**MODEL FOR IMPROVEMENT**

**Plan a Test of Change**

**Team Name:** ABC Pediatrics

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**PLAN:**

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At the end of 8/1, count # of 11 yrs. old patients seen that day for well visit and how many had documentation in the record of a completed pre-visit form (# completed prior to visit and # completed that day). At end of visit, parent/caregiver will be asked for feedback about the form…was it useful? What did they like about it? What changes should be made?

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**STUDY:** COMPLETE ANALYSIS OF DATA; SUMMARIZE WHAT WAS LEARNED

**ACT:** ARE WE READY TO MAKE A CHANGE? Modifications or refinements to the test? PLAN FOR THE NEXT CYCLE

**Cycle #: 1 Start Date: 7/18/16 End Date: 8/5/16**

**Act**

**Plan**

**Study**

**Do**
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On July 18th, Mary sent the secure emails to the primary caregiver of each 11 yrs. old patient with an appointment scheduled during the week of Aug. 1st. Of the 10 families she emailed, all had portal accounts (thanks to our recent enrollment campaign!); 1 did not have a valid email address so she followed up with that mom by phone. Two completed forms were returned by the end of the day!

STUDY: COMPLETE ANALYSIS OF DATA; SUMMARIZE WHAT WAS LEARNED
Of the 10 parents/caregivers contacted for that week’s appointments, only 6 (60%) completed and returned the form at least 24 hrs. prior to the visit. Joyce report that 2 completed/submitted forms were not found in the patient’s record to review and the questions had to be asked again which did not make the parent/caregiver happy. All 6 parents/caregivers offered feedback: Q2 had a duplicate question; for Q4, being asked “who” was confusing; for Q5, how do they know if the patient will need bloodwork? They all liked Q7 (top 3 concerns/topics to discuss at the visit). Four reported getting the email 2 weeks before the visit gave them time to put it aside. A reminder would be helpful. Dr. Gordon reported she forgot to review the form for the first two 11 yrs. old patients she saw (she’d missed Huddle that morning!). An additional 4 parents/caregivers who scheduled the patient’s adol. well-visit less than 2 week before the appointment date did not receive a form via the portal prior to the appointment so all had to complete the form at the appointment!

ACT: ARE WE READY TO MAKE A CHANGE? Modifications or refinements to the test?

PLAN FOR THE NEXT CYCLE:
Mary will generate emails, with form, 1 week before appointment data and will edit message of auto-reminder sent 48 hrs. before appointment date.
Joyce will download submitted forms each day and scan them into the patient’s record prior to the visit. Huddle will include # of 11 yrs. old being seen for well-visits that day (as reminder to review/discuss pre-visit form and HPV decision aid which are both currently being tested).