**Self-Assessment for:**

Provide a structure for continual review of existing information technology procedures in an effort to implement a lean methodology.

**Where did you create This Artifact?**

This was the final research paper in regards to INMGT 700. When putting together the research to support an upgrade for any critical business system. I created this using case studies, and detailed analysis of current trends. Part of that also included the support phase of any upgrade in which would include the lean fundamentals.

**What I learned**

I learned that a proper upgrade does take upfront planning to be successful. The planning phase of a project has to be considerate of the ongoing maintenance which will ultimately decide if the project is successful or not. Being able to articulate that to the decision makers will lead to a better long-term buy in for the project.

**How will you apply this?**

I plan on applying this in future upgrade discussions where I am the project leader. A system that has been in place for a number of years can have many obstacle to overcome and being aware of the long term effect of the maintenance and support cycle can benefit lean methodology.

**What challenges did you overcome?**

This was challenge in gathering all the needed arguments for and against. At times the arguments where in odds with what I may support but it is still a valid argument. Being able to take the good and the bad critiques on a project often make the plan a successful one.