My Experience with PMI CoPs

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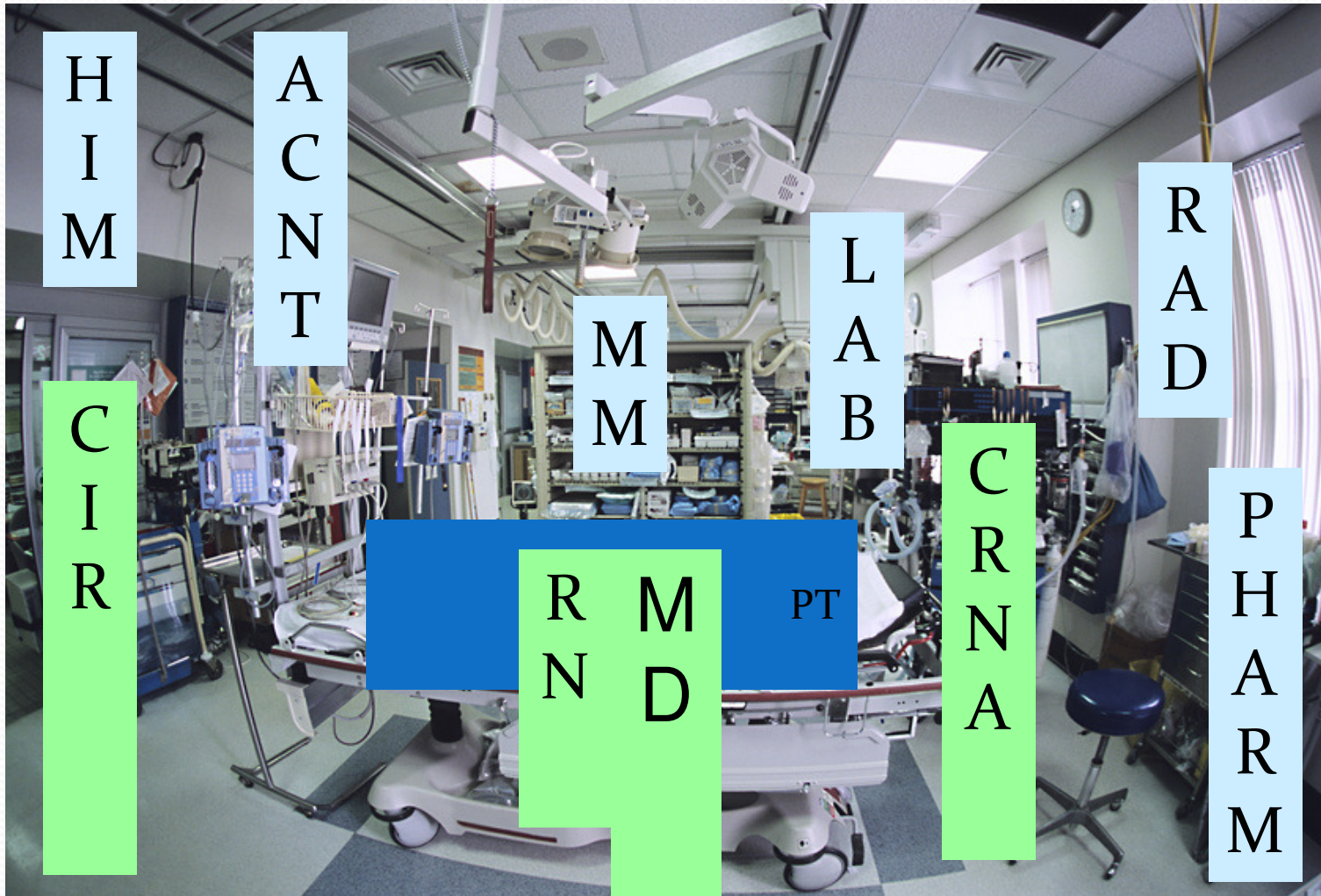
PMI Healthcare CoP

Objectives

- Enjoy the networking

- Get some PDUs

- Satisfying Meal

- Identify what a CoP is

- Learn how a CoP Benefits us

- Compare CoPs and Chapters

- Tell a few stories

Target Audience

- Project Managers
- Stakeholders with the following:
  - Basic knowledge of project principles
  - Experience planning team work plans / activities
  - Desire to learn outside the box

Surgery Anyone?

What Is a CoP

- CoP = Community of Practice
- Came from SIG (Specific Interest Group)
- SIG was separate corporation – CoP is now part of the PMI organization
- PMI Charter Renewals stopped in Dec 2011
- Global in scope – typically industry specific
- Can you Build Your Own CoP?

Communities of Practice

Network and build knowledge in the virtual world

Exclusively available to PMI members, our communities of practice are interactive places

Are you looking for more ways to earn PDUs?
Find out how.

Find out what's happening in PMI's **Communities of Practice.**

Aerospace and Defense

Agile

Automation Systems

Change Management

China Project Management

Construction Industry

Consulting

Earned Value Management

eBusiness

Energy, Oil, Gas and Petrochemical

Entertainment

Ethics in Project Management

Financial Services Industry

Global Diversity

Global Sustainability

Government

Healthcare

Human Resource Project Management

Information Systems

Innovation and New Product Development

International Development

IT and Telecom

Leadership in Project Management

Learning, Education and Development

Legal Project Management

Marketing and Sales

New Practitioners

Organizational Project Management

Pharmaceutical

Program Management Office

Project Management Quality

Project Risk Management

Requirements Management

Retail

Scheduling

Service and Outsourcing

Transportation

Troubled Projects

Utility Industry

What does a CoP Do

- Provides support of the project management profession through virtual means.
- All meetings are conducted electronically
- All training is performed using WBT technology
- Provide presentation review for Global Congress
- Identify "Best Practices" within a specific industry
- Develop industry specific templates
- Are international in scope
- Provide Mentor Opportunities
- Represent PMI at Industry Events / Conferences

Compare CoP and Chapters

- What does a chapter do?

- Do Chapters and CoPs compete?

- Can you volunteer for both?

- Can we leverage one to help the other? If so how?
  - Industry focused application of project principles
  - Free PDUs from their webinars
  - Free templates from other PMs like you
  - Domain / Knowledge Area specific alignment

How You Can Use CoPs

- Learn how to apply industry specific techniques
  - <Go to DOD Extension to PMBoK>
  - <Go to Healthcare CoP and view Best Practices>
- Missed Global Congress
  - <Go To Aerospace Specific Presentations>
- Find someone who can help
  - <Go to consulting CoP>
- Learn how to apply knowledge base info
  - <Go to Risk CoP>

How Did Volunteering Help Me

- Improved my understanding of project principles
- Improved my work results for my employer
- Expanded my understanding of project processes
- Spoke at a chapter meeting in Mumbai India
- Spoke at HIMSS PMI Group Meeting
- Presented at Healthcare leaders conference in San Diego
- Developed Best Practice for implementing projects in a healthcare organization
- Developed templates for others
- Set up webinar opportunities for others to learn about Project principles
- What opportunities exist?

Last Notes

- What are your personal goals (because it IS personal)?
- What tools do you need to achieve your goals?
  - Chapter
  - CoP
  - PMI
  - University
- How do you apply project management methods
- Each journey is unique, so use those tools that will benefit you the most.

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Questions

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