Common Myths about Six Sigma

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Abstract

Although Six Sigma initiatives have grown in popularity due to success, the methodologies are not a panacea for all organizational ills. In fact, as the initiatives propagate, certain myths are encountered more and more frequently. In this paper, the authors share some misconceptions that are faced regularly in their communications with managers of various organizations. They provide insights to counter these misconceptions by contrasting various Six Sigma beliefs with those of proven quality experts and statisticians.