

Rath & Strong brought Lean from Japan in the early 1980s and was the first firm to apply it successfully to services and administrative processes.



Rath & Strong's Lean Six Sigma Offerings

Experience and Depth that Counts

Lean Six Sigma Black Belt

In-depth training for Black Belts in Lean Six Sigma's integrated toolkit results in rapid performance improvement in cost, quality, speed, and service levels. A 4-week version for services and manufacturing is available. This can also include Rath & Strong's unique Team & Influencing Skills for an additional week.

Lean Six Sigma Green Belt

Green Belts learn Lean Six Sigma methodology and gain experience with Lean Six Sigma tools in this fast-paced course. This develops the capability to lead appropriate projects for the skill and leadership level and to participate effectively in Lean Six Sigma projects. A 2-week version for services or manufacturing and a 3-week version for manufacturing is available.

Lean BoosterSM

Supercharge Six Sigma with Lean via innovative tools to eliminate waste and generate continuous flow through the entire value stream. Lean Booster is a one-week fast-track program designed to bring Lean Six Sigma to organizations with a well-established Six Sigma program with no need to start from scratch. Lean Booster follows the DMAIC steps, and applies to both services and manufacturing.

Master Black Belt

Prepares the Master Black Belt to lead the organization in its Lean Six Sigma initiatives for critical improvement and to lead, coach, mentor, and educate colleagues and leadership. We offer a one-week Train-the-Trainer course and a 2-week Master Black Belt course.

Lean Six Sigma Courier Simulation

Our 'famous' simulation and workshop in Lean Six Sigma allows senior executives, mid-managers, and the people who work in and/or own the processes experience Lean Six Sigma in a fun, interactive learning environment. One-day simulations for services and manufacturing are available. Versions of this workshop have been wildly successful at leading companies such as GE, Merck, Johnson & Johnson, and Quest Diagnostics.

Integrated Lean Six Sigma Roadmap

Rath & Strong's Integrated Lean Six Sigma Road Map is the first of its kind to take you step by step in developing your Project Plan and to show you and your team members how to use Six Sigma tools to eliminate variation and Lean tools to create flow. This unfolds to a 38-inch x 26-inch map.

For more information about Rath & Strong's Lean Six Sigma Offerings please call +1 781 861 1700 or email info@rathstrong.com.

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"The Rath & Strong Lean Booster course is the best course I've seen that provides Lean instruction in a Six Sigma DMAIC format and is designed also for service organizations. The course is tightly aligned with DMAIC and provides practical illustrations and opportunities to apply the Lean content in realistic service case studies. The course excels at showing Six Sigma professionals when and how to apply Lean in the context of DMAIC. It also has running case studies and application exercises that help students clearly understand how Lean can be applied throughout a DMAIC project as well as providing them practice in that application in a service context. This is a very "hands-on" class. Students will be asked to develop a current state and a future state Value Stream Map and a cell.

Finally, and very importantly, the course equips students to go out and make an impact. One example: Using what was learned in the course, one of our Black Belts led a project at Quest Diagnostics that has been able to dramatically reduce the time to report test results on a critical maternal screening test. It started at 10 days; now we're measuring it in hours. Patients (and doctors) anxiously awaiting the results are very pleased."

Eric Mattenson
Vice President, Six Sigma
Quest Diagnostics, Inc.

Rath & Strong's Lean BoosterSM

Supercharge Six Sigma with Lean — Fast!

Rath & Strong designed Lean Booster so that in just one week an organization with existing Six Sigma programs can get the huge benefits of Lean Six Sigma — without starting from scratch. Lean Booster leverages the firm's ongoing investments in improvement and training its people. Rath & Strong created the new methodologies and tools in Lean Booster structured in DMAIC, so everyone can work within the same framework — and fast!

Lean Booster participants get a strong baseline via the most progressive breakthrough approach to Lean Six Sigma available today.

Companies select either the one-week Lean Booster course or the two-week Lean Practitioner course. Both courses show participants how to

- develop a working knowledge of Lean Six Sigma principles, design practices, and tools, including Value Stream Mapping.
- understand the ways in which Lean and Six Sigma complement each other.
- develop systematic methods for applying Lean design practices and tools.
- practice with the tools.
- gain working knowledge of your company's strategy for Lean Six Sigma.

Lean Booster and Lean Practitioner are designed for manufacturing and transactional/service environments. At the end of the course, participants have gained understanding of Lean Six Sigma and the ability to run a real-world Lean project with some coaching. The one-week course emphasizes understanding of Lean Six Sigma with in-class application to real-life problems. The two-week Practitioner course prepares participants to apply Lean to their own work processes as Lean Practitioner. Rath & Strong also offers a Train-the-Trainer short course for those organizations that wish to add Lean Booster to their internal training capability.

Lean Booster is based on over 70 years of history helping our clients — such as Johnson & Johnson, Quest Diagnostics, JP Morgan Chase, and Siemens — achieve sustainable performance improvements. Our suite of services and products includes Lean Booster, Lean Six Sigma Green Belt training, Lean Six Sigma Black Belt training, the new Lean Six Sigma version of our "famous" Courier Simulation, as well as other programs that help companies achieve lasting success, such as Team & Influence Skills for Belts, Leadership Development, Change Management, Train-the-Trainer, and coaching.

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