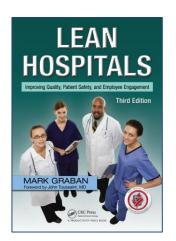
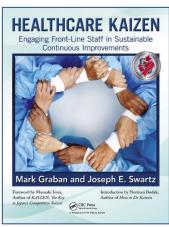
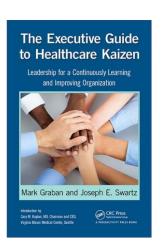
# From the Boardroom to the Patient Room: Alignment through Lean Management Systems









## What is Lean?

## Why Lean?



Start from need.



What problem are we trying to solve?

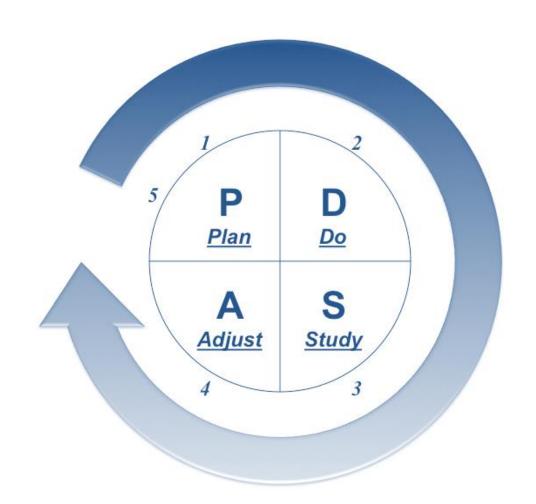
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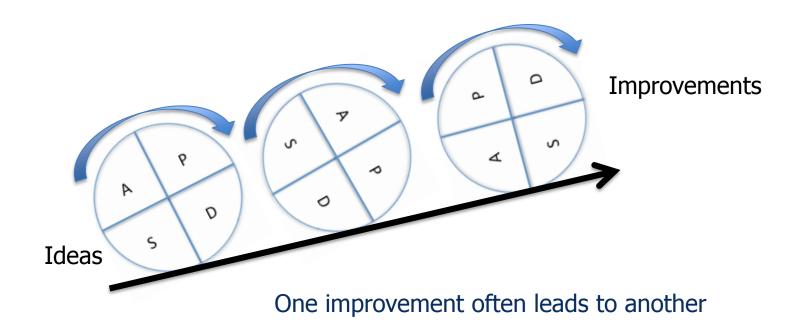




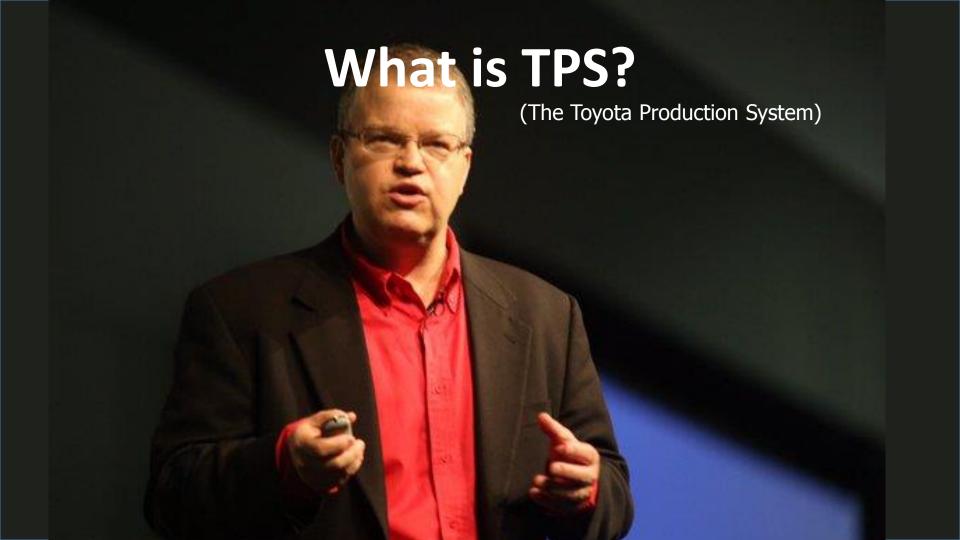
#### **Management System Philosophy** Culture Thinking **Mindsets**



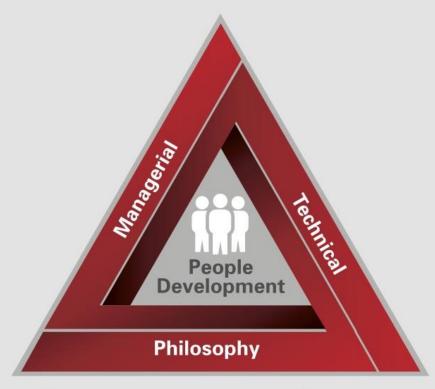
#### **Iterative PDSA Improvements**



Source: Healthcare Kaizen



#### **TOYOTA PRODUCTION SYSTEM**



#### **Organizational Culture**

An Integrated System

#### What is TPS Philosophy?

#### Customer first

- Provide customers with what they want, when they want it,
   and in the amount they want it
- People are the most valuable resource
  - Deeply respect, engage, and develop people
- Continuous improvement (kaizen)
  - Engage everyone each and every day
- Shop floor (gemba) focus
  - Go to where the work is done to find & solve problems

#### What's a Management System?

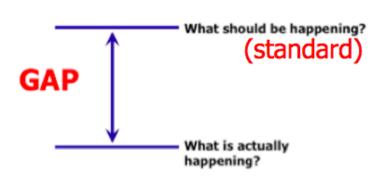
- What are leaders expected to do?
- How are leaders expected TO BE?
  - Is there clear alignment? Are there gaps?
  - Or "just get results"???

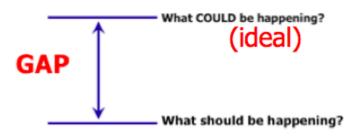
- How is this taught, modeled, and reinforced?
  - What happens when there are gaps?

### Why a Lean Management System?

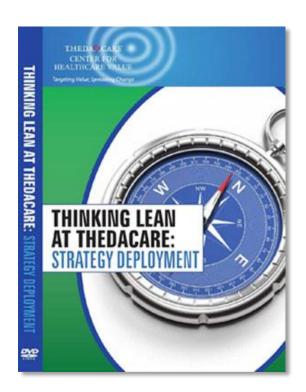
#### **Creating a Lean Culture**

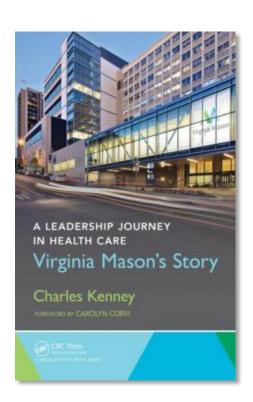
- What are the gaps? How large are they?
- How long to close the gaps?
  - In culture & performance?



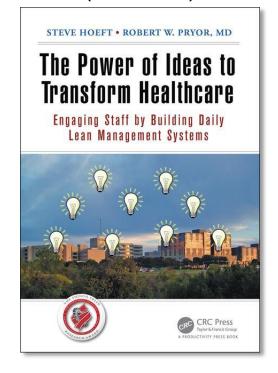


#### **Strategy Deployment in Healthcare**

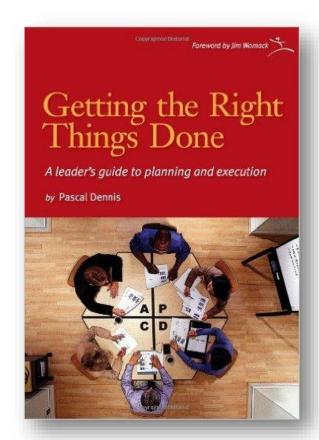


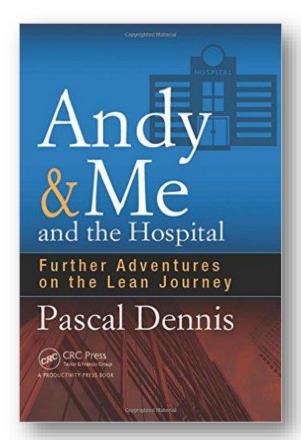


(Scott & White)



#### **Pascal Dennis Books**



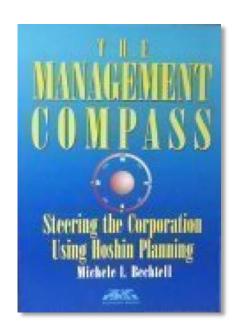


#### What is Strategy Deployment?

- Aka "Hoshin Kanri"
  - Hoshin = "compass"
  - Kanri = "management" or "control"
- "A process for embedding strategy and aligning an organization toward common goals"
- Developed by Dr. Yoji Akao
  - (Yokogawa Hewlett-Packard)

#### **Strategy Deployment Process**

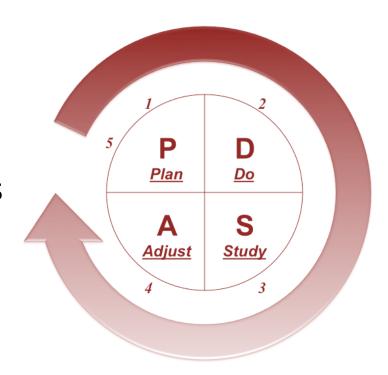
- 1. Study the situation
- 2. Focus on vital few priorities
- 3. Ask employees to develop plans for how to close gaps
- 4. Specify means and measures to close gaps
  - Link metrics through the organization
- 5. Make cause and effect relationships visible
- 6. Iteratively zero in on strategic objectives (PDSA)



Source: The Management Compass, Bechtell

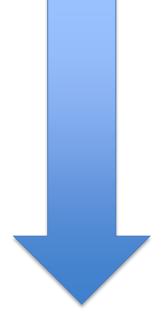
#### **Strategy Deployment = PDSA**

- Using PDSA cycles to:
  - Create goals
  - Choose measurement points
  - Link daily activities to high level goals
  - Drive results & learning



#### **NOT "Goal Deployment"**

- Management by Objectives
  - Top down (unidirectional)
  - Focuses on rear-view mirror results
  - Little effort to understand or improve the system
  - Often used as threat to improve performance (or else!)
  - Often unlinked (department budgets not tied to overall plan)



#### "Catch Ball"

- Executive/Senior Leaders
- VPs and Directors
- First-Level Managers
- Frontline Supervisors
- · Charge/Senior Staff and Clinicians
- Value-Adding Staff and Clinicians

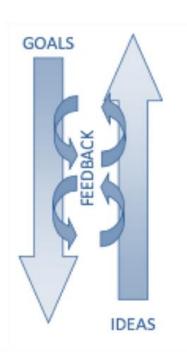


Figure 11.1 Illustration of how goals and ideas flow up and down in a Lean organization.

Source: Lean Hospitals, Graban

#### The Role of Leaders

- Define purpose clearly
- Identify the biggest obstacles
- Create an atmosphere conducive to initiative and creativity
- Reduce hassle
- Lead by example! Model behaviors. Teach

#### "True North"

- Broad goals and direction
  - Brief expression of direction,
     purpose, commitment, and values



- "What we should do, not what we can do"
- Speaks to the heart

#### "True North" Statements

- "No wait, no harm."
- "Eliminate all unnecessary death or illness."
- "Measurably better value."
- "To provide high-quality healthcare to all, regardless of their ability to pay."
- "\_\_\_\_ will care for patients the way we want members of our own families to be treated, while advancing humanity's ability to alleviate human suffering caused by disease. We will provide the right care in the right environment and at the right time, eliminating waste and maximizing value."

#### **Strategy Deployment Questions**

- What metrics (<10) are the best indicators of organizational health and progress toward True North?
- Where are the biggest gaps in performance?
  - Where do we need to raise the bar?
- What are doing to close those gaps?
- What progress are you making?
- Are you getting the results you predicted?
- What are you learning? How are you adjusting?

### Strategy Deployment as a Series of Hypotheses

#### Hypothesis #1:

If we focus our improvement efforts and close performance gaps in these four (or five) areas, we will therefore perform well as an organization, this year and over the long-term.

#### "True North" Focus Areas



Source: ThedaCare

#### **TRUE NORTH WALL SAFETY & PATIENT PEOPLE FINANCIAL QUALITY SERVICE**

#### **Building Consensus**



#### **Lessons Learned**

- Don't copy others' True North
- Go through the process of gaining consensus around what these should be
- True North must resonate with your people
- "The best strategy deployment system in the world doesn't make up for the wrong strategy." (Toussaint)

### Strategy Deployment as a Series of Hypotheses

#### **Hypothesis #2:**

If we can improve and close our performance gaps in these key performance indicators, we will satisfy our need for improvement in our key focus areas, and therefore we will be successful as an organization, overall.

#### "True North" Metrics



#### **System Level Metrics**



Source: Thinking Lean at ThedaCare (DVD)

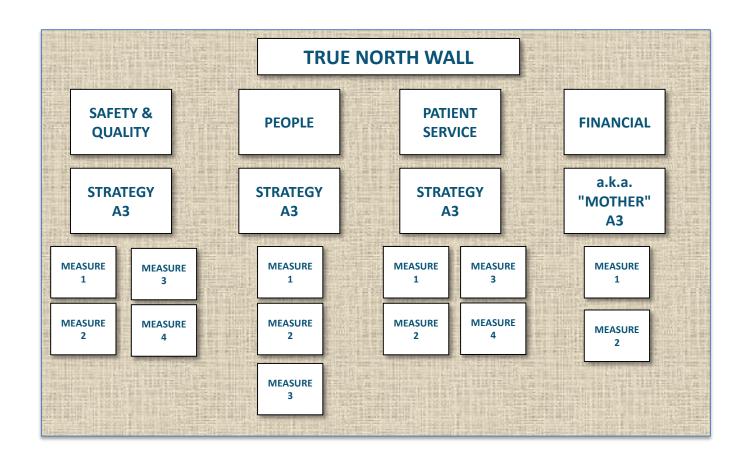
# **Annual PDSA Cycles**

- Goals & Metrics
  - How did we perform?

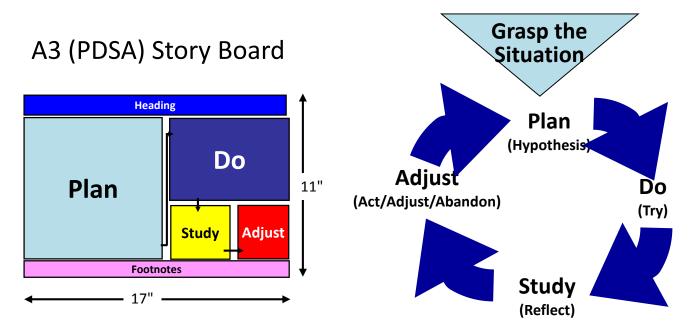


- Were those the right goals?
- Are these still the right goals?





## The A3 Management Discipline



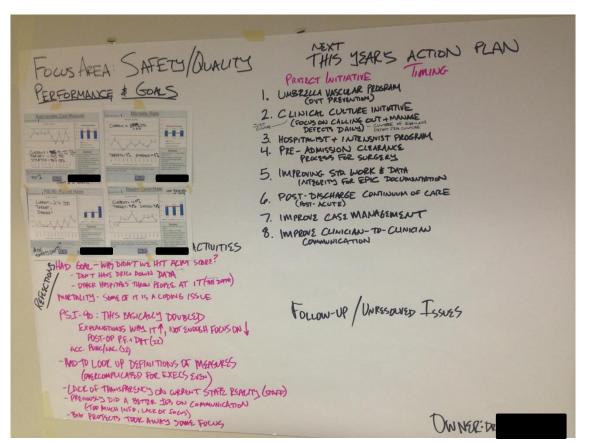
Cycles of learning and continuous process improvement

Developing people and improving processes

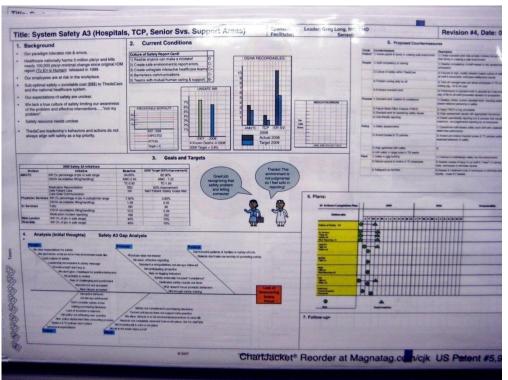
## Strategy A3

Focus:	Strategy A3	Dept:
Performance, gaps, and targets	This year's action plan (mile	estone chart)
Reflection on last year's activities and results		
Rationale for this year's activities		
	Followup / Unresolved issue	s
	Totomap / omesoved issue	
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# **Initial Strategy A3 Work**



# "Breakthrough A3" - Safety



Expect 20 to 50% improvement in these breakthrough A3s

#### **True North Can Evolve**

#### SAFETY/QUALITY

Preventable Mortality Medication Errors

#### **Safety**

- System Patient Safety Bundle
- D.A.R.T

#### &

#### Quality

- Preventable Mortality
- 30 Day Readmission

#### **DELIVERY**

PEOPLE
Same Day Access (24/7/365)
Quality of Time
THEDAGO

#### Customer "Lori"



Customer Loyalty Score

#### COST Operating Margin

RODUCTIVITY

Deflated Gross Revenue / FTE

#### **People**

**HAT Scores** 

- Engagement Index
- Health Assessment Score

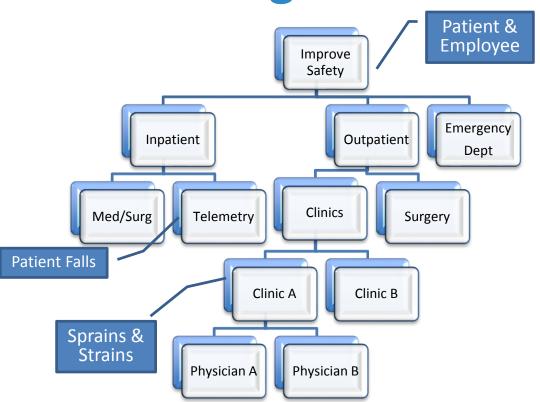
#### Financial Stewardship

- Operating Margin
- Productivity

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**Results Turn Around Time** 

# Align Measures Throughout the Organization



# **Tiered Metrics (3 Levels)**

Office







Primary Care Group (26 clinics)

Source: Group Health Cooperative

# **Daily Management Boards**



#### **Lessons Learned**

- KPI = **KEY** Performance Indicator
  - Tracking more metrics isn't always better
- Don't copy: gain consensus on the metrics
- Focus on metrics that are best indicators of progress & gap closure
- Is it worth arguing too much over exact goals?
- Get alignment, not everybody measuring the exact same thing

# Strategy Deployment as a Series of Hypotheses

#### **Hypothesis #3:**

If we actually execute and complete these top X initiatives, projects, events, and A3s, then we will make the greatest strides toward closing the key performance gaps (from Hypothesis #2) and therefore we'll be more successful in our strategy.

## **Prioritization is a Must**

 What are the "must do, can't fail" initiatives for our organization?

#### A Generalization...



Photo: Dr. John Toussaint

- Most organizations have too many:
  - "High priority" or
  - "Top priority" initiatives / projects
- Does any initiative get rejected or postponed?

How many of our top priority projects are getting completed??

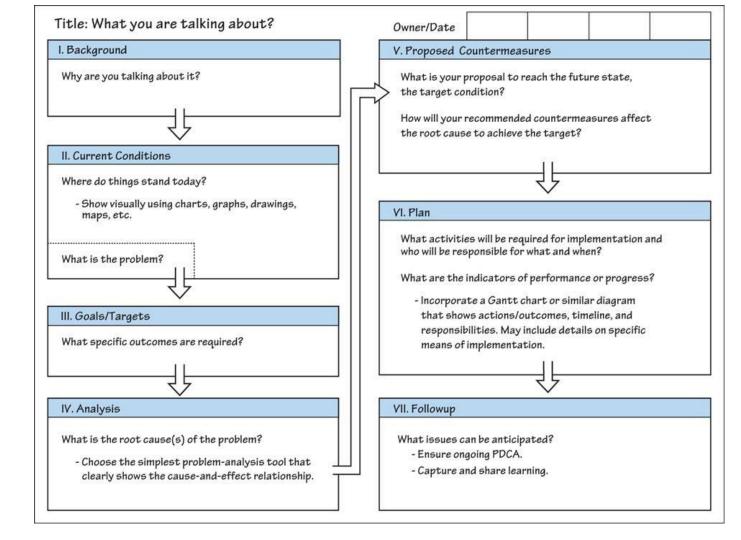
## "Deselecting"

- Don't implement every idea at once (Focus)
- Deselect if it doesn't meet immediate value stream project criteria



Source: ThedaCare

## Project A3



#### **BABY A3s**

BABY A3 BABY A3 #1 #2

BABY A3 #3

BABY A3 #4

**BABY A3** #5

BABY A3 #6

BABY A3

#11

#16

**BABY A3** #7

BABY A3 #8

**BABY A3** #9

**BABY A3** #10

**BABY A3** #12

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BABY A3 #18

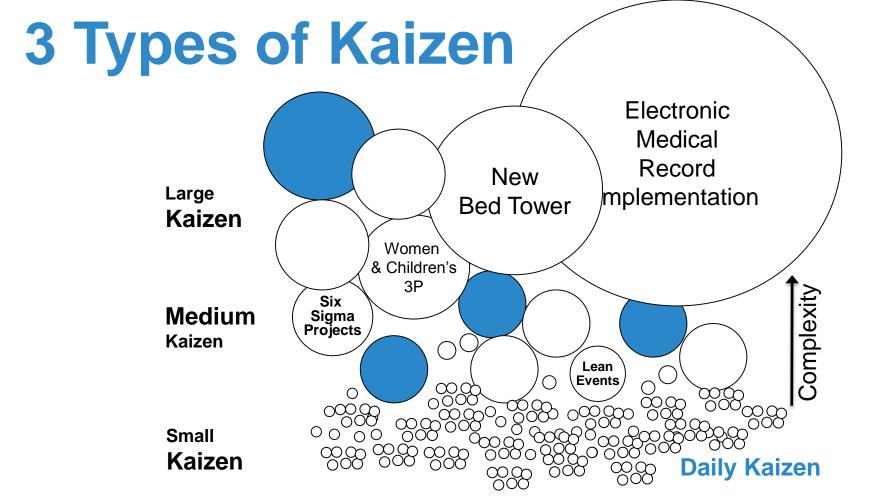
**BABY A3** #19

a.k.a "TACTICAL A3" #20

# **Nursing Unit Board**



Source: Thinking Lean at ThedaCare (DVD)



Circle size is meant to roughly represent relative size of effort; Blue = tracked top initiatives ("Baby A3s")

### **Lessons Learned**

- Don't take on too much
- Gaining consensus on this takes a lot of time, too
- Maybe err on the side of "too few" key initiatives?
- Stop jumping to solutions!
- Don't let "alignment" stifle Kaizen

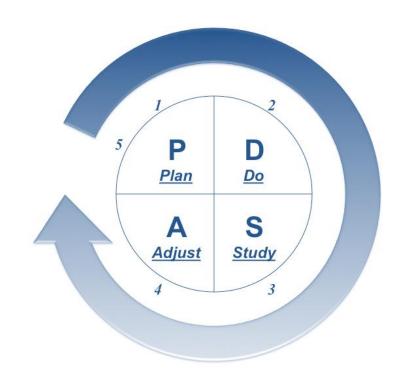
# Strategy Deployment as a Series of Hypotheses

Hypothesis #4:

We actually have the organizational capacity to complete these X top priorities in a year or a given timeframe (and with the right quality).

# **PDSA Review Cycles**

- Using PDSA cycles to:
  - Check progress on:
    - Activity
    - Results
    - Lessons learned



## **Mid-Year Review**

- Old management approach:
  - Get the results, no matter what!
  - Get the results, or else!
  - I don't care what you did, I'm happy you got the results

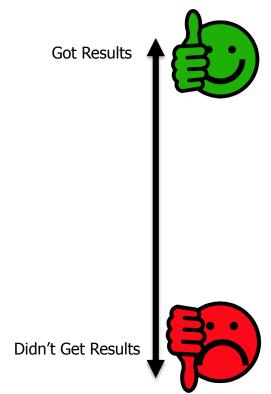
### **Mid-Year Review**

- Lean / S.D. / A3 / PDSA Approach:
  - If "Red" (not meeting target), ask:
    - Did we do what we said we'd do, but didn't get results?
      - Do we understand why?
      - What did we learn?
    - Did we NOT do what we said we'd do?
      - Do we understand why?
      - What did we learn?

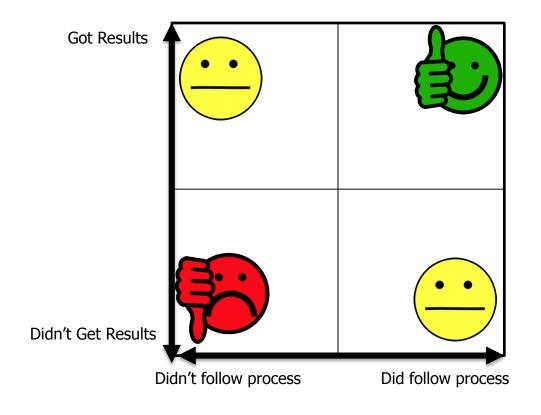
## **Mid-Year Review**

- Lean / S.D. / A3 / PDSA Approach:
  - If "Green" (meeting target), ask:
    - Did we do what we said we'd do, and got results?
      - What did we learn?
    - Did we NOT do what we said we'd do, but still got results?
      - Do we understand why?
      - What did we learn?

# **Traditional Approach**



# Lean Approach

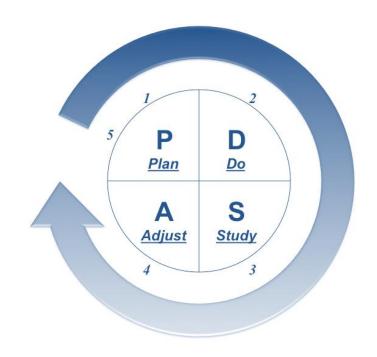


### **Lessons Learned**

- Don't be confused by a single data point versus a sustained trend in results
- Don't wait until the end of the year to say, "Oops..."
- PDSA Study capacity and progress
  - Adjust as needed
- If there's a new "top priority" initiative, what are you going to deselect?

## **Our 4 Hypotheses**

- 1. We have the right True North & categories
- 2. We've chosen the right metrics & gaps
- 3. We've chosen the right initiatives
- 4. We have the right capacity to execute them



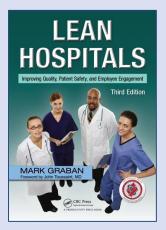


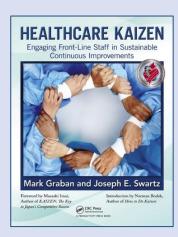


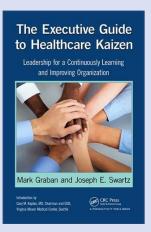
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