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Supplementary Material

The evaluation of the Plan–Do–Study–Act cycles for a healthcare quality improvement intervention in primary care

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PDSA Sections	PDSA Sub-sections	Practices' Response		
Plan	Goal	To have PenCat4 installed into our Clinic on 2 computers so we can participate in data		
		collection for QUEL Heart Disease		
		Collaborative before the 15th November		
		2019		
	Idea	Liase with both Quel heart disease		
		collaborative staff and our Computer Tech		
		team to have PenCat installed.		
	Measure	PenCat4 will be installed on 2 computers by		
		15th November 2019		
	Plan	What: PenCat installed		
		When: Week starting 11th November - 15th		
		November		
		Prediction: This program will be installed		
		by end of 15th November		
Do		The Pencat tool was downloaded		
		successfully to our Clinic without any		
		issues.		
Study		I have started to explore Pencat and will		
		need to do a collect of data after		
		consultation with Practice Manager when he		
		returns from leave on Monday 18th		
		November.		
Act		I will plan to do a collect of data on Monday		
		18th November and start to review data to		
		plan where which area we need to focus on		
		first.		

Supplementary Material Supplementary Table S1. Practices' response to the PDSA sections

PDSA Section	Methodological Criteria		Score
Plan	Objective	No description	0
		Any description of objective	1
	Predictions of the answers to the questions	No description	0
		Vague description of predictions	1
		Clear description of predictions	2
	Plan to carry out the cycle	No description	0
		Vague description of plan	1
		Clear description of plan	2
Do	Carry out the plan	Plan not carried out	0
		Plan attempted or completed	1
	Documentation of problems or unexpected situations	No documentation	0
		Vague documentation of occurrence or non- occurrence of problems	1
		Clear documentation of occurrence or non-occurrence of problems	2
	Looked at data as part of carrying out plan	No	0
		Yes or Not Applicable	1
Study	Compare data to predictions or plans	Documented observations do not correspond to the predictions or plans	0
		Documented observations correspond to the predictions or plans	1
	Summary of what	No comments	0

Supplementary Table S2. Finalised content quality scoring indicator

	was learned		
		Vague comments to summarise what was learned	1
		Clear comments to summarise and reflect on what was learned	2
Act	Future actions or changes to be made were postulated	No description	0
		Vague description of future actions or changes to be made	1
		Clear description of future actions or actionable changes to be made	2
	Iteration of performed PDSA cycle planned or indicated to be needed	No description	0
		Any description of iteration planned or indicated to be needed	1
Additional Questions	Accuracy	At least two of the criteria of PDSA were reported back under the incorrect section	0
		One of the criteria of PDSA was reported back under the incorrect section	1
		All the criteria of the PDSA were reported back under the correct section	2
	This particular PDSA cycle is an iteration of a previous cycle	No	0
		Yes	1