Quality Improvement Processes

A Rose By Any Other Name...

Basic Concept

- Quality Improvement Processes
 - come in many shapes and sizes
 - go by many different names
 - are marketed by many different sources
 - With a common goal...
- To improve and assure the safety, quality, and cost efficiency of health care

Today's Goal

- Our goal today is to lay the groundwork for future training sessions regarding quality improvement
- We will get a taste of numerous methodologies and approached to quality improvement
- One size does not fit all
- Quality improvement is a journey taken in baby steps – not giant leaps

Common Quality Improvement Processes

- Model for Improvement
 - Rapid Cycle Quality Improvement
 - PDSA
- Human Factors
- Lean Methodology
 - 5S
- Failure Modes and Effects Analysis
- Root Cause Analysis

Exercise

• Let's make the perfect peanut butter and jelly sandwich!



Learning

- Do we all define the process in the same way?
- Did we assume steps without spelling them out?
- Did we all address the problem in the same way, or were there variations in our processes?

Rapid Cycle Process Improvement

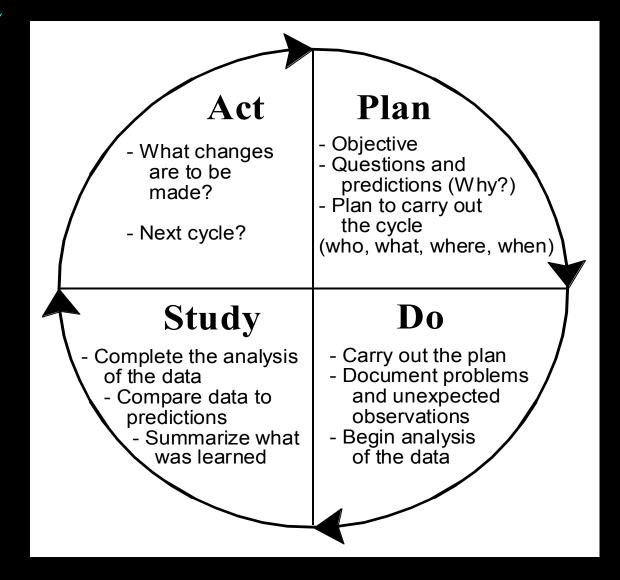
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WHAT is the PDSA Cycle?

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The PDSA Cycle for Learning and

Improvement



- Let's PLAN The Perfect Peanut Butter and Jelly Sandwich!!!!
- What do we want to improve?
- What change should we test?
- What is our anticipated outcome?
- Theorize

- Let's **DO** The Perfect PB & J Sandwich!!!
- Put the theory into practice
- Map the new plan
- Carry out the change on a small scale or pilot basis
- Evaluate change with qualitative and quantitative data

- Let's STUDY The Perfect PB & J Sandwich!!!
- Evaluate and determine the degree of success.
- Determine what, if any, modifications are required.

- **©**Let's **ACT ON** The Perfect PB & J Sandwich!!!
 - - by testing on a larger scale in a new cycle
 - **★**Adapt
 - *based on lessons learned from the test
 - **Abandon**
 - By trying something different

The PDSA Cycle for Learning and Improvement

Act

- What changes are to be made?
- Next cycle?

Plan

- Objective
- Questions and predictions (Why?)
- Plan to carry out the cycle (who, what, where, when)

Study

- Complete the analysis of the data
 - Compare data to predictions
 - Summarize what was learned

Do

- Carry out the plan
- Document problems and unexpected observations
- Begin analysis of the data