STDDS Course Development: Lessons Learned

Observations

- Existing STDDS content drove course structure
- Supportive and engaged stakeholders/SMEs
- Development was time and resource constrained
- Knowledge focus rather on enabling specific job performance
- Assumption that learner can apply concepts on the job
- Audio: Time-consuming, acronym pronunciation was a pain
- Interactions: Click to reveal and knowledge check questions
- MCD interface video: Interactive, practical, good work
- Style: Passive voice, consistency issues
- Test: Multiple Answer questions caused confusion

Lessons Learned

- Build for job task performance, embed knowledge content
- Front-end analysis: Define audience, purpose, performance outcomes
- ClipChamp was very good. Putting audio text in spreadsheet helped.
- Audio: Convert to m4a in Windows; why don't we use mp4?
- Audio Clips: Retain text for reuse/revisions
- Interaction: SME microvideos, open-ended question engagement, screen capture video, problem solving activities, etc.
- Style: Active voice, use our style guide