**Quality Improvement Activity**

**Start date: End date:**

Improve management of patients with Dementia

**Practice/team name:**

**Specific**

Provide a clear description of what needs to be achieved.

**Measurable**

Include a metric with a target that indicates success.

**Achievable**

Set a challenging target but keep it realistic.

**Relevant**

Keep your goal consistent with higher-level goals.

**Time-Bound**

Set a date for when your goal needs to be achieved.

**QI Activity Lead:**

To create a register of patients with known dementia and those newly diagnosed, and use the register to review management

**Goal:**

What are we trying to accomplish?

**Change Ideas:**

What change can we make that will result in an improvement?

We will measure through data extraction tools: the number of patients with dementia and cognitive impairment

**QI Activity Team:**

**Benchmark:**

What is our current data saying?

* Name/Role
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Use free text search in software and convert to coded diagnosis

Review patients identified through data extraction searches

Review recall and reminder process in practice

**Measures:**

How will we know that a change is an improvement?

What data will we use to track our improvement?

**ACT**

*Review or extend activity?*

*Implement the plan and record observations*

**DO**

**PLAN**

**STUDY**

*Develop a plan and the steps involved*

Consult with the WVPHN practice facilitator, develop a plan of action and present it at staff meetings.

Form a QI team, discuss workflow and allocate roles & responsibilities. [ideally – practice manager (can include WVPHN practice facilitator) and at least one GP, nurse and admin staff.]

QI lead to extract baseline data from practice software using data extraction tool.

Communicate goals to staff via staff meeting, personal reviews, notice board.

Convert free text in software to coded diagnosis - seek assistance from WVPHN for this

Compare post data to baseline data Communicate results with practice staff

Set next QI cycle to review patients

*Analyse and learn from the results*

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**DO**

**PLAN**

**STUDY**

*Develop a plan and the steps involved*

*Analyse and learn from the results*