Activity 31: Create a workflow template and submit files to workflows

Who should complete this activity

- Prepress operators
- Prepress managers
- System administrators

Why you should complete this activity

Prinergy Evo software uses process templates, a collection of predefined and user-defined settings that instruct Prinergy Evo how to perform processes. All process templates are created and edited in the Process Template Editor.

The Workflow Template Editor is a powerful tool that you can also use to link process and control steps together. The process and control steps can be completed sequentially or in parallel. Control steps allow you group and hold input files within a workflow. Once the workflow templates are set up, they:

- Allow you to link process steps and control steps together to define a workflow.
- Provide process consistency by minimizing manual effort, reducing errors, and increasing efficiency.
- Increase productivity by providing an easy way to check processing status and track input and output files.

After completing this activity, you will be able to:

- Compare the advantages and limitations of the three methods of submitting and processing files: using template palettes, the Template Browser, and workflow templates.
- Determine the method that provides the most control and is least prone to manual errors.
- Decide whether you will use workflow templates, template palettes, or the Template Browser in your workplace.

Recommended reading

- Prinergy Evo Quick Reference Card 2

Time required to complete this activity

30 minutes

Note: This activity consists of four parts. Each part is dependent on the previous part. It is important that you complete them in order, but you are not required to complete all parts in one working session.

What you'll learn

- How to create a workflow template that can be used to run multiple jobs with different sets of input files sat the same time
- How to use a workflow template to run and monitor more than one workflow

What you'll need

- Access to an installed and configured Prinergy Evo system licensed for output from PDF
- In the location to which you extracted the activity files, find the **Activity 31** folder and these files:

    - `ITP_Fat.ps`
    - `ACT_Fat.ps`
    - `ITP_fat.p0001a.pdf`

What you'll do

- Create a workflow template for standard Prinergy Evo workflow configurations
- Run and monitor Workflow 1 and Workflow 2 using the same workflow template
- Add an updated page to Workflow 1
- Create an imposition (Workflow 1)