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The VISTA Software Lifecycle Eight Essential Points



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About VISTA Expertise Network

- VISTA specialists
- Pulls together teams of experienced VISTA gurus, experts, and journeymen to collaborate
- Adoption support: Responding to need for affordable implementation and support for needy, underfunded and severely versioned providers
- Paideia: Training for development and support
- In the future: Mso, collaboration on core modules
- Nonprofit incorporation and 501(c)(3) application

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1 · VISTA Requires the VISTA Lifecycle

Many lifecycles have been tried with VISTA.

Only one has worked well.

VISTA has its own software lifecycle.

We should use it.

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2 · Many Code Repositories, Not One

VISTA is bigger than you think it is.

It is too big too manage as a whole.

One code repository will not work.

We need one per package.

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3 · Many Authorities, Not One

Managing VISTA requires vast expertise.

No individual or committee can do it.

Authority must be decentralized & concentrated.

Expert programmers must rule each package.

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4 · Users Drive the VISTA Software Lifecycle

Only users are competent to set VISTA's priorities.

So, users directly drive the lifecycle.

Each user requests any changes they need or want.

This is the only approach proven to work with VISTA.

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5 · Users & Programmers Need a Forum

The Forum system is the hub of the software lifecycle.

Users make and discuss their requests on this system.

It is a specially configured VISTA system.

HIPAA agreements must be signed.

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6 · VISTA Stream Requires Many Tributaries

Teams change VISTA in their package gold accounts.

Changes are distributed by Forum Patch Module.

Subscribers receive patches and new versions.

Platinum codebase is a result, not a source.

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7 · Start with File Manager & Forum

First, Medsphere Fileman as seed for Fileman 23.

Second, Forum software to upgrade as we go.

Later, expand to VPE, Kernel, and Lab.

Need the right license.

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8 · Declare Interdependence & Confederate

Past: VA as hub of worldwide lifecycle.

Future: VA as peer in cross-organizational lifecycle.

Present: Time to create that future.

Declare interdependence & form a confederation.

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Thank You

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