

# *Team* **STEPPS**

## **Beyond Implementation: Development, Integration, & Evolution**

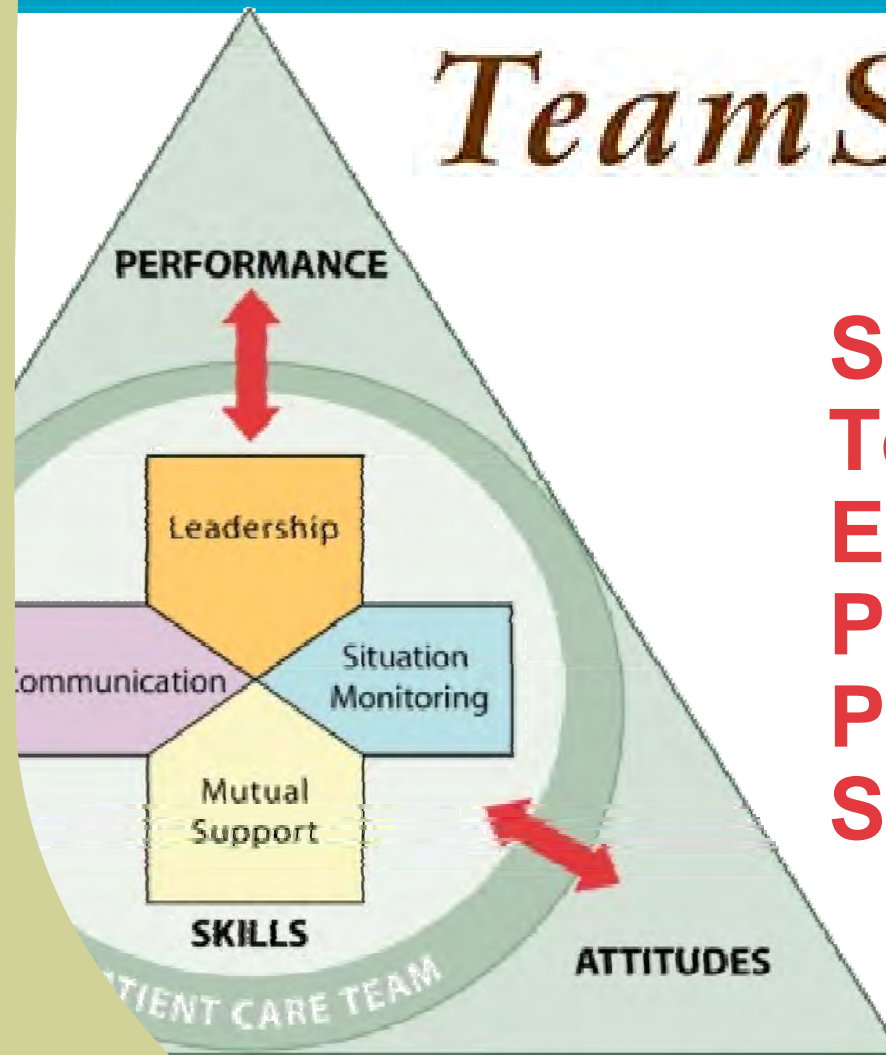
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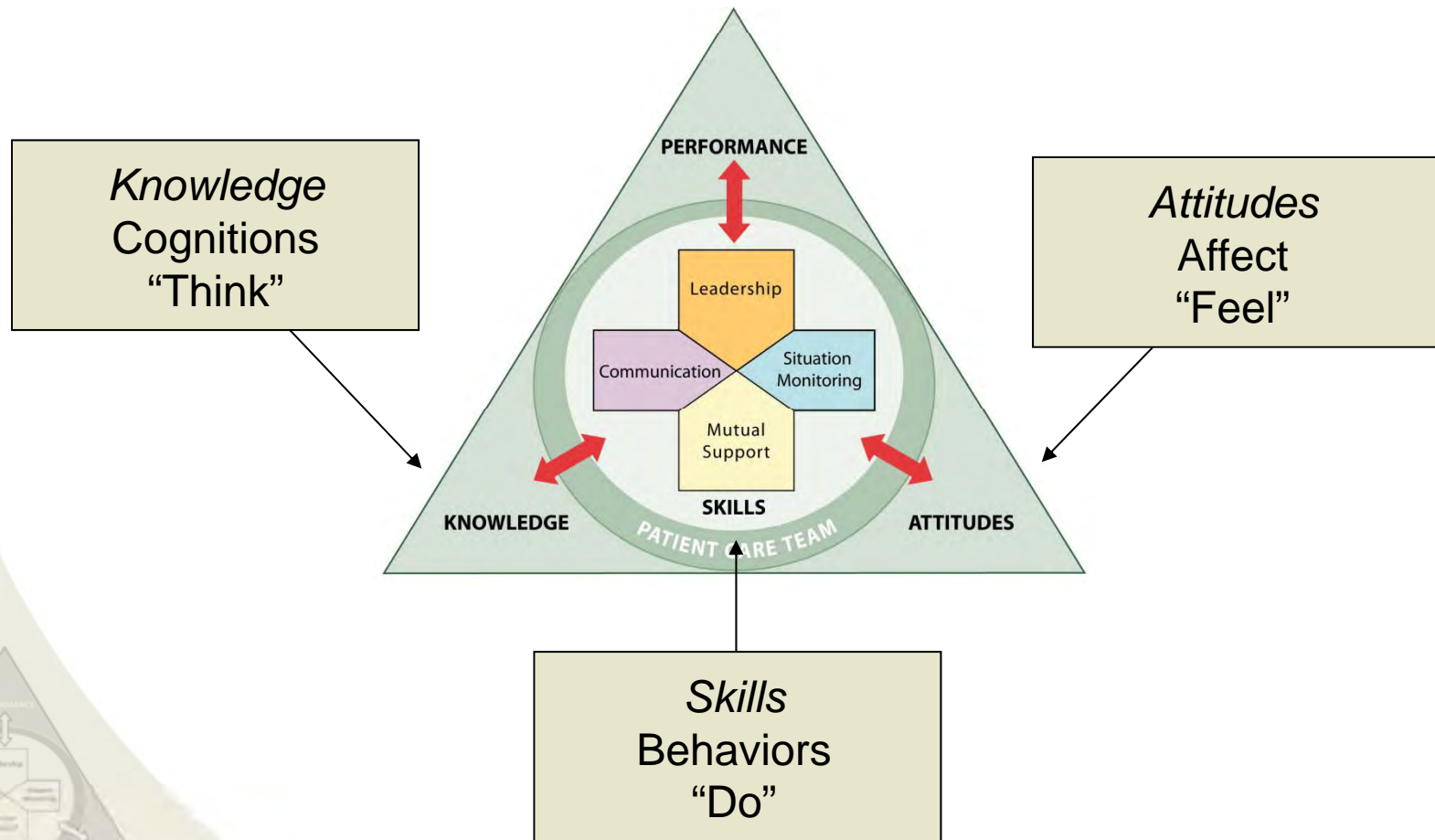
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# What Makes Up Team Performance?



## Medical Team Training (MTT) *Concept*

- **Separate set of skills**
- **Focused on communication & coordination**
- **Important in all clinical environments**
- **Essential in specific clinical environments**
  - **(ED, OR, L&D, ICU, Rapid Response, Cath Lab)**
- **Augment clinical knowledge & skills**
  - **Create Error-Containment Strategies (Voice)**



## Barriers – Tools - Outcomes

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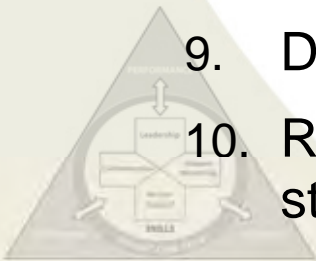
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- What patient safety issue or challenge is your organization facing that is linked to a problem or problems with teamwork?



# 10 Steps of Implementation Planning

1. Create a Change Team
2. Define the problem, challenge, or opportunity for improvement
3. Define the aim(s) of your TeamSTEPPS intervention
4. Design a TeamSTEPPS intervention
5. Develop a plan for testing the effectiveness of your TeamSTEPPS intervention
6. Develop an implementation plan
7. Develop a plan for sustained continuous improvement
8. Develop a communications plan
9. Develop a TeamSTEPPS Implementation Plan timeline
10. Review your TeamSTEPPS Implementation Plan with key stakeholders and modify according to input





### Step 5: Develop a Plan for Testing Your TeamSTEPPS Interventions

#### Key Actions:

- Identify who on your Change Team will be responsible for data collection, analysis, and presentation (generation of graphs and charts)
- Identify a measure and define target ranges for that measure
- Measure before and after you implement TeamSTEPPS
- Consider Kirkpatrick's taxonomy when selecting measures

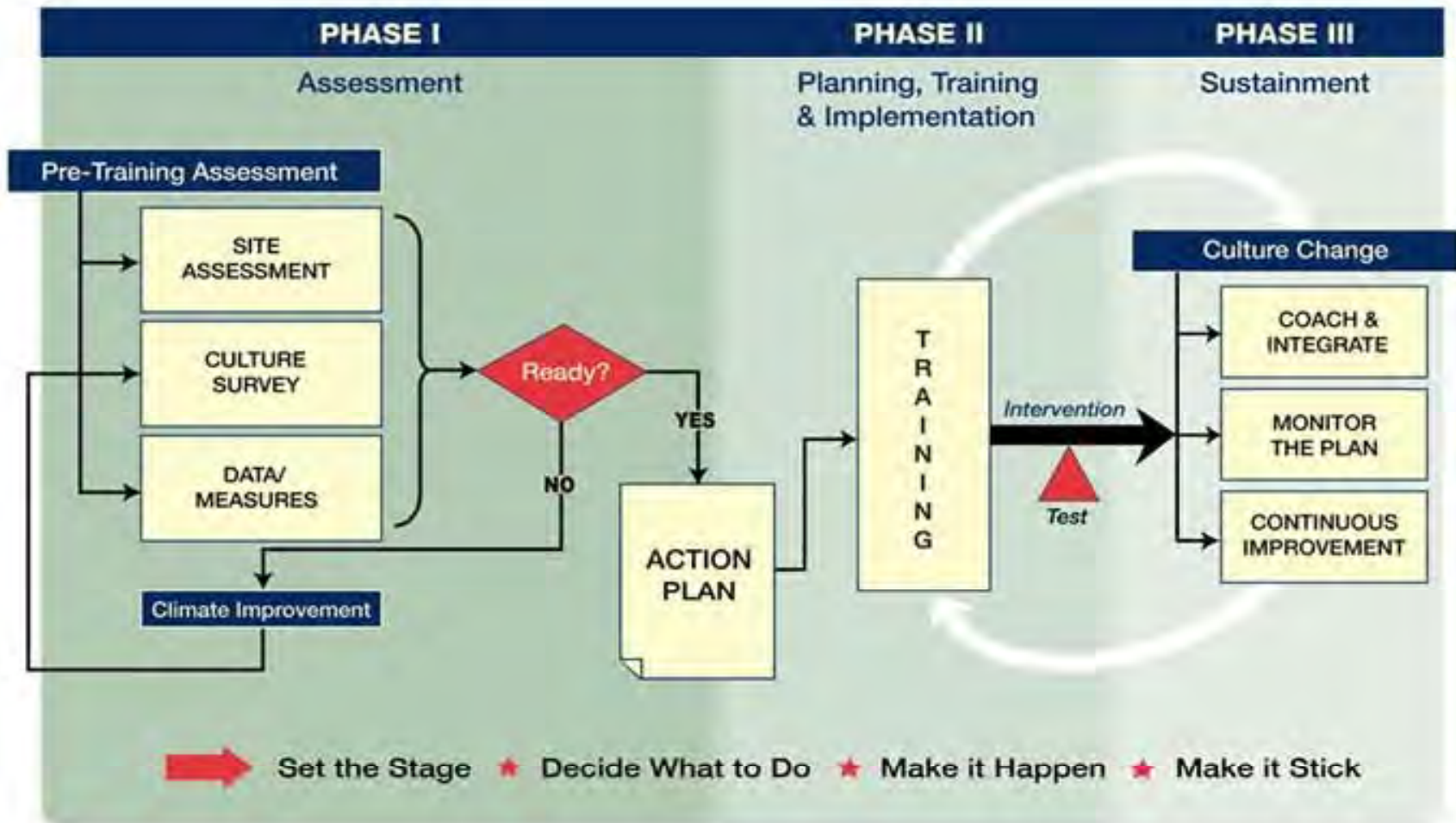
Who is responsible?

At what level will you measure and what measures will you use?

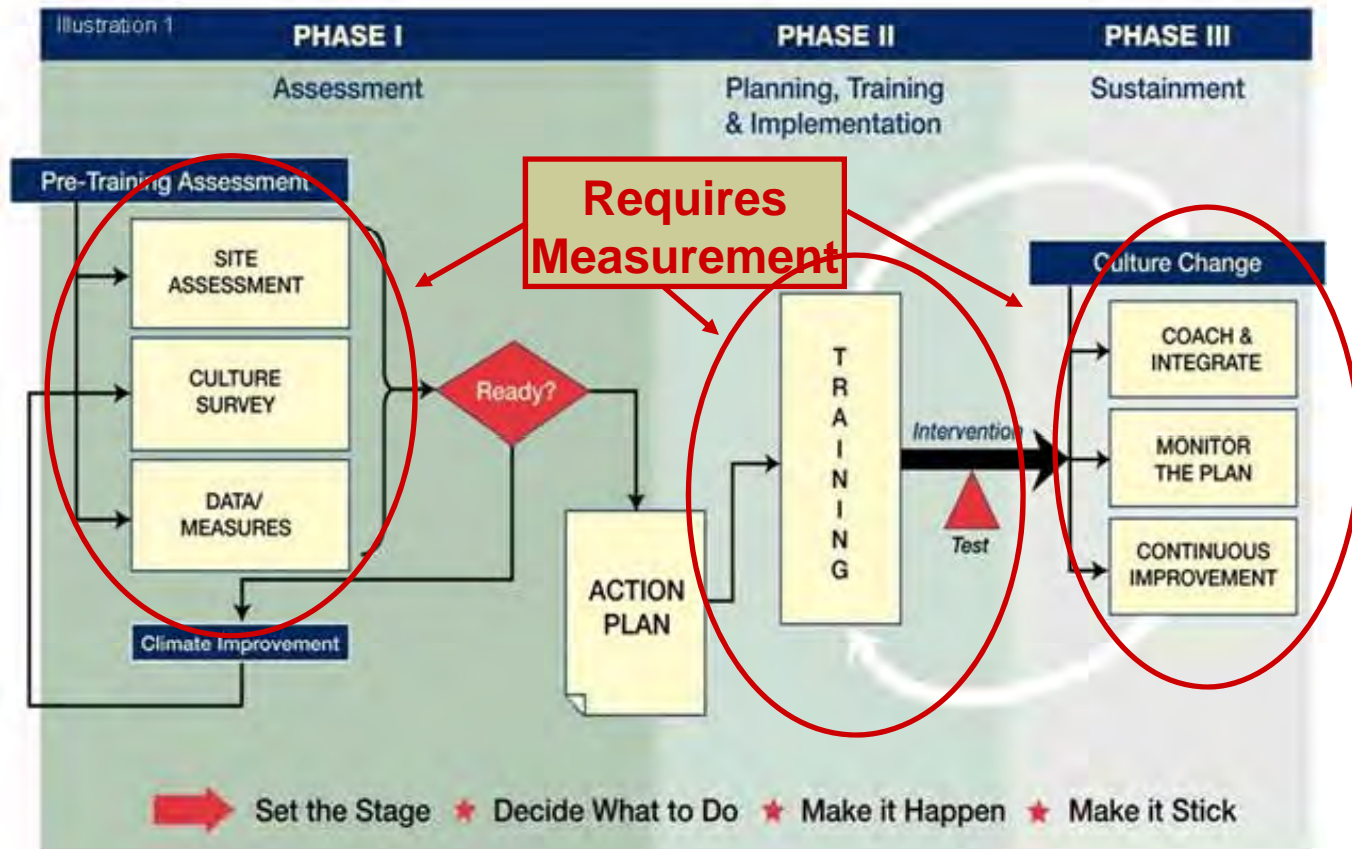
1. Level I Reactions
2. Level II Learning
3. Level III Behavior
4. Level IV Results



# Shift Toward a Culture of Safety



# TeamSTEPPS Phases



## Implementation Planning

1. What do we want to change?
2. How will we measure the change?  
Current status? End State?
3. What techniques can we use to implement change?
4. How do we integrate, develop, & evolve?



## Teamwork Integration Example

### 1. Sentinel Event

**Death of young trauma patient**  
**Unrecognized loss of airway**

### 2. Contributors

**Busy ED, Distractions, Assumptions**  
**Deficient Teamwork & Communication**

### 3. Needed changes

**Recognition, Error Awareness**  
**Airway monitoring, Cross-Monitoring**



## Teamwork Integration Example

1. What do we want to change?

**Prevention of similar “never happen” event**

2. Measure?

**Sentinel events & near-misses in ED**

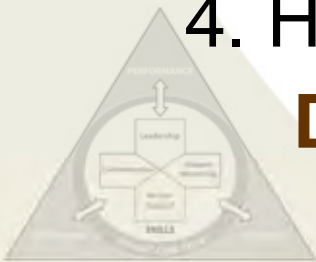
3. Techniques to implement change?

**Huddle, Workload Balancing**

**Cross-monitoring, De-Brief**

4. How do we integrate, develop, & evolve?

**De-Brief Event, Drill Clinical & Team Skills**



## Community ED – Code STEMI

1. What do we want to change?

**“Code STEMI” Protocol Compliance**

2. Measure?

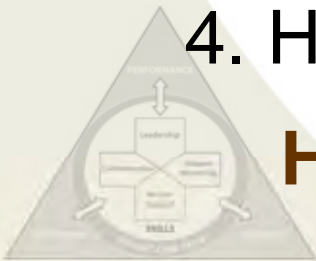
**Activations, Time to Balloon**

3. Technique to implement change?

**Process Mapping, Time Series**

4. How do we integrate, develop, & evolve?

**Huddle, Nurse to Activate**



## Code STEMI Training

### 1. Clinical/Technical Skills

**Critical Times - Arrival/Call, ECG, Activation  
Labs, X-ray, Aspirin**

### 2. Teamwork Skills

**Huddle**

**Cross- Monitoring**

**Sharing the plan**

**Debrief**





## Community ED Example

1. What do we want to change?

**Compliance with “Code STEMI”**

**Huddle, Nurse Activation**

2. Improved – **Activations & Time to Balloon**

3. Integrate, develop, & evolve?

**Drills**

**Parallel Process**

**“Code Stroke” “Code Trauma”**

**“Code Sepsis” (EMS)**



## Teamwork Integration Example - Community Hospital Patient Satisfaction

1. What do we want to change?

**Improve staff & patient satisfaction**

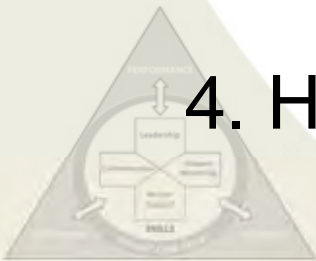
2. Measure?

**Internal & external satisfaction surveys**

3. Technique to implement change?

**Studer Training**

4. How do we integrate, develop, & evolve?



# Studer / Teamwork Training

## 1. Studer Skills

**Rounding, AIDET, Managing-Up**

## 2. Teamwork Skills

**Read-back**

**Cross- Monitoring**

**Sharing the plan**

**Debrief**



## Patient Satisfaction Example

1. What do we want to change?

**Patient & staff satisfaction**

2. Methods –

**Integrated customer-service training**

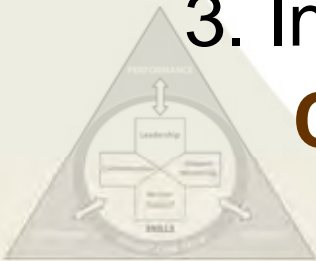
**Patient/family teamwork training**

**Error-Containment, Cross-Monitoring**

**Knowing the Plan, “Voice”**

3. Integrate, develop, & evolve?

**Continuous review-analysis-development**



## HMC Burn Unit Example

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**Miscommunication of instructions**

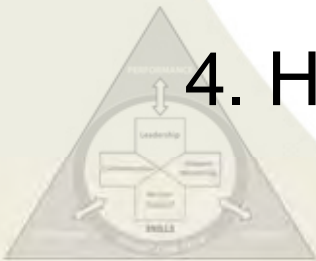
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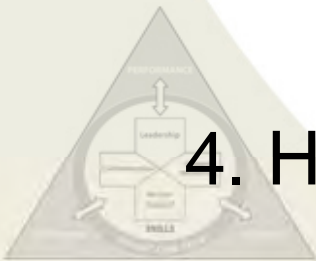
2. Measure?

**Conflict, complaints, case reviews**

3. Technique to implement change?

**Brief, Huddle, De-Brief on rounds**

4. How do we integrate, develop, & evolve?



## HMC ED Example

1. What do we want to change?

**Lack of notification of In-Coming EMS**

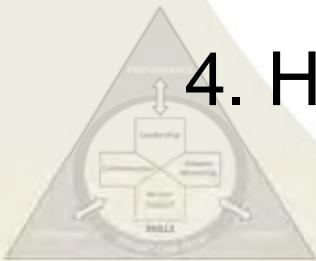
**Lack of Plan Sharing by Trauma Doc**

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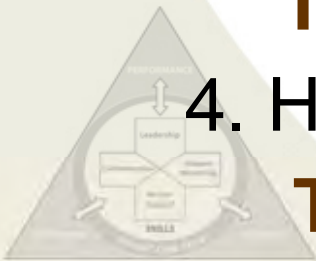
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## HMC ED Example

1. What do we want to change?  
**Call-Out of In-Coming EMS (Trauma & Med)**  
**Sharing of Plan at Bedside (Trauma & Med)**
2. Measure?  
**Charge Nurse Debrief records**
3. Technique to implement change?  
**TeamSTEPPS Course (staff)**  
**TeamSTEPPS Intro (rotating residents)**
4. How do we integrate, develop, & evolve?  
**TeamSTEPPS Course (workshop model)**





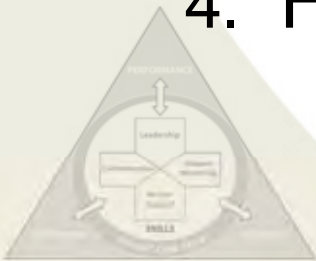
## UW/HMC Example

1. What do we want to change?

**Providers establish behaviors in training**

**Challenging to change behaviors later**

2. Measure? **(Questionnaire)**
3. What techniques can we use to implement change? **(TeamSTEPPS?)**
4. How do we integrate, develop, & evolve?



## UW/HMC Example

1. What do we want to change?

**Open communication (Voice)**

**Provider <-> Nurses, Pharmacists, MHA's**

2. Measure the change? **(Questionnaire)**

3. What techniques?

**TeamSTEPPS Capstone, Orientation**

4. Evolve? **(Student feedback)**

**“Train the attendings!”**



## 100 – 200 – 300 Level Team Skills

### 100 Level

Brief

Call-Out

Check-Back

SBAR

Handoff

### 200 Level

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Sharing the  
Plan

Cross  
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### 300 Level

Debrief

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## Integration & Evolution

1. No longer a separate program
2. Part of “how we do things”

**Problem solving**

**New processes, techniques,  
equipment**

3. Analysis of:

**Clinical/Technical Needs & Skills**

**Teamwork Needs & Skills**

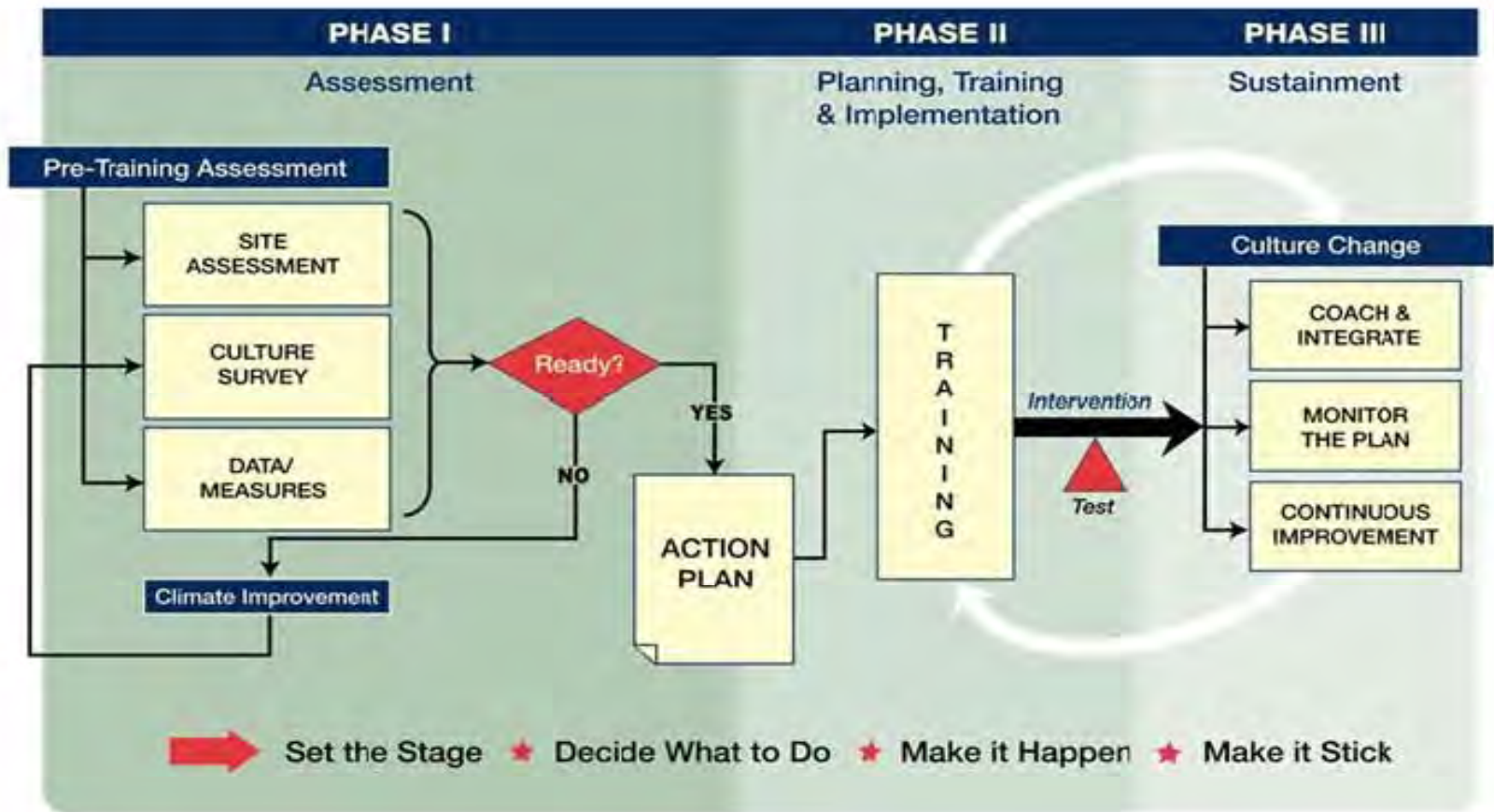


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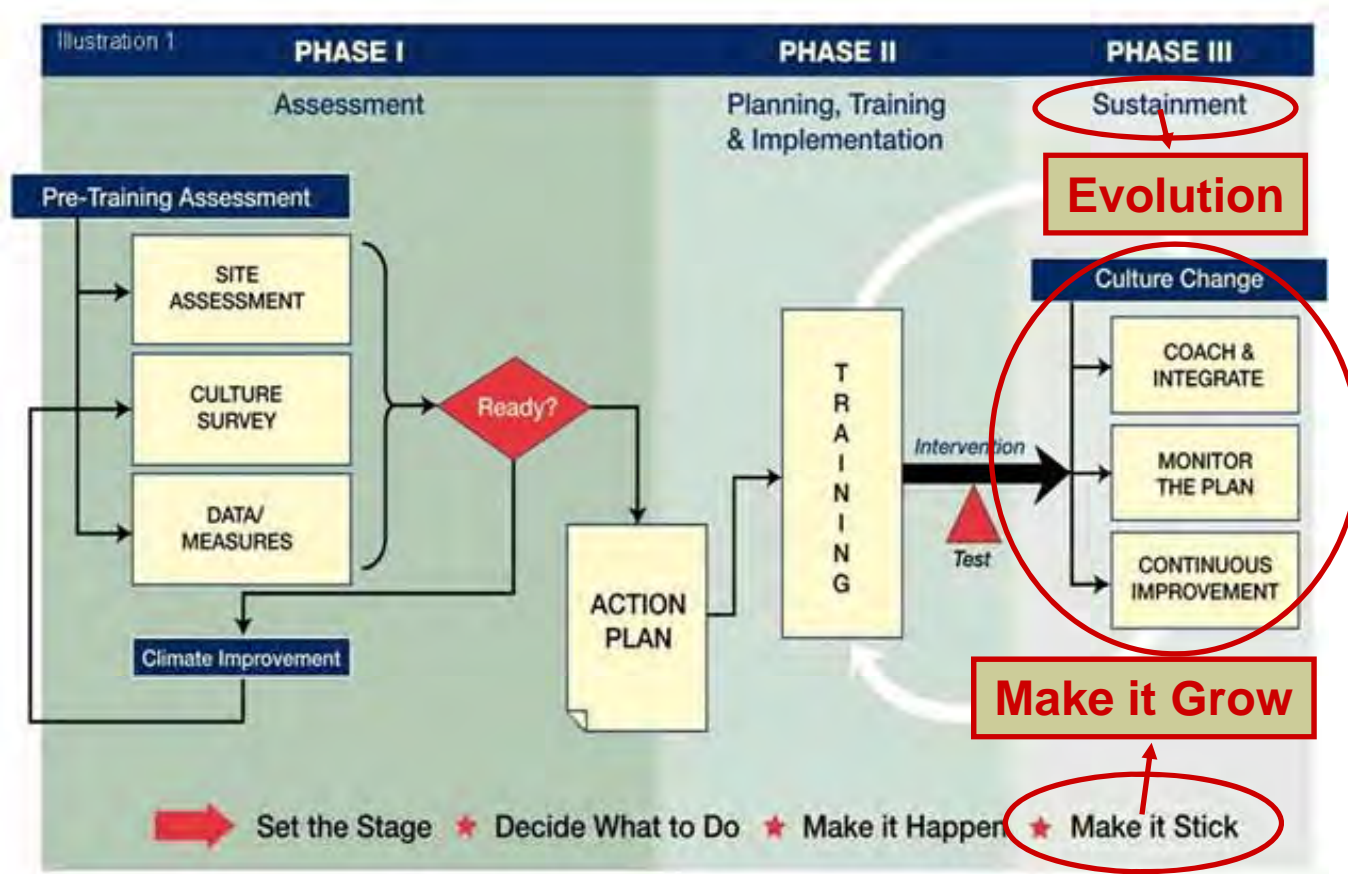
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- What can I do to improve it?



# TeamSTEPPS Change Model



# TeamSTEPPS Phases



## Change Management Models

- **PDSA:** Plan, Do (*TeamSTEPPS*), Study, Act
- **DMAIC:** Define, Measure, Analyze, Improve (*TeamSTEPPS*), Control
- **IHI Model for Improvement:** Forming the Team, Setting Aims, Establishing Measures, Selecting Changes, Testing Changes, Implementing Changes (*TeamSTEPPS*), Spreading Changes
- **CUSP:** Assemble the Team, Engage the Senior Executive, Understand the Science of Safety, Identify Defects through Sensemaking, Implement Teamwork and Communication (*TeamSTEPPS*)
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## TeamSTEPPS Evolution

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- 2.0 Version
- New Modules:
  - Rapid Response
  - Dental
  - Long Term Care
  - Primary Care
  - Limited English Proficiency
  - Use of Simulation



## Review of Methods to Improve Effectiveness of the Health Care Team

- 48 publications (6 1990-2000, 42 2000-2010)
  - 32 Described training methods
  - 8 Described tools
  - 8 Described organizational interventions
- Buljiac-Samardzic M, et al. **Interventions to improve team effectiveness: a systematic review.** *Health Policy.* 2010 Mar; 94(3):183-95.



## EM Teamwork Benefits (CRM)

- Prospective, multicenter evaluation 9 hospitals
- ED staff before & after medical team training
- Trained observers & surveys
  - Error reduction and performance improvement in the emergency department through formal teamwork training: evaluation results of the MedTeams project. Morey JC (2002) *Health Serv Res*, 37(6), 1553-81.



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- Reduced Errors
- Reduced malpractice claims
- Lessons from the cockpit: How team training can reduce errors on L&D. Mann, S (2006) *Contemporary OB/GYN* 1-7.





## Outcome Study OB/GYN

- Cluster-randomized controlled trial
  - 7 intervention & 8 control hospitals
  - 28,536 deliveries analyzed
  - Adverse Outcome Index similar at baseline & after implementation
  - Training did not transfer to a detectable impact in this study
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- **Nielsen PE, et al. Effects of teamwork training on adverse outcomes and process of care in labor and delivery: a randomized controlled trial. *Obstet Gynecol.* 2007 Jan;109(1):48-55.**



## Outcome Study OB/GYN

- Single institution
  - Comprehensive patient safety strategy
  - Team skills (TeamSTEPPS) plus
  - Protocol standardization, patient safety nurse position, patient safety committee, training in fetal heart monitoring interpretation
  - 13,622 deliveries over 36 months
- 
- Pettker et al. Impact of a comprehensive patient safety strategy on obstetric adverse events. *Am J Obstet Gynecol.* 2009 May;200(5):492.e1-8.



## Adverse Outcome Index indicators

**Blood transfusion**

**Maternal death**

**Maternal ICU Admission**

**Maternal return to OR or labor & delivery**

**Uterine rupture**

**Third- or fourth-degree laceration**

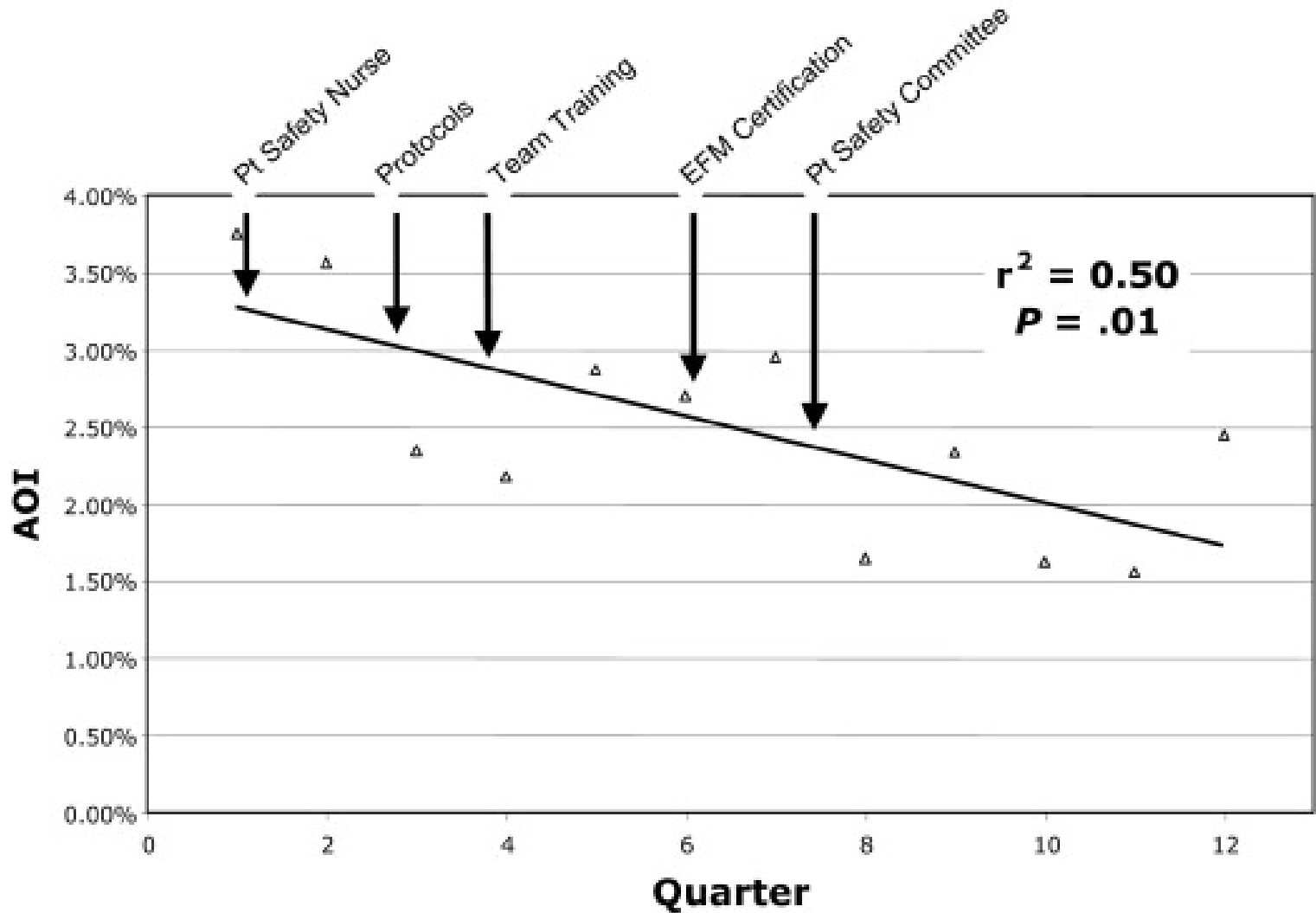
**Apgar score < 7 at 5 min**

**Fetal traumatic birth injury**

**Intrapartum or neonatal death > 2500 g**

**Unexpected admission to neonatal ICU  
> 2500 g and for > 24 h**





Pettker, et al Comp OB safety strategy



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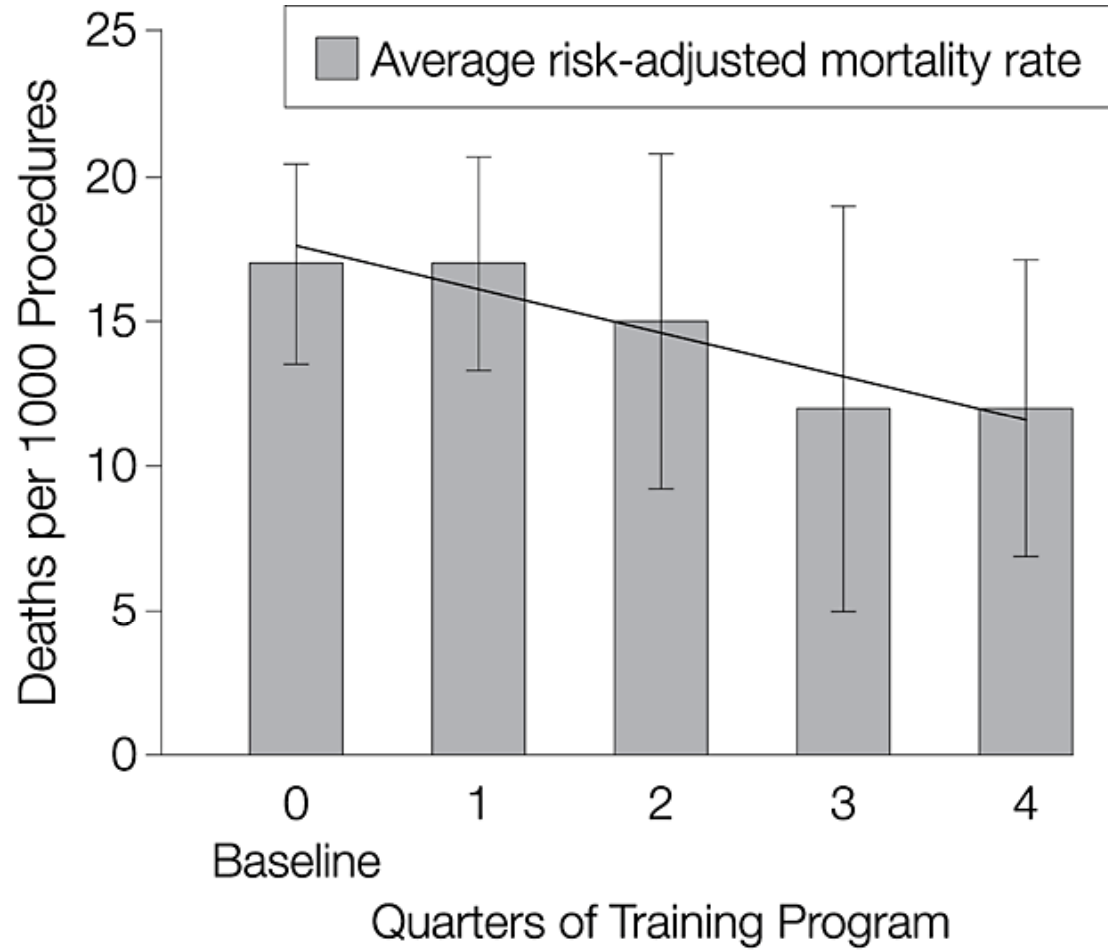
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## VA Surgery Medical Team Training Program

- Briefings & debriefings in the OR
  - Driven by checklists
  - 2006-2008 Data
    - 180 000 procedures, 108 hospitals
- 18% reduction in annual mortality
  - 74 facilities in training program
  - 7% decrease in 34 control facilities
  - Neily J, et al. **Association between implementation of a medical team training program and surgical mortality.** JAMA. 2010 Oct 20;304(15):1693-700.





No. of Facilities    74            16            20            24            14

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