

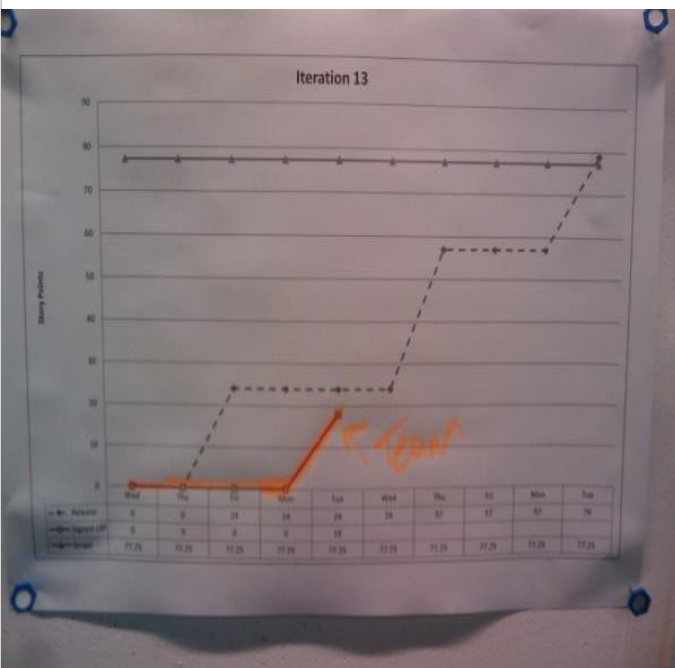
Big Visible Charts

Using **Big Visible Charts** (aka *BVCs* or *Information Radiators*) is a practice used to raise the visibility of work.

BVCs create an environment of Trust, Courage and Honesty by pushing the information out rather than hiding information in files.

The most common example is the **Storywall**, which shows the progress of the team against the iteration plan, and is updated daily. Other examples include:

- iteration and release burn up charts
- earned value charts
- test coverage/iteration
- tests cases run vs. test cases passed
- number of remedies opened/number closed
- development / team standards
- project charter
- retrospective outcomes



Tips:

- **Size** does matter and **bigger** is better!
- Be honest and up to date with the information
- Use something that is easy to maintain
- Hand-drawn is generally better than computer generated
- Information should be predictive and reflective
- Have a title in plain English so anyone walking by can know what it's about
- **EVERYONE** helps to keep it up to date
- If it's not working, try something else!



REFERENCE

- For more information on using Big Visible charts you may like to go to: <http://www.xprogramming.com/xpmag/>