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The Pinnacle Center
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Hudsonville 49426

The First Frontier
...and last to be managed...
Capacity

Promises are made to customers. What it takes to source and order materials is generally well known. What it takes to pick/pack/ship your products is also well known.

But what happens in between? Why is it so difficult to manage the “in between”?

Because scheduling production does not always mean it will run as scheduled. Lack of effective capacity management can make schedule attainment challenging if not seemingly impossible at times.

Capacity Management Step-By-Step

Presenters: Debra Smith, CFPIM, CIRM, CSCP & Randall Schaefer, CPIM

This seminar will teach both the strategic and tactical sides of capacity management. Many manufacturers today are leveraging production capacity strategically to provide competitive advantage. Attendees will learn how to develop a capacity strategy that meets their company's business needs and step-by-step instructions for implementing it.

The tactical portion of the seminar will teach a step-by-step process for managing both long and short term capacity. Demand drivers, workcenter/cell data, routings, shop calendar options, and capacity units will be covered in detail as well as capacity reporting formats, evaluating responses to capacity constraints/excesses, queue control, and improved schedule attainment measures. There will also be interesting discussions of managing supplier capacity, the traps implicit in constraints management (and how to avoid them), capacity management in lean environments, and a comparison/evaluation of infinite vs. finite capacity management. This session is interspersed with practical workshop learning activities and cases.