

## HCH Performance Improvement Committee Meeting Minutes

Date of Meeting:	7/17/2019	Time:	8-9am
Location:	421 Fallsway, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Fl Large Conf. Room	Minutes prepared by:	Ziad Amer
<b>Attendees</b>			
Z. Amer, C. Bauer, C. Brocht, D. Dexter, J. Diamond, B. Dipietro, J. Ferdous, C. Fowler, T. Gedin, M. Johnston, H. Mast, K. Mehl, L. Ojeda, A. Richert, T. Russell, A. Shearer, J. Tate, A. Trustman, G. Thacker, M. Williams			
<b>Agenda and Notes, Decisions, Issues</b>			
<b>Topic</b>	<b>Discussion</b>		
<b>Monthly Dashboard</b>	<p>Adult Weight Screening and Counseling:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sustained above goal for 9 months in a row – currently at 83%</li> </ul> <p>Child Weight Screening and Counseling:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No changes have been implemented – our kickoff meeting for the project was held 6/20 – Continued to track our baseline data – Currently at 58%</li> </ul> <p>Pediatric Dental Varnish:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Continued 4 months in a row of at or above goal results. Implementing EMR fields and retraining in June for sustainability.</li> </ul> <p>Provider Communication:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Slight dip (2%) over last Client Experience Survey results in November.</li> <li>No actionable change has been implemented yet.</li> <li>Yellow team and community sites have increased significantly over last survey</li> <li>Currently at 78%</li> </ul> <p>Incident Reporting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Still below goal with no sustained changes implemented to drive improvement. Currently at 17%</li> </ul> <p>Missed appointments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Continue to hover at 25% with more work still needed to bring us to our 20% goal. We are currently still testing change ideas.</li> </ul>		
<b>PI Spotlight: PDSA Model</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>PDSA's are not the final step in the improvement process – it is only the middle</li> <li>We begin by finding the root cause of our problems and developing hunches and theories to address those problems.</li> <li>PDSAs – Plan, Do, Study, Act cycles, are methods of testing our hunches and hypotheses and to learn more about our problem and our approach.</li> <li>PDSAs help us increase our belief that the change idea will result in improvement – through our testing and trials we can determine the level of success we can expect.</li> </ul>		

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● PDSAs also help us evaluate the costs and side effects before we fully implement the change idea</li><li>● Similarly, PDSAs allow for the participants to raise questions and experience the potential change prior to implementation, decreasing organizational resistance to this change.</li><li>● PDSA cycles should be small, rapid cycles that utilize previous knowledge as a guide</li><li>● The benefits of starting small are:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Low cost/resources needed</li><li>○ Immediate results</li><li>○ Ease of adaptation</li></ul></li><li>● Data collection is critical to a successful PDSA! Without data we cannot definitively say whether or not the PDSA was conclusive or not.</li><li>● The scope of a PDSA should balance: the Staff Readiness for change and the Level of Belief that <u>this</u> change will lead to improvement AND the Cost of Failure<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ A matrix can be used as a guide to determine the scope of your first PDSA.</li><li>○ No Commitment from Staff, Low Belief in this change and High Cost of Failure should yield a very small scale test – perhaps one encounter with a patient</li><li>○ Conversely, a Moderate Commitment from Staff, High Belief in this change and a Low Cost of Failure could be a large scale test – perhaps a week long study using the full medical team.</li></ul></li><li>● The smallest scale test we can run is the 1:1:1 test – 1 provider:1 patient:1 encounter</li><li>● An effective PDSA cycle has a clearly stated prediction for the change idea and simple data collection!<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ A conclusive PDSA is <b><u>NOT</u></b> one that proves your prediction correct! A conclusive PDSA test is one that was conducted as planned with effective data collection – even if it doesn't lead to improvement!</li><li>○ PDSAs are ineffective tools if we do not collect data properly or if the test was not conducted as planned and stated!</li></ul></li><li>● It is always important to document your tests and progress as evidence of your work. This will become valuable information to guide future changes<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ This information can also help other departments as you can show the methodology behind your improvement!</li></ul></li></ul>
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**Project Updates:  
Blood Pressure Control in Hypertensive Patients**

- We exceeded our goal of 65% for the first time in June with our score of 66%!
- Though we expect this to not be linked to sustainable scores as there have been no lasting changes implemented as a result of the subcommittee work
- However, since our last PI Committee discussion on Hypertension, the subcommittee has:
  - Tested medication adherence tools
  - Trained and conducted ongoing competency training for BP monitoring
  - Optimized BP recording fields in the EMR to allow for multiple entries
- Our medication adherence assessment tools were tested to determine if they successfully reveal the client's adherence to treatment plans and to uncover potential barriers to their full adherence
- By implementing a standardized system to monitor adherence, providers can adjust their treatment plans and strategies to best fit the client's needs
- We tested the use of the Morisky Questionnaire, an 8 point scale assessing adherence and reasons for non-adherence with clients.
  - 1<sup>st</sup> PDSA was provider led and yielded low adherence scores
    - Being provider led, we also found that clients felt guilty having to reveal their lack of medication adherence – we adapted our approach
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> PDSAs were self-assessments, which also yielded low adherence scores
    - We had a high rate of completion for these questionnaires with no literacy issues
- Through these conclusive PDSA cycles, we determined that the Morisky questionnaire did not capture a detailed picture of our clients' medication adherence
  - We are exploring another assessment tool (Hill-Bone Adherence scale) that may address a broader range of issues relating to medication adherence
- Upon selection of a standardized assessment, we will also need a multi-lingual version – primarily in Spanish for our clients
- Additionally, some of our providers did not find the tool beneficial as they already use their own means of medication adherence assessment
- However, overall it is important that we test and uncover a standard and comprehensive practice to assess med. Adherence.
- Our next steps:

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Test the use of our modified Hill-Bone assessment tool</li> <li>○ Begin discussion with HI and IT to integrate the assessment into the EMR</li> <li>○ Continue to track medication adherence among patients</li> <li>● Additionally, we began our training and ongoing competency testing for CMAs and RNs on BP monitoring: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Catherine Fowler led BP training on July 11<sup>th</sup> that detailed the importance of BP monitoring, the risks of hypertension, work plans and BP thresholds, clinical processes and overall this yielded high levels of engagement from the participants</li> <li>○ Catherine will continue competency testing through the weeks of 7/15 – 7/19 and 7/22 – 7/26</li> <li>○ Competency will be Pass/Fail based on a 7 part BP monitoring test</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p><b>Discussion: Client Experience Survey</b></p> <p><b>PI Key Performance Indicators</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● A brief overview of the latest bi-annual Client Experience Survey conducted in May 2019, shows that we have seen significant improvement in both the Yellow Team at Fallsway as well as the two community sites – West Baltimore and Baltimore County <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ West Baltimore improved on 37% of questions since the last survey</li> <li>○ Baltimore County improved on 47% of questions since the last survey</li> </ul> </li> <li>● There is still more to be done, this is expected as we have not implemented changes to yield sustaining results</li> <li>● Fallsway non-yellow team improved on 2 questions both pertaining to care coordination!</li> <li>● An overview of our Key Performance indicators which were set and agreed upon at the start of the year, show improvement in some areas and room to improve in others. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Our Performance indicators and goals compared to Q2 results are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ % of PI goals met – Goal of 80% - Q2 at 33%</li> <li>▪ % of staff involved in PI efforts – Goal of 64% - Q2 at 72%</li> <li>▪ % of PI projects with client involvement – Goal of 100% - Q2 at 11%</li> <li>▪ % of PDSA cycles completed conclusively – Goal of 90% - Q2 at 75%</li> <li>▪ % of staff with formal PI training – Goal of 75% - Q2 at 57%</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ # of requests for PI consults by projects and deliverables – Goal of 20 and 50 respectively – Q2 at 18 and 30 respectively</li><li>○ Lastly, the measure for advancing the culture of improvement based on the score of organizational CQI orientation (a 1-5 scale) is conducted at the end of the year. Our goal is 3.7 out of 5.</li></ul>
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**Next Meeting:**

Wednesday, August 21st, 2019  
8am – 9am  
3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Large Conference Room