









# Hiring Process Improvement

## Eight Types of Waste

<p><b>WAITING</b> </p> <p>People, information, or resources remain idle due to delays or inefficiencies.</p>	<p><b>DEFECTS</b> </p> <p>Errors, mistakes, and rework required to fix issues</p>	<p><b>UNUSED TALENT</b> </p> <p>Underutilization of people's talents, skills, and knowledge</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Waiting on candidates to submit documents or complete tasks</li> <li>• Waiting for results of background checks</li> <li>• Waiting for approvals or decisions from others</li> <li>• Delays due to inefficient interview scheduling</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Data entry errors</li> <li>• Lack of communication</li> <li>• Reworking job postings due to incomplete or inaccurate information</li> <li>• Providing incorrect information to job applicants</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Not utilizing technology solutions</li> <li>• Restricting problem solving and decision making</li> <li>• Discouraging questions about the process.</li> </ul>
<p><b>INAPPROPRIATE PROCESSING</b> </p> <p>Performing unnecessary or excessive steps that do not add value to the service</p>	<p><b>OVERPRODUCTION</b> </p> <p>Processing too soon or more than required</p>	<p><b>EXCESS INVENTORY</b> </p> <p>Excess or obsolete resources (e.g., physical items, data, or information)</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Duplication of effort (e.g., filling in same data on multiple forms, signatures by same person multiple times in the process)</li> <li>• Collecting excessive candidate information or documentation</li> <li>• Application requirements that are not used, Requiring more references than necessary</li> <li>• Using complex approval processes for routine tasks</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Creating resources that are not utilized</li> <li>• Printing excessive copies of forms/hiring packets that become outdated or go unused.</li> <li>• Generating excessive reports or data that do not contribute to decision-making processes.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Accumulating excessive stock of recruitment materials, such as brochures, that may become outdated before use</li> <li>• Maintaining redundant candidate/employee files or databases</li> <li>• Stockpiling career fair giveaways that eventually become obsolete.</li> </ul>
<p><b>EXCESS MOTION</b> </p> <p>Unnecessary movements by people</p>	<p><b>TRANSPORTING</b> </p> <p>Unnecessary movement of items or information</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Routing forms to multiple departments</li> <li>• Requiring candidates to return multiple times.</li> <li>• Walking long distances to access information and resources.</li> <li>• Searching for digital files or documents in complex folder structures or disorganized systems.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Handing off candidate requests or questions between multiple employees or departments</li> <li>• Sending paper forms for signatures</li> <li>• Interoffice mail</li> </ul>	

## Activity: Identifying Waste

### INSTRUCTIONS

The process map on the next page describes a sample job requisition process. Examine the process for waste. Circle steps in the process that contain waste. For each area that you circle, identify the type of waste that is present. Some steps may contain more than one type of waste.

# Process Map: Requisition for Hire

