

Saving Lives through Pediatric Readiness Collaborative

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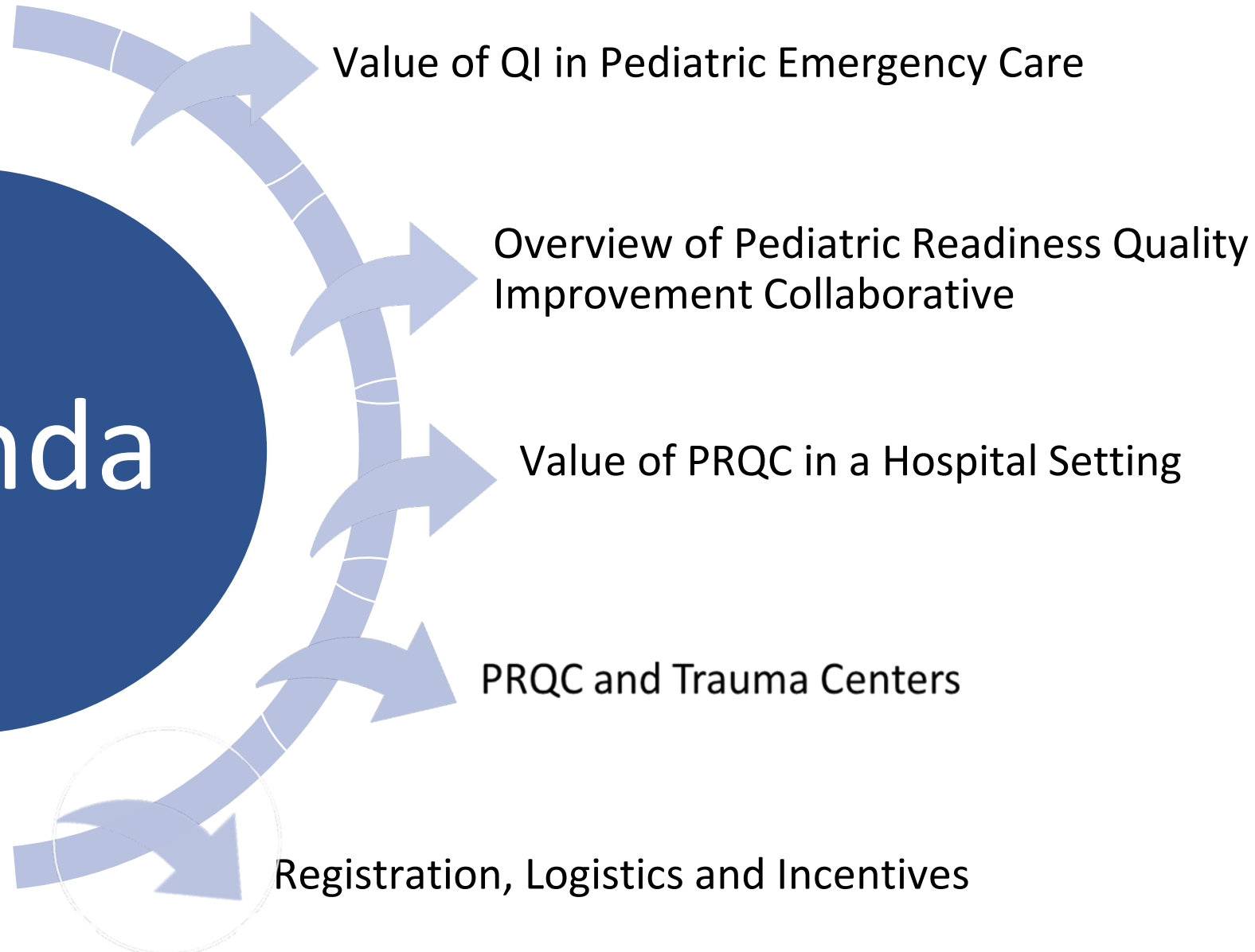


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Agenda



Value of QI in Pediatric Emergency Care

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Right care
Right place
Right time



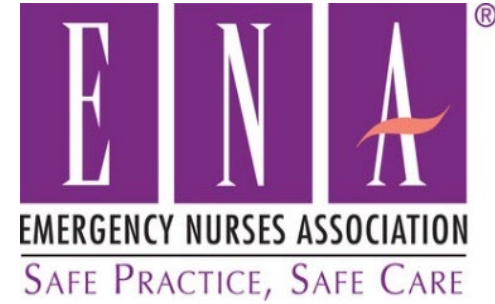
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Where do parents take their children when they have an emergency?

- >80% seek care in their local ED (28 Million)
- Of the local EDs
 - > 90% are general EDs
 - < 10% are pediatric specific/designated peds area
- Of those general EDs >70% see less than 15 children a day

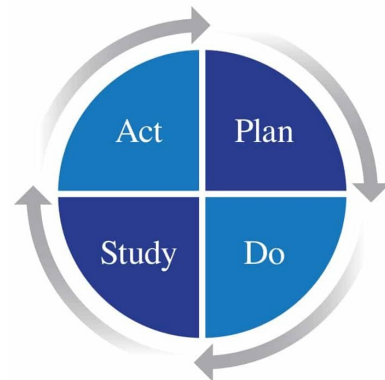


The National Pediatric Readiness Project (NPRP)



Aim: Ensure high quality emergency care for all children

- Phase 1: 2013 national self-assessment
- Phase 2: QI efforts (www.pediatricreadiness.org)
- Phase 3: 2021 national re-assessment



National Assessment of Pediatric Readiness of Emergency Departments: Impact of QI Efforts

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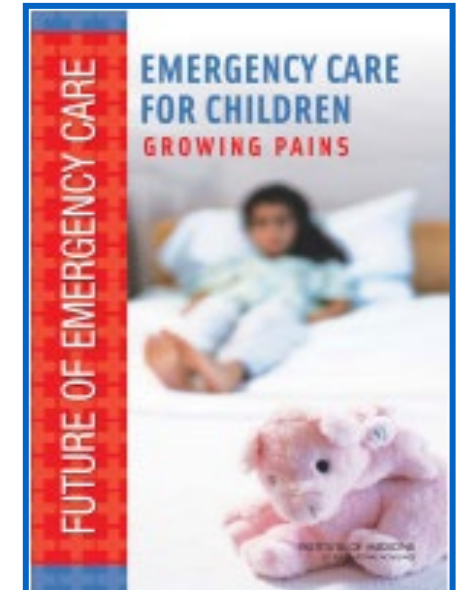
Institute of Medicine Call to Action

- “EDs and EMS agencies should appoint a pediatric emergency care coordinator (PECC)”

	No PECC	Nurse PECC only	Physician PECC only	Both PECCs	P-value
All Hospitals	66.5 [IQR 56.0,76.9]	69.7 [IQR 58.9, 80.9]	75.3 [IQR 64.4, 85.6]	82.2 [IQR 69.7,92.5]	<.0001

Physician PECC - 48% of EDs

Nurse PECC – 59% of EDs



Peds IV starts in the ED

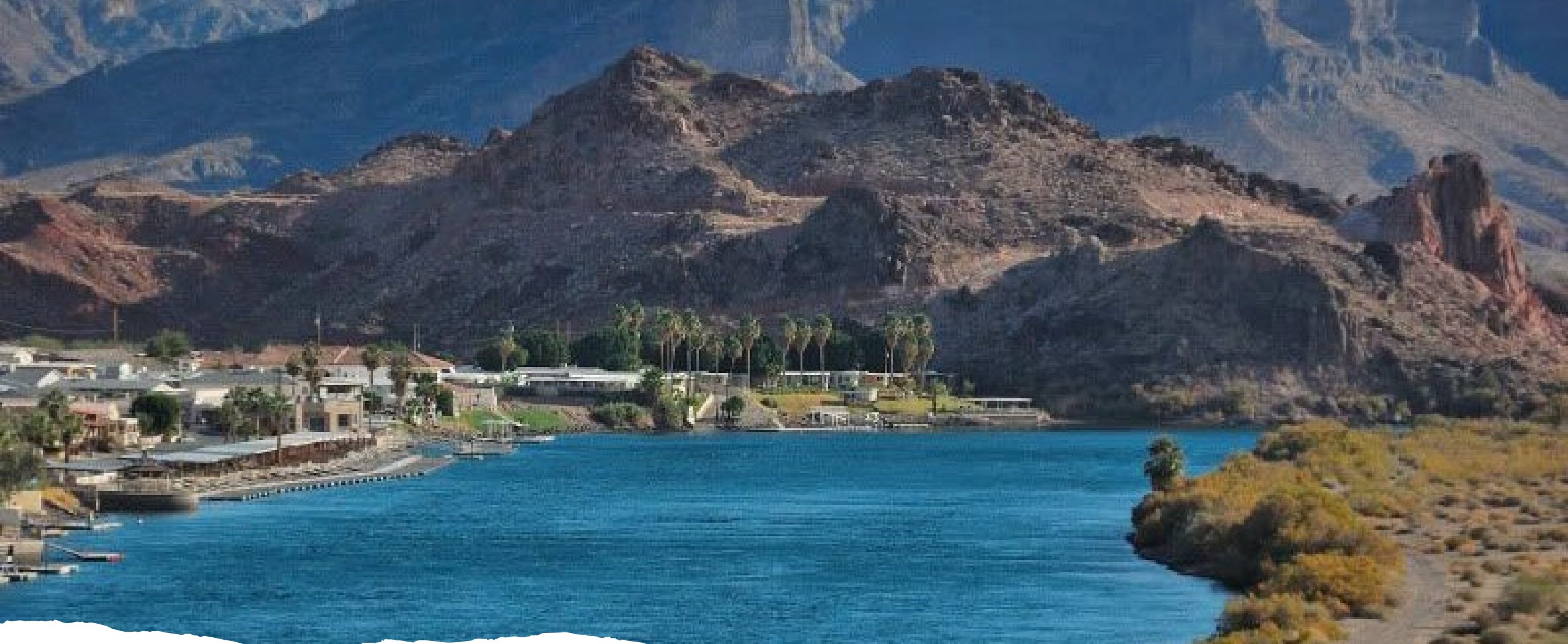
- Collect data (how big is/isn't the problem)
- Compare to national benchmarks/studies
- Distribute findings
- Improvements to process
- Educate
- Reaudit to measure progress

Pediatric Sepsis

- 10-year-old male with sepsis
- Missed by providers and nurses at beginning of visit
- Reviewed charts
- Reviewed best practice
- Distributed findings
- Educated and implemented new protocols
- Reaudit charts until met benchmark.



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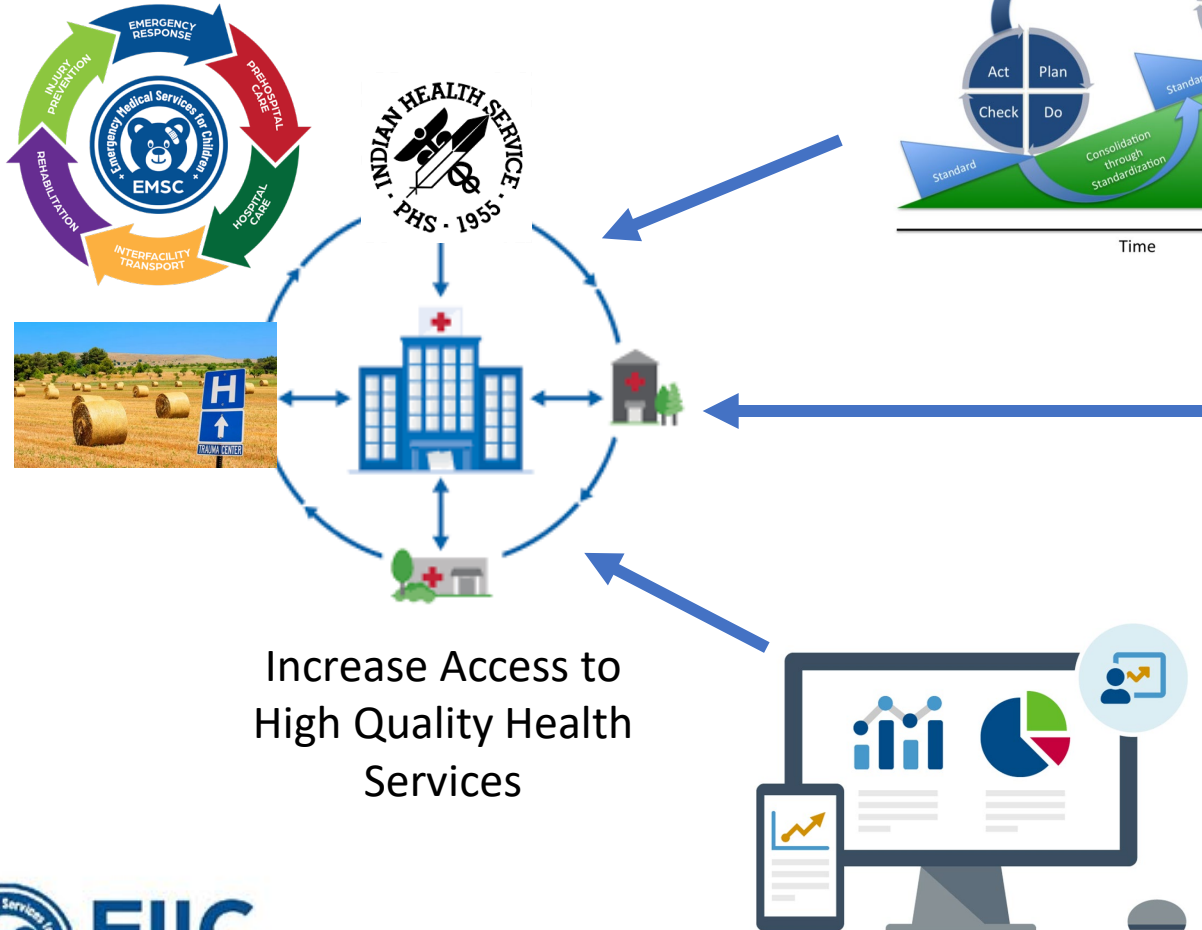
Small changes over time can make a big difference.



Overview of the Pediatric Readiness Quality Improvement Collaborative (PRQC)

Robin Goodman, MSN, RN, CPEN

EIIC Efforts to Improve Pediatric Emergency Care



Increase Access to High Quality Health Services

Knowledge Management

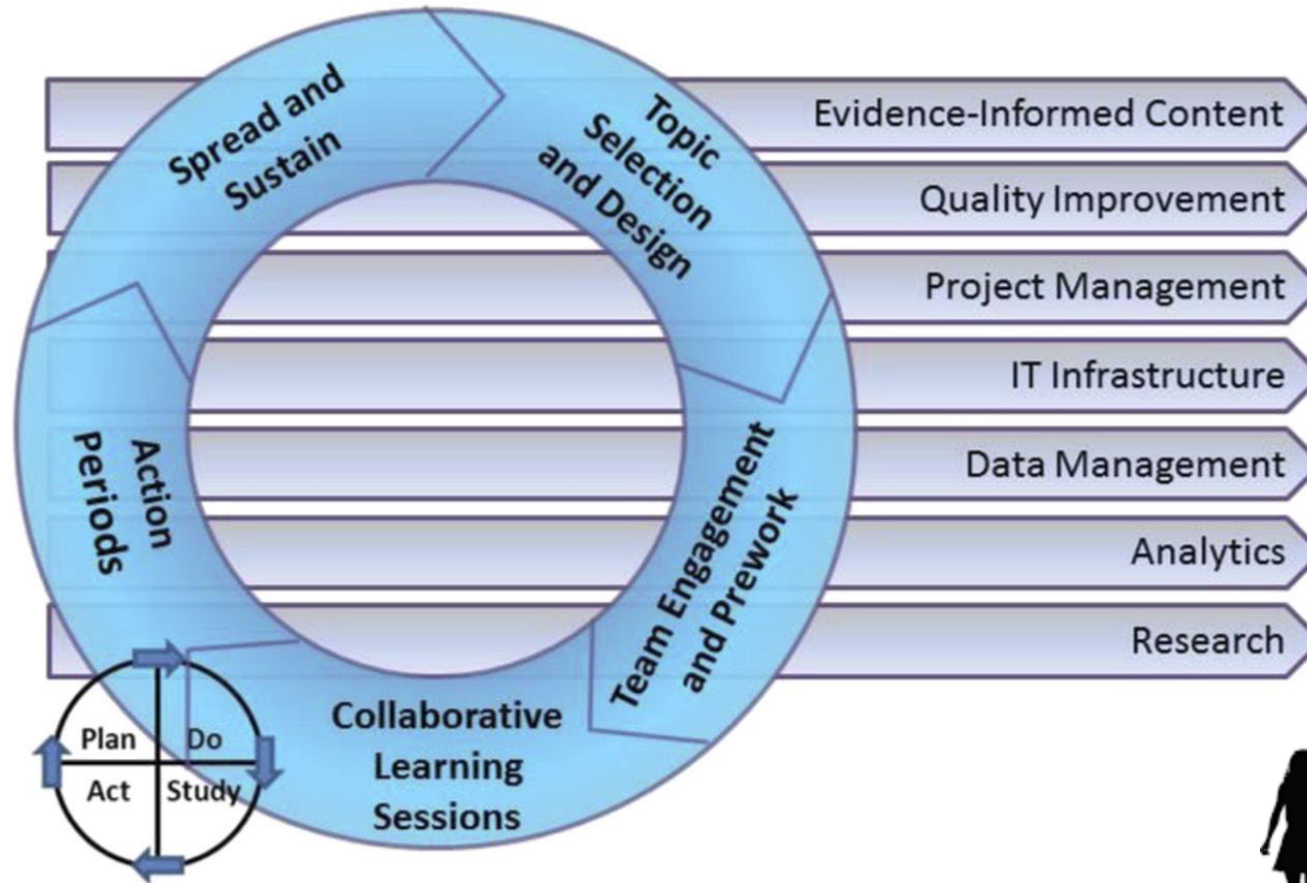
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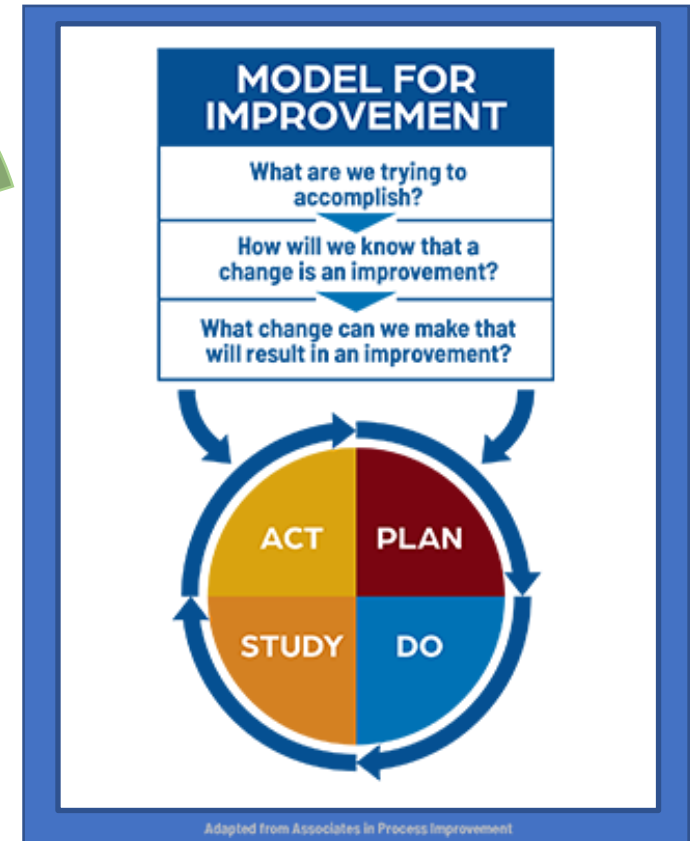
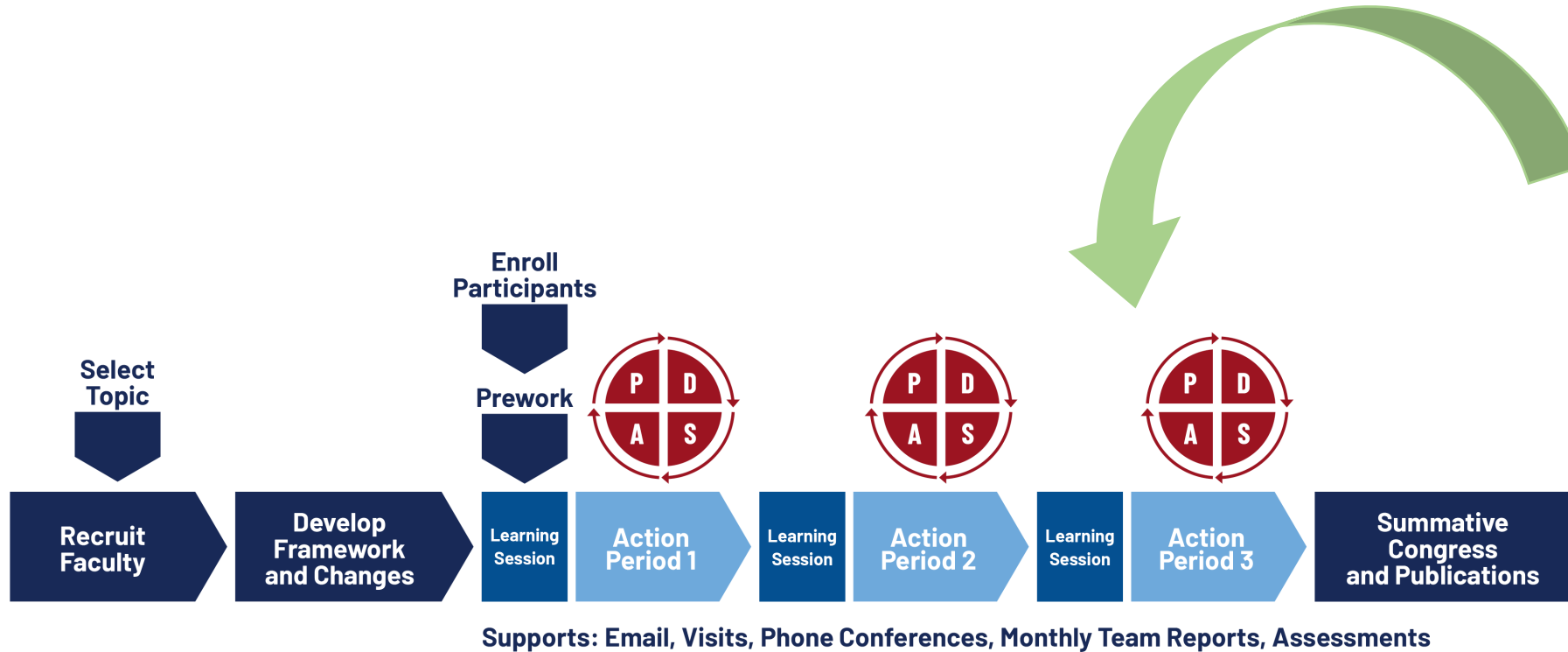
Quality Improvement Collaboratives



Partnership across institutions
Incentives to engagement



Institute for Healthcare Improvement's Breakthrough Series Model



PRQC Global Aim:

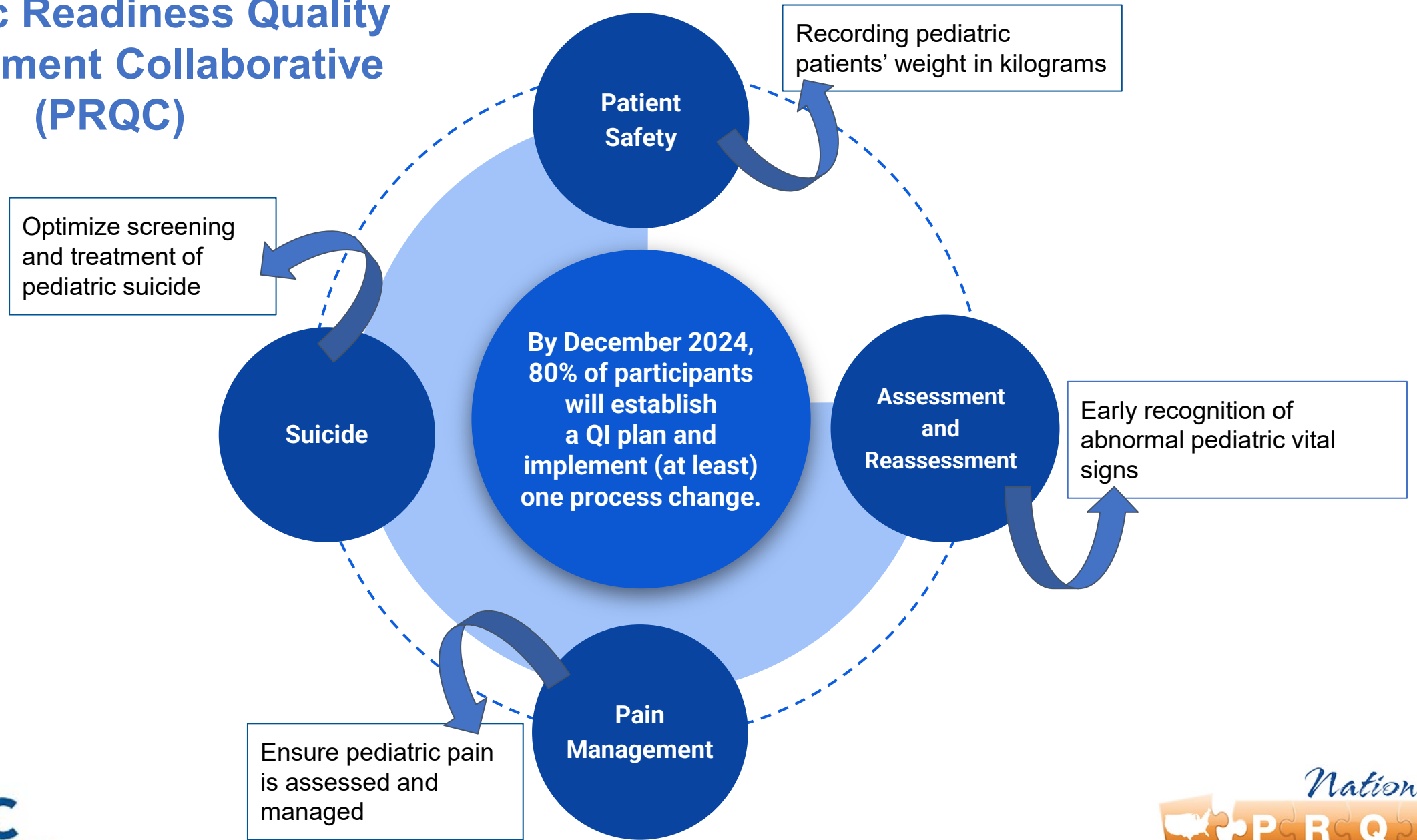
Support pediatric champions to implement local pediatric quality improvement efforts.

- Coaching by experts in pediatric emergency care (pain, suicide, patient safety)
- Coaching by QI experts
- Networking opportunities
- Drive best evidence into practice

- Resources, tools, & best practices
- Shared learning
- Environmental scan to help prioritize areas of focus
- CAPCE/CNE/MOC Part 4 credit for all participants at no cost



Pediatric Readiness Quality Improvement Collaborative (PRQC)



PRQC

Phases of Clinical Emergency Care Processes

Triage

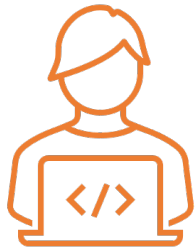
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Interventions

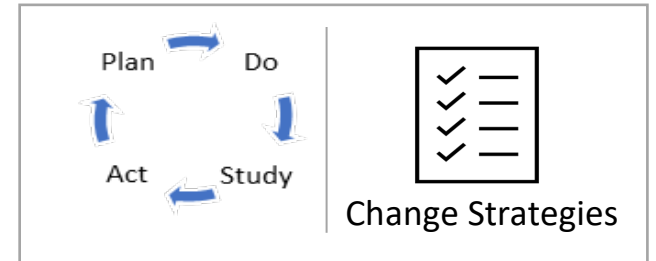
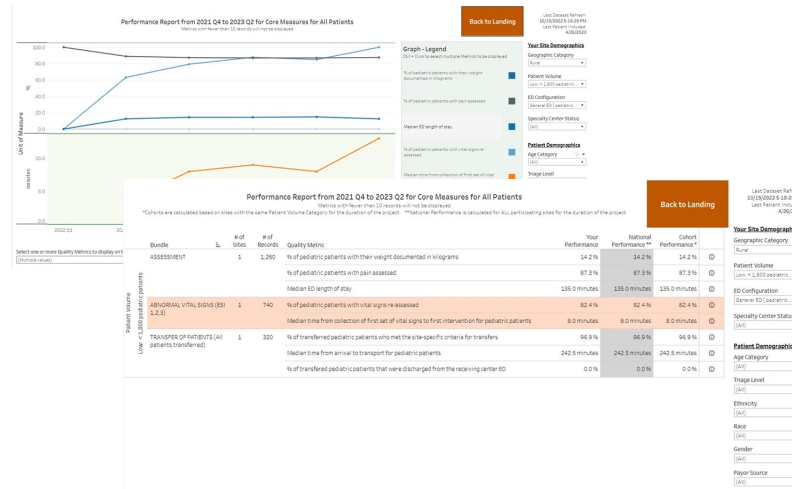
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PRQC Activities



Data Entered from Pediatric Encounters



Improvement Efforts



Performance Report from 2021 Q4 to 2023 Q2 for Core Measures for All Patients

Metrics with fewer than 10 records will not be displayed

*Cohorts are calculated based on sites with the same Patient Volume Category for the duration of the project **National Performance is calculated for ALL participating sites for the duration of the project

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4/26/2023

Patient Volume	Bundle	# of Sites	# of Records	Quality Metric	Your Performance	National Performance **	Cohort Performance *	
Low: < 1,800 pediatric patients	ASSESSMENT	1	1,260	% of pediatric patients with their weight documented in kilograms	14.2 %	14.2 %	14.2 %	ⓘ
				% of pediatric patients with pain assessed	87.3 %	87.3 %	87.3 %	ⓘ
				Median ED length of stay	135.0 minutes	135.0 minutes	135.0 minutes	ⓘ
	ABNORMAL VITAL SIGNS (ESI 1,2,3)	1	740	% of pediatric patients with vital signs re-assessed	82.4 %	82.4 %	82.4 %	ⓘ
				Median time from collection of first set of vital signs to first intervention for pediatric patients	8.0 minutes	8.0 minutes	8.0 minutes	ⓘ
	TRANSFER OF PATIENTS (All patients transferred)	1	320	% of transferred pediatric patients who met the site-specific criteria for transfers	96.9 %	96.9 %	96.9 %	ⓘ
				Median time from arrival to transport for pediatric patients	242.5 minutes	242.5 minutes	242.5 minutes	ⓘ
				% of transferred pediatric patients that were discharged from the receiving center ED	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	ⓘ

Your Site Demographics

Geographic Category

Rural

Patient Volume

Low: < 1,800 pediatric ...

ED Configuration

General ED (pediatric ...

Specialty Center Status

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Patient Demographics

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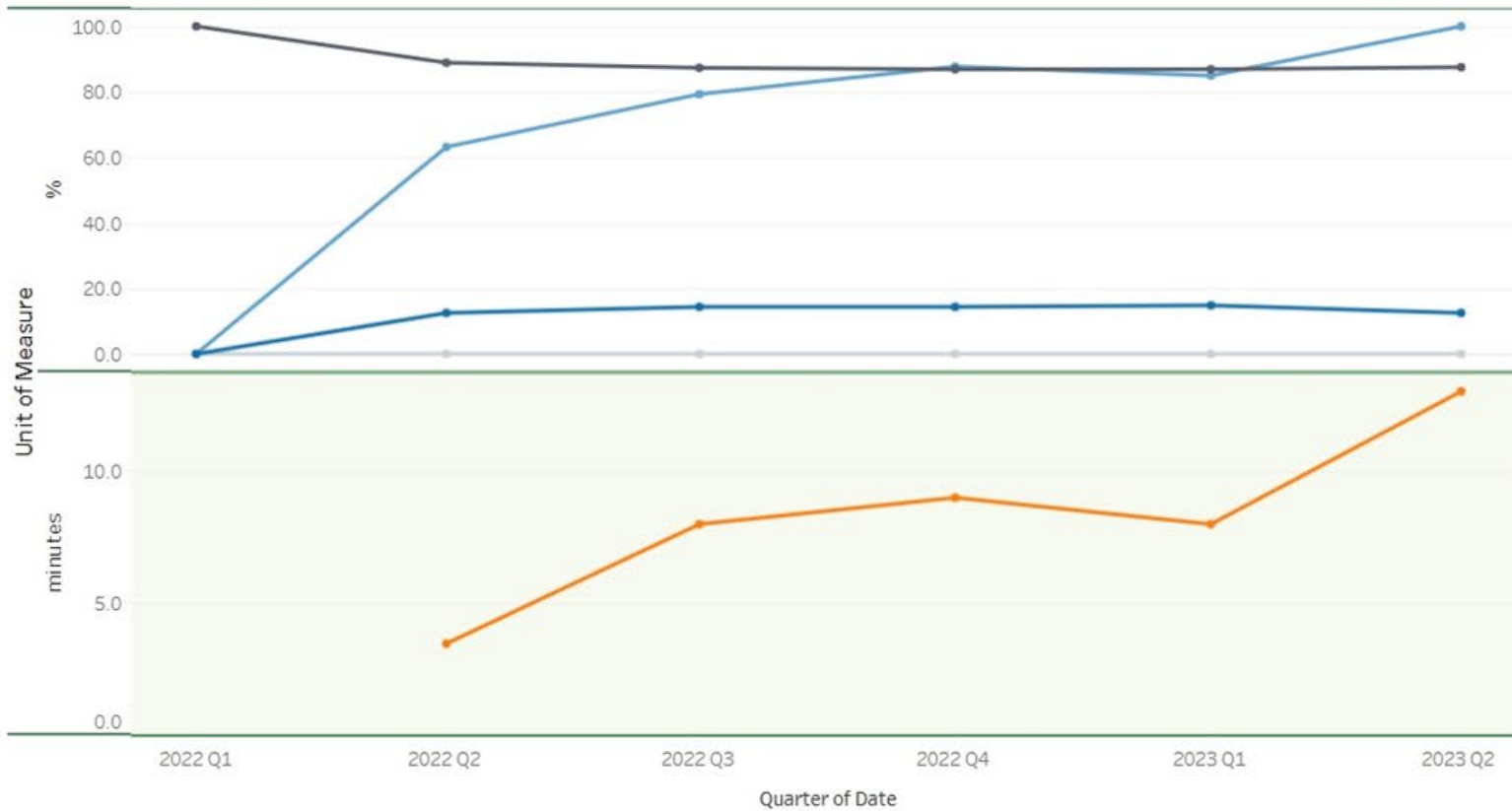
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Select one or more Quality Metrics to display on the Graph

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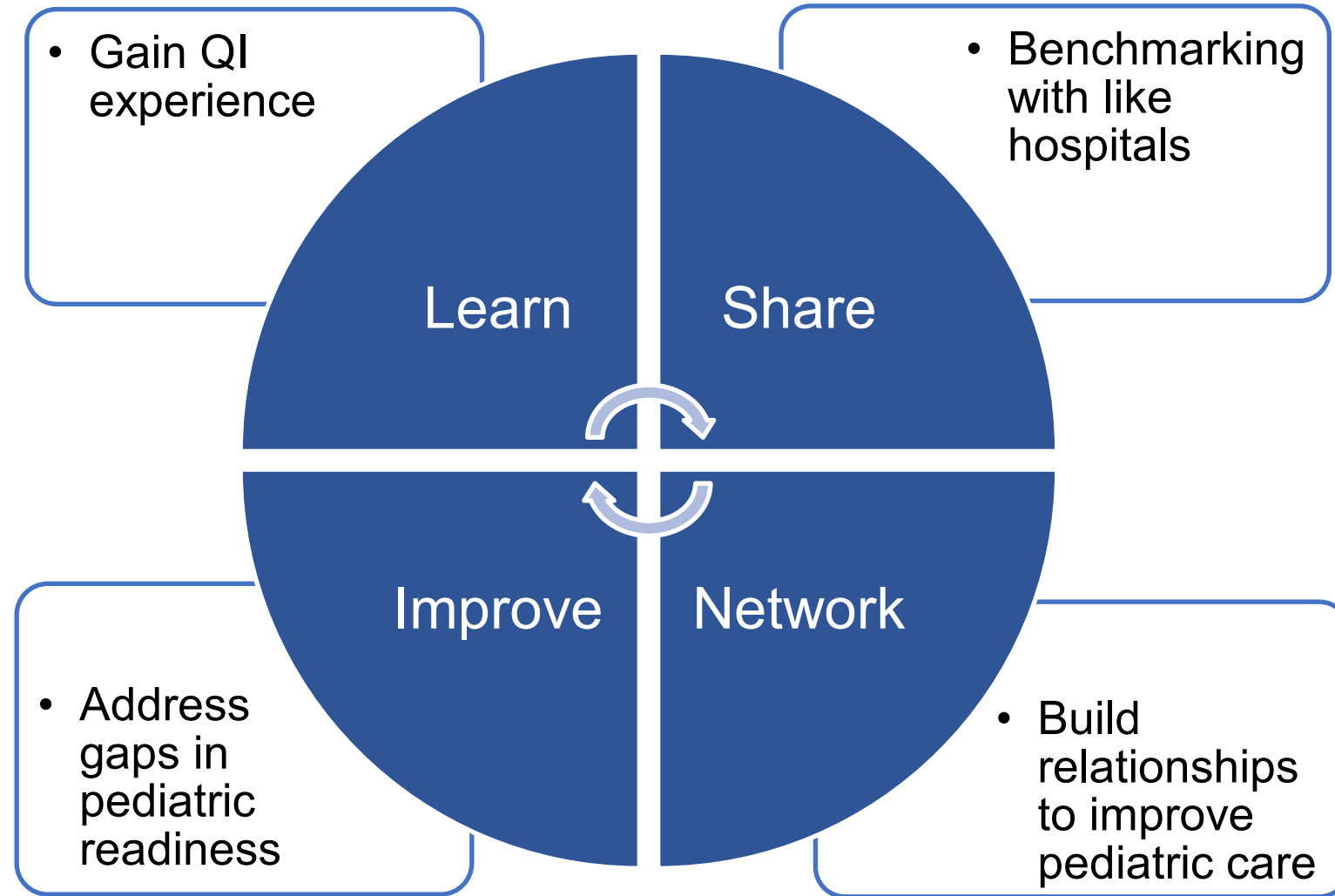
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Why Join PRQC?



PRQC Experience

Timothy W. Staed, MD FAAP



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Top Barriers to Pediatric Readiness

- Lack of educational resources
- Cost of training personnel
- Lack of a QI plan for children



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Why Join PRQC?

- Improve pediatric care and outcomes in your emergency department
- Connects you with community partners to improve pediatric care in your area – “rising tides lift all ships” (Community hospitals, EMS agencies, school districts)
- Connect with national leaders in pediatric emergency care and disaster preparedness
- Help close the gap in equitable access to health care for ALL children across the nation
- Involvement in future projects: PRQC 2, MO EMSC PFRP, PPN



Team #2

LifesavERsTeam

SSM Health Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital St Louis Missouri

Timothy Staed, MD Physician Champion EMSC PRQC

Mary Bixby, RN Nurse Champion EMSC PRQC

Terry Cuellar, RN Nurse Champion EMSC PRQC



LifesavERsTeam

- 10 Affiliate Sites

1. St. Louis University

2. St. Mary's Richmond Hts

3. St. Clare

4. DePaul

5. St. Joseph St. Charles

6. St. Joseph Lake St. Louis

7. St. Joseph Wentzville

8. Anderson

9. St. Elizabeth's O'Fallon Ill

10. Heartland

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LifesavERsTeam



• **University Hospitals**

1.	St. Louis University	800/yr	Weight in Kilograms	Abnormal Vital Signs
2.	St. Mary's	800/yr	Weight in Kilograms	
3.	Cardinal Glennon	60K/yr		Disaster Preparedness

Community Hospitals

1.	DePaul	8K/yr		Abnormal Vital Signs	
2.	St. Clare	7K/yr		Abnormal Vital Signs (Emphasis on Respiratory)	
3.	St. Joseph St. Charles	5K/yr		Abnormal Vital Signs	Disaster Preparedness
4.	St. Joseph Lake St. Louis	10K/yr		Abnormal Vital Signs	Disaster Preparedness
5.	Anderson	10K/yr		Abnormal Vital Signs	
6.	St. Elizabeth's	6K/yr		Abnormal Vital Signs	
7.	Heartland	8K/yr	Weight in Kilograms	Interfacility Transfers	Disaster Preparedness

Stand Alone

1.	St. Joseph Wentzville	2K/yr	Weight in Kilograms
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•	Total =	120K/yr	
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Celebrate the victories

1. Each hospital has its own victories - this takes LOTS of hard work by people who do not necessarily have extra time for more hard work.
2. Celebrate the victories – because each one is a win for pediatric patients across the country

This is a marathon – and a sprint

1. Sprint to the end of each goal – finish each ASAP (DUA's, PDSA cycles, Change strategies, etc.)
2. Keep in mind the BIG picture – long-term goals and agendas of each group



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SSM Health St. Joseph Lake St. Louis

It takes a Team

1. Involve as many people as you can on your team
2. Not everyone is available all the time – so encourage many people to participate
3. More participants = more buy-in from the hospital



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REPORT to Administrators

1. Tell the people who are NOT part of the project what progress you are making
2. They will more likely support changes you want to make



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Celebrate victories and say Thank You

1. Each step forward is a victory that takes hard work and someone's time
2. Participants are giving up their most valuable resource – their TIME. And not necessarily being reimbursed. Tell them how much you appreciate their contribution.



Value of PRQC in the Hospital Setting

Christine Aspiotes, DO, MS

Affiliation

Gives your hospital the ability to provide each pediatric emergency patient in your ED with the:

right care...

delivered by the right staff...

in the right place...

at the right time.

Mission

- Establish a collaborative network of hospitals to provide quality pediatric emergency care for *ALL* children in the region through a combination of:
 - Outreach
 - Oversight
 - Direct service delivery

Why?

- Research shows that critically ill children may have worse health outcomes if their local hospital is poorly equipped to respond to pediatric emergencies
- Aligns with national movement to improve pediatric readiness
 - American College of Emergency Physicians (ACEP)
 - American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP)
 - Emergency Nurses Association (ENA)

Standardization

- Protocols/Pathways
- Crash Carts
 - Mirror peds to adult carts
 - Color-code



Standardization

- Weight in kg
- Pain/Fever package
 - Syringe
 - Dosing chart
 - Basic instructions





Conclusion

- Utilize EMSC and PRQC 2.0 as your “affiliate”
- Reach out to regional hospitals to explore opportunities!



PRQC and Trauma Centers

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Access to Trauma Centers for Injured Children

Pediatric Trauma Center

57% of Children within 30 miles
100% coverage only in Northeast

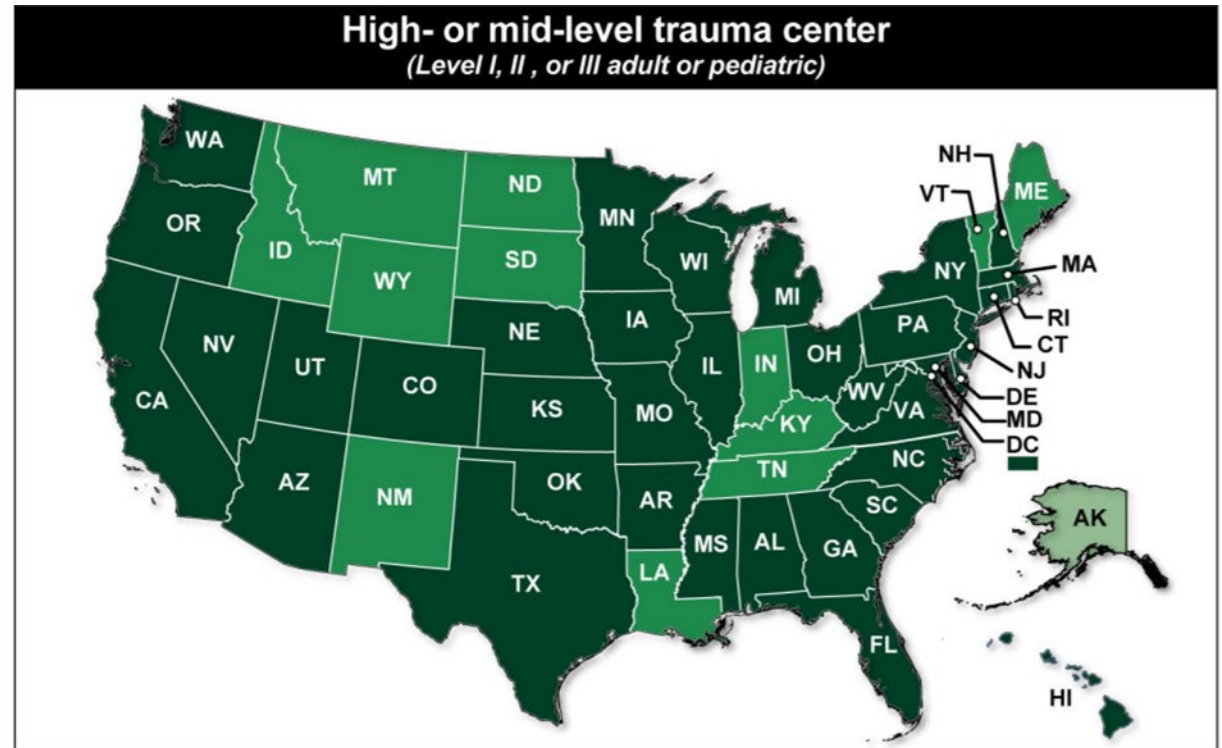
Any L1-L3 Trauma Center

88% of Children within 30 miles
100% coverage in 37 states



United States Government Accountability Office

Report to Congressional Requesters



Percentage of state's children who lived within 30 miles of a trauma center



Pediatric Readiness Matters...

832 EDs/ 372,000 Kids:

- Analyzed outcomes by Peds Readiness Score of INITIAL RECEIVING HOSPITAL
- Risk-adjusted mortality 58% lower for kids treated at EDs with highest Peds Readiness Scores.
- “If all children cared for in the lowest-readiness quartiles were treated in an ED in the highest quartile of readiness, an additional 126 lives might be saved each year in these trauma centers”.

JAMA Pediatrics | Original Investigation

Evaluation of Emergency Department Pediatric Readiness and Outcomes Among US Trauma Centers

Craig D. Newgard, MD, MPH; Amber Lin, MS; Lenora M. Olson, PhD; Jennifer N. B. Cook, GCPH; Marianne Gausche-Hill, MD; Nathan Kuppermann, MD, MPH; Jeremy D. Goldhaber-Fiebert, PhD; Susan Malveau, MS; McKenna Smith, BS; Mengtao Dai, MS; Avery B. Nathens, MD, PhD; Nina E. Glass, MD; Peter C. Jenkins, MD, MSc; K. John McConnell, PhD; Katherine E. Remick, MD; Hilary Hewes, MD; N. Clay Mann, PhD, MS; for the Pediatric Readiness Study Group

Variable	OR (95% CI)	In-hospital mortality	P value
All patients (n = 372 004)			
4th Quartile	0.58 (0.45-0.75)		<.001
3rd Quartile	0.90 (0.70-1.17)		.44
2nd Quartile	1.16 (0.87-1.54)		.32
ISS ≥16 (n = 50 440)			
4th Quartile	0.61 (0.49-0.76)		<.001
3rd Quartile	0.90 (0.72-1.12)		.34
2nd Quartile	1.11 (0.87-1.43)		.39
Head AIS ≥3 (n = 57 368)			
4th Quartile	0.56 (0.44-0.71)		<.001
3rd Quartile	0.86 (0.68-1.10)		.24
2nd Quartile	1.03 (0.78-1.36)		.82
Any AIS ≥3 (n = 124 507)			
4th Quartile	0.57 (0.45-0.71)		<.001
3rd Quartile	0.88 (0.70-1.11)		.30
2nd Quartile	1.05 (0.80-1.37)		.44

Raising the bar for pediatric trauma care

Published November 23, 2021

Pediatric readiness assessment to be required for trauma center verification

For immediate release

Contact: km@emscimprovement.center

(NOV. 23, Austin, Texas) More children die of injury each year than from all other causes combined. But only 57% of children across the United States have feasible access to a pediatric trauma center—even though kids, because of their unique anatomies and physiologies, require specialized care.



40-45% of all hospitals are trauma centers

Collaboration in Trauma Centers to Care for Injured Children

- Working on a shared vision for the care of children in the Emergency Department
- Utilize the infrastructure of the trauma program and the expertise of the TPM to include the PECC and pediatric readiness initiatives in the Emergency Department (PIPS process, Operations Meeting, etc.)



Registration and Logistics

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Registration

- Registration is open now through June 6th!
- <https://redcap.dellmed.utexas.edu/surveys/?s=CywaerLEFJHA X73D>
- Who can register?
 - ED professional who is willing to serve as team leader or point of contact
 - Only one person from each facility should register
 - Once you register, you will receive a welcome email with details on identifying team participants
 - Multidisciplinary teams should include two or more participants
- <https://emscimprovement.center/collaboratives/prqc/2023/>



Fireside Chats

- Interactive presentations by multidisciplinary experts on bundle topics
 - Intro to QI
 - Pain Management
 - Weight in Kilograms
 - Assessment and Reassessment (Abnormal Vital Signs)
 - Suicide
 - Data Sampling
 - Data Literacy

- **Orange** – Upcoming Webinars
- **Green** – Learning Sessions
 - June 6th and June 20th are session orientations (choose one)
- **Blue** – Fireside Chats

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Resources

Pediatric Education and Advocacy Kits (PEAKs)

QI Implementation and Data User Guide

Intervention Bundle Guides

Fireside Chats and Collaborative Learning Sessions

NPRQI Platform and Dashboard



C-suite Letter of Commitment - Optional



Template for adoption (optional)



Identifies team leads



Expresses commitment to QI activities



Expresses site commitment regardless of staff turnover

Incentives and Support

C-suite (Hospital Leadership) Letter of Commitment - Optional

Maintenance of Certification Part 4 Credit

Continuing Education Credit

All Teach All Learn Approach - Opportunities to Learn from Regional Teams

Develop Regional and National Partnerships

NPRQI and its Related Resources

Improve Pediatric Emergency Care

Webpage Materials

Continuing Education Credit

- For physicians, nurses, and social work professionals
- Attend the Learning Sessions
- Complete Environmental Scan
- Complete Evaluations
- QI Project and Attestation Form Required for MOC Part 4 Credit



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Upcoming Promotional Webinars

Saving Lives in Rural America through Pediatric Readiness Collaboratives

Hosted by NRHA

May 9, 2023, 2:00pm – 3:00pm CT

https://ruralhealth-us.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_rm6YxIJMRIG6mFFfG_CbnQ#/registration



Pediatric Readiness Quality Improvement Collaborative (PRQC) A value proposition for optimizing pediatric emergency care Informational Webinar

Hosted by ACEP

May 23, 2023, 2:00pm – 3:00pm CT

Registration Coming Soon!

Encourage your colleagues to join the collaborative and learn more!



Thank You!



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