
                                                     <Step name='Rejected' action=call:'audit'>
 <Step name='start'>
                                                      <Arg name='source' value='ref:launcher'/>
  <Transition to='Approve'/>
                                                      <Arg name='action' value='rejected'/>
 </Step>
                                                      <Arg name='target'
                                           Step
                                                   value='script:identity.getName()'/>
 <Step name='Approve'>
                                                      <Arg name='string1' value='failure'/>
                                                      <Transition to='end'/>
  </Step>
                                                                                               Step
          renderer='myApproval.xhtml'/>
                                                     <Step name='end'/>
                                                                                               Step
                                                   </Morkflow>
  <Transition to='Approved'</pre>
when='approved'/>
  <Transition to='Rejected'/>
 </Step>
                                           Step
                                                                                             Workflow
```



Key Workflow Concepts

- Workflow
 - Definition of a workflow process
- Variable
 - Named data holder within a workflow process
- Step
 - Named unit of work within the process
- Transition
 - Rules for moving between steps
- Approval
 - Special type of step that allows user interaction

Static elements of the workflow

- WorkflowCase
 - Instance of a running workflow process
- WorkItem
 - Object representing the state of one user interaction

Dynamic, runtime objects



WorkflowCase

- In traditional workflow terminology a "case" is an instance of a running workflow process
- There can be many active cases for a single workflow process
- In IdentityIQ a case is represented with a WorkflowCase object that is removed when the workflow completes
- A WorkflowCase contains a complete copy of the Workflow object that defines the process
 - This makes it immune to changes in the process definition



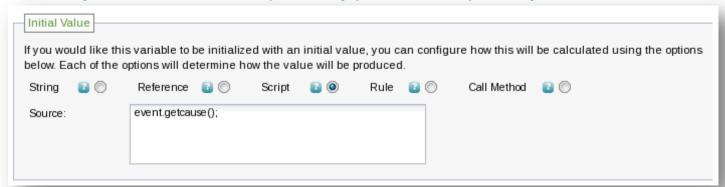
Key Workflow Concept – Scriptlets

- Flexible way to specify values using a single line of text
- Scriptlets make the XML smaller and easier to read
- 5 types of scriptlets
 - Supply a literal string
 - Reference a workflow variable
 - Run a BeanShell script to return a value
 - Call a rule to return a value
 - Call a method to return a value
- Specified in the UI or directly in the XML
- Used extensively throughout our workflows



Key Workflow Concept – Scriptlets

In UI, you select scriptlet type and specify source



 In XML, scriptlets begin with type, followed by a colon, followed by the "source"

string:spadmin	supplies a literal string
ref:approver	references a workflow variable
script:identity.getManager().getName()	runs a piece of BeanShell
rule:My Approver Rule	calls a rule
call:buildOwnerApproval	calls a method in the registered WorkflowHandler class or Library



Key Workflow Concepts – XML

```
Scriptlet - call
                                                        <Step name='Approved'
<Workflow name='My Workflow'>
                                        Variables
                                                                   action='call:saveObject'>
                                                          <Arg name='object' value='ref:identity'/>
 <Variable name='identity' input='true'/>
 <Variable name='newRoles' input='true'/>
                                                          <Transition to='end'/>
<Variable initializer='string:spadmin'
input='true' name='approvelOwner'>
                                                         </Step>
                                                                                               Scriptlet - ref
                                          Scriptlet - string
                                                         <Step name='Rejected' action=call:'audit'>
 <Step name='start'>
                                                          <Arg name='source' value='ref:launcher'/>
  <Transition to='Approve'/>
                                                          <Arg name='action' value='rejected'/>
 </Step>
                                                                                              Scriptlet - script
                                                          <Arg name='target'
                                              Step
                                                       value='script:identity.getName()'/>
 <Step name='Approve'>
                                                          <Arg name='string1' value='failure'/>
                             Approval
                                                          <Transition to='end'/>
  <Approval owner='ref:approvelOwner'</pre>
                                                        </Step>
                                                                                                       Step
           send='identity,newRoles'
           renderer='myApproval.xhtml'/>
                                                         <Step name='end'/>
                                                                                                       Step
                  Transition
                                                       </Workflow>
  <Transition to='Approved'</pre>
when='approved'/>
  <Transition to='Rejected'/>
                                              Step
 </Step>
                                                                                                    Workflow
```





Workflow Details

Workflow Variables

<Variable name='approver' input='true' initializer='script:
identity.getManager().getName();'>

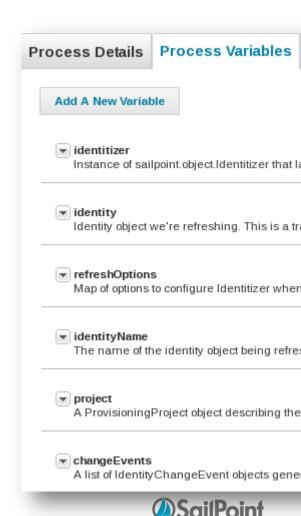
<Description>

Holds the name of the identity to approve the request.

</Description>

</Variable>

- Variables are global to the workflow and available to all steps/approvals/transitions/etc.
- Input
 - Option means it may be passed into the workflow
- Initializer
 - Used to provide a value if one is not passed in
- Description
 - Should be meaningful



Workflow Variables – Internal Variables

```
<Variable name='roleNames' >
    <Description>List of strings representing the role names to be
approved.</Description>
    <Script><Source>
        // An initialization script written in Beanshell
        // ask the ProvisioningProject to generate the names list
    return project.getNewRoleNames();
    </Source></Script>
    </Variable>
```

- Lack of the "input" option means it is an internal variable
- Variables are initialized only once when the case is launched but may be changed by Beanshell later in the workflow



Global Variables (Reserved Words)

Variable Name	Purpose
context	SailPoint Context
log	Log object for log4J
wfcontext	An instance of WorkflowContext containing details about the state of the workflow
handler	An instance of the registered WorkflowHandler
step	The Step object currently being evaluated
approval	The Approval object currently being evaluated
item	The WorkItem being opened or assimilated
trace	Whether to trace or not (if set to true, we trace the workflow process)

NOTE: Additional variables are added to specific types of LCM requests and vary from request to request



Workflow Steps – Overview

- <Step name='Audit Failure' action='call:audit' posX="588" posY="7" icon='Audit'> <Arg name='source' value='ref:launcher'/> <Transition to='stop'/>
- </Step>
- Name
 - Steps normally have names for logging
- Action
 - What the step does
 - script, call to a handler method, subprocess, or approval
- posX, PosY
 - Step location in GUI drawing
- Description
 - Brief description for documentation
- Icon
 - Icon to display in GUI
- Arguments
 - Additional values to be passed to the action
- Transition
 - Which step to move to after the action finishes



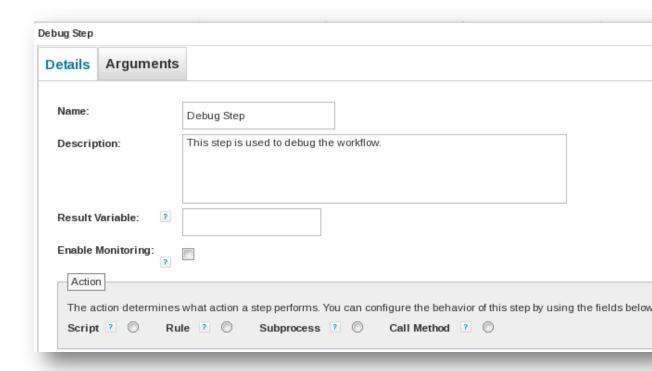




Step Details

Coming Up...

- Arguments
- Actions
 - Script
 - Call
 - Subprocess
 - Approval
- Special purpose
 - Catches
 - Wait
- Transition

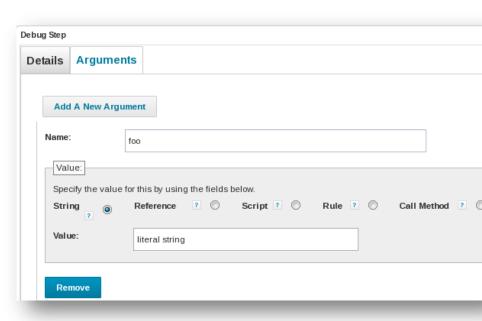




Steps

Arguments

```
<Arg name='foo' value='literal string'/>
<Arg name='bar'>
<Script>
<Source>
// value calculated by Beanshell script
identity.getAttribute("jobCode");
</Source>
</Script>
</Arg>
<Arg name='baz' value='l can see the other args! bar is $(bar)'/>
```



- Arguments are found inside Steps and inside Approvals
- Step arguments are passed to the action scripts or called handler method
- Approval arguments are included in the work item



Step Action: Script

```
<Step name='Trace Project'>
 <Script>
   <Source>
      System.out.println('Provisioning identity: ' + identity);
      String xml = project.toXml();
      System.out.println('Project xml: ' + xml);
   </Source>
                                      Action
 </Script>
                                     The action determines what action a step performs. You can configure the behavior of this step by using the fields
</Step>
                                     Script ? 0
                                                    Rule ?
                                                                   Subprocess ?
                                                                                      Call Method ?
                                       Source
                                                        System.out.println('Provisioning identity: ' + identity);
                                                        String xml = project.toXml():
                                                        System.out.println('Project xml: ' + xml);
                                                                                                             Open Editor
```

- Step action is a Beanshell script of any complexity
- All current workflow variables are accessible as top-level symbols
 - "identity" and "project" are both workflow variables



Step Action: Call

```
<Step name='Audit Failure' action='call:audit'</pre>
posX="588" posY="7" icon='Audit'>
   <Arg name='source' value='ref:launcher'/>
   <Arg name='action'
value="call:getApprovalAuditAction"/>
   <Arg name='target' value='Role: $(roleName)'/>
   <Arg name='string1' value='failure'/>
   <Transition to='stop'/>
 </Step>
                                         Action
                                         The action determines what action a step performs. You can configure the behavior of this step
                                         Script ? (0)
                                                      Rule ?
                                                                  Subprocess ?
                                                                                    Call Method ?
                                         Call Method:
                                                      audit
```

- Step action is to call a method in the StandardWorkflowHandler
 - Method "audit" is called with arguments
- Argument values can be specified using scriptlets
- See "target" argument value for an example of using \$() in a string literal to substitute workflow variable values



Step Action: Subprocess

```
<Step icon="Task" name="Initialize" posX="320" posY="126">
      <Arg name="flow" value="ref:flow"/>
      <Description>
        Description Here
      </Description>
      <Return name="project" to="project"/>
      <Return name="approvalSet" to="approvalSet"/>
      <WorkflowRef>
        <Reference class="sailpoint.object.Workflow" name="Manage Ticket"/>
      </WorkflowRef>
                                                  Action
  <Transition to="end">
                                                  The action determines what action a step performs. You can configure the be
</Step>
                                                  Script ? 0
                                                             Rule ?
                                                                         Call Methor
                                                  Subprocess:
                                                              Manage Ticket
```

- Calls another workflow
- Defines parameter passing behavior to map subprocess variable using Return tags



```
<Step name='Do Approval'>
    <Approval owner='spadmin'>
        <Arg name='workItemDescription'
           value='Approve change to user $(identity)'/>
           </Approval>
</Step>
```



- Approval element is special kind of step that interacts with users
- Approval steps cannot have call or script actions or call subprocesses
- Approval objects may be nested in a complex hierarchy



Approval Work Items

WorkItem Creation

- Each Approval generates a Workitem
- Workflow variables may be passed into the WorkItem
- WorkItem is rendered in UI by a form or renderer (JSF)
- User sees the rendered WorkItem from their Inbox or from the WorkItem interface

WorkItem Completion

- User must complete WorkItem for workflow to continue
- Validation can occur on entered data and WorkItem can be returned
 - Messages can indicate what was missing Example: Email address has incorrect format or Approver Comments Missing
- Submitted data may be used for future transition logic or saved in workflow variables

Example: Approval or Rejection, Approver comments



Approval Groups

```
<Approval name='Group Approval' mode='serial'>
        <Arg name='workItemDescription' value='Approve change to user $(identity)'/>
        <Approval owner='billy'/>
        <Approval owner='dusty'/>
        <Approval owner='frank'/>
        </Approval>
```

- Child approvals must complete before the parent approval completes
- Child approvals inherit the Args and other options of the parent approval
- Parent approval has a "mode" that determines how child approvals are processed
- The default mode is "serial"



Simple Approval Expansion

All of these examples are effectively the same



Approval Modes

Serial

- Approvals processed one at a time, the first reject terminates the parent approval

SerialPoll

 Approvals are processed one at a time, all are allowed to either approve or reject

Parallel

 Approvals are processed concurrently, the first reject terminates the parent approval

ParallelPoll

 Approvals processed concurrently, all are allowed to approve or reject

Any

 Approvals processed concurrently, first responder makes the decision for the group



Approval Options

```
<Approval name='Manager Approval' owner='ref:manager'
   send='identity,newRoles' return='managerComments'
   renderer='customManagerApproval.xhtml'>
   <Arg name='workItemDescription' value='Approve change to user
$(identity)'/>
   </Approval>
```

- send and return attributes have a CSV of workflow variable names to send in and return out of the approval
- renderer specifies a JSF fragment to render the work item contents (alternatively can be done with a form)
- workItemDescription (Reserved Arg) used to set the description of the work item that will appear in the inbox
 - If not set, the Approval name is used



Forms – Work Item Rendering

- Forms are used to layout HTML form objects to gather data from the user or ask for approvals
- Defined within Approval element
- Values are passed in/passed out from workflow
- Results determine what to do with work item:
 - back reject the work item
 - next approve the work item
 - refresh update the form in place
 - cancel do nothing, return, leaving work item in working state
- AfterScript can operate on information after it is entered
 - place values back into workflow variables
 - manipulate objects based on entered data
 - validate and refuse changes, forcing user to adjust/re-enter



Form Basics

```
<Approval owner='spadmin' send='giftwrap' return='giftwrap'>
   <Form id='foo'>
    <Attributes>
     <Map>
      <entry key='pageTitle' value='A Form Is Born'/>
      <entry key='title' value='Giftwrap?'/>
     </Map>
    </Attributes>
    <Section>
     <Field name='giftwrap' displayName='Select giftwrap' type='string'>
      <AllowedValues>
        <String>Plain Offwhite</String>
        <String>Masculine Stripes</String>
      </AllowedValues>
     </Field>
    </Section>
    <Button label='Reject' action='back'/>
    <Button label='Approve' action='next'/>
    <Button label='Do Nothing' action='cancel'/>
   </Form>
```



</Approval>

Work Item Escalation

```
<Approval name='Approve' owner='billy'>
 <WorkItemConfig hoursTillEscalation='96' hoursBetweenReminders='24'</p>
maxReminders='3'>
  <NotificationEmail>
   <Reference class='EmailTemplate' value='Approval Notification'/>
  </NotificationEmail>
  <ReminderFmail>
   <Reference class='EmailTemplate' value='Approval Reminder'/>
  </ReminderFmail>
  <EscalationEmail>
   <Reference class='EmailTemplate' value='Approval Escalation'/>
  </EscalationEmail>
  <EscalationRule>
   <Reference class='Rule' value='Escalation Rule'/>
  </EscalationRule>
 </WorkItemConfig>
</Approval>
```

- WorkItemConfig may be at any level of the Approval hierarchy and may also appear at the top-level of the Workflow
- WorkItemConfigs are inherited, those lower in the hierarchy have priority over those higher

Step Action: Catches

```
<Step name='Finalize' catches="complete">
<Description>
    This step will get called last
</Description>
</Step>
```

- Option catches="complete"
- Step that gets called when a workflow is complete
- Can handle error handling or marking a request as complete
- Used in our "LCM Provisioning" workflow to mark identity request item as complete or failed when workflow ends.



Step Action: Wait

Step uses wait="<Value>" to specify a sleep time in minutes



Transitions

- Transitions are evaluated when the step action or approval completes
- Evaluation is in the order written
- The first transition whose condition evaluates to true, or which has no condition, is taken
- If there are no transitions, or if all of the transition conditions are false, the workflow normally ends
 - Word of caution, be specific about transitions



Transition Examples

- to
 - Specifies the name of the next step
- when
 - Has a scriptlet that tests the value of the built-in "approved" variable
- Second transition has a complex script condition rather than a single line "when" scriptlet
- Third transition is unconditional = fallback transition





Workflow Troubleshooting

Debugging Workflows

Tracing

 Turn on "trace" to "true" in workflows – Output goes to stdout for the app server

Email Redirection

redirect email to a file (System Setup → IdentityIQ Settings → Miscellaneous)

Logging

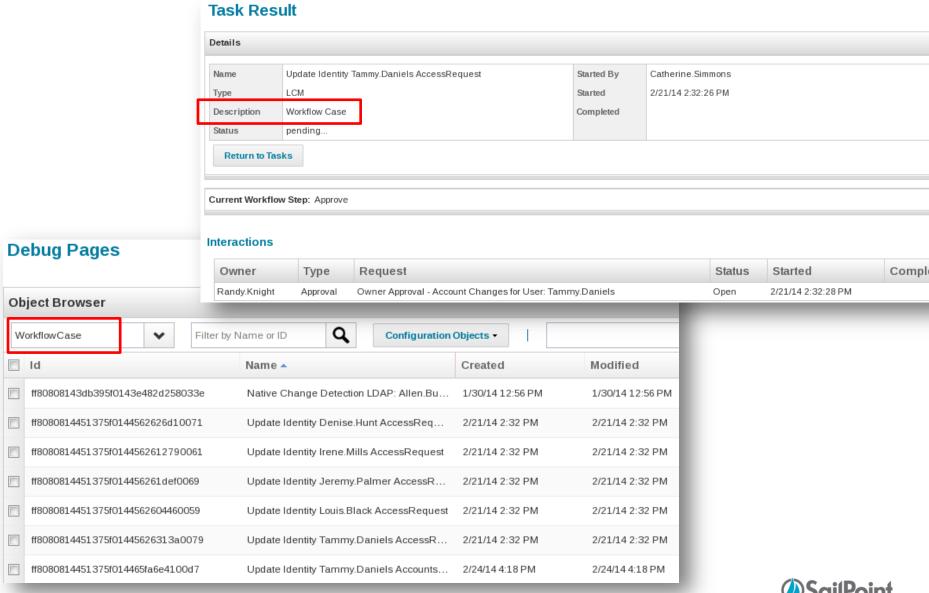
- system.out.println() or log4j are your friends
- log4j.logger.sailpoint.api.Workflower=debug
- log4j.logger.sailpoint.workflow.WorkflowHandler=debug
- log4j.logger.sailpoint.workflow.WorkflowLibrary=debug

Console

- list workitem
- list workflowcase
- The "workflow" console command can be used to launch a workflow case with an XML file containing initial workflow variables



Workflow Status



Workflow Metrics

- Capture analytics for entire workflow
 - Avg/Max/Min Execution Time, # of Executions
- Drill into individual steps and identify execution bottlenecks
- View metrics
 - Process Metrics tab
 - Advanced Analytics → Process Metrics Search



Workflow Monitoring

Monitoring for whole process or individual steps

Monitor Process

Confirmation Form

Verify

Identity Update

LCM Create and Update

LCM Manage Passwords

Ave As

Delete

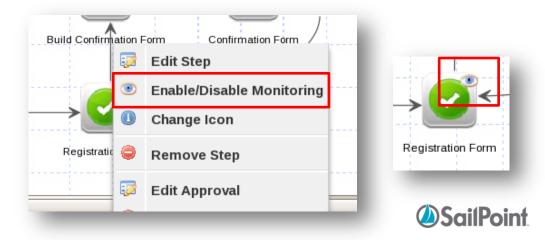
Monitor

Clear

CM Provisioning

CM Registration

Monitor step





Questions?

Exercise Preview

Section 4, Exercise 6

- Exercise 6: Use Lifecycle Manager to Create a Lifecycle Event
 - Configure a new Business Process for an event

