



Quality Improvement & Innovation Partnership

SUPPORTING ONTARIO'S FAMILY HEALTH TEAMS 



“Here is Edward Bear, coming downstairs now, bump, bump, bump, on the back of his head, behind Christopher Robin. It is, as far as he knows, the only way of coming downstairs, but sometimes he feels that there really is another way, if only he could stop bumping for a moment and think of it”

A.A. Milne 1926

Illustration E.H. Shepard 1926/14

**FHTs
were
often
over-
whelmed
by all
they
needed
to do**



Assisting FHTs with

- developing and evaluating programs
- building teams and integrating additional health professionals
- building links with community partners
- improving the ways that care is delivered
- creating organizational frameworks to support these changes

Negotiating the transition to a new model of primary health care



**Like trying to cross a bridge while
its still under construction**

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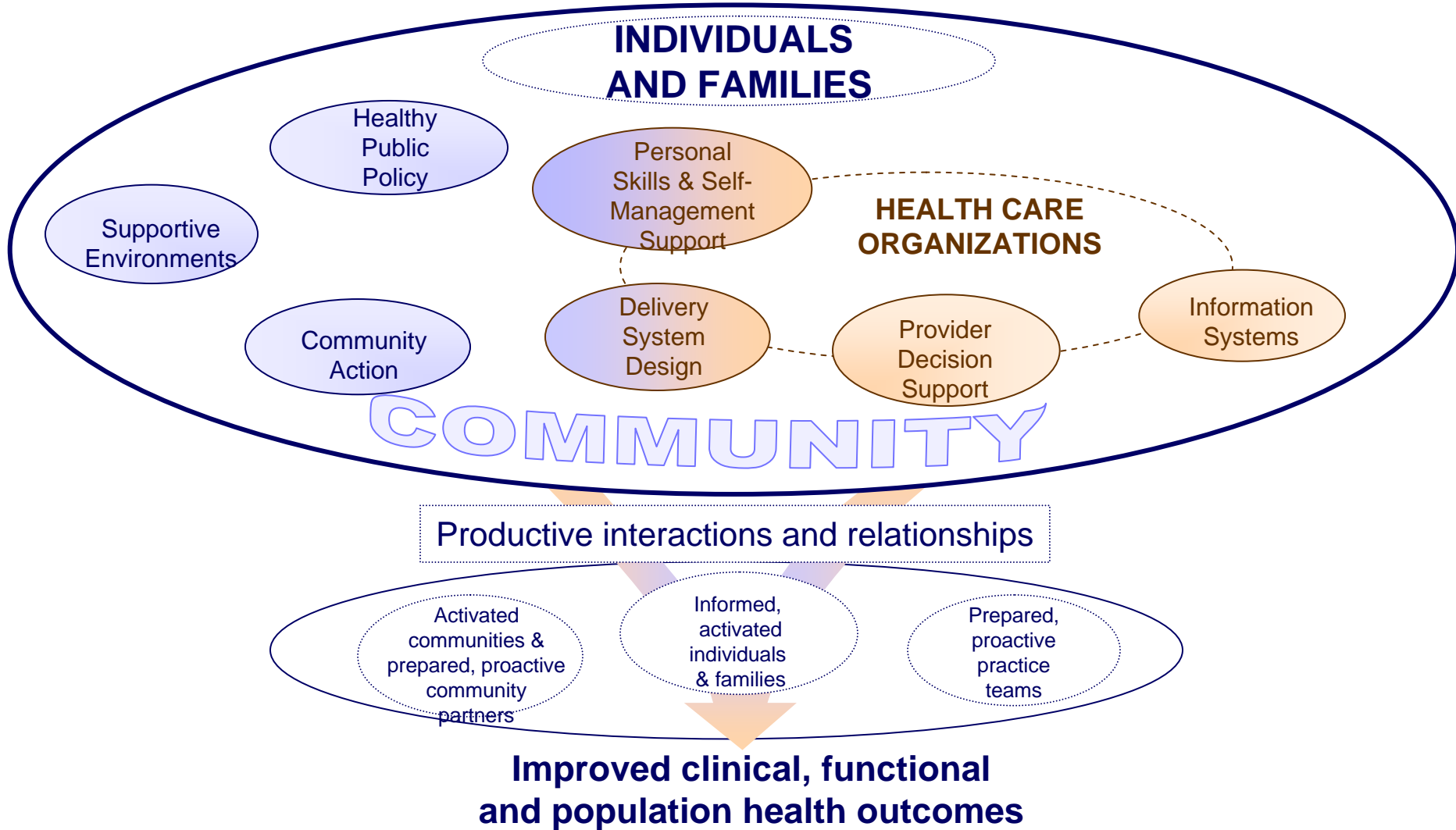


- Develop networks and links between FHTs
- Provide resources and supports
- **Support the introduction of a quality improvement agenda**

- Framework
 - Evidence-Based Guidelines
 - The Care Model
 - The Improvement Model
- Method
 - Learning Collaboratives focusing on:
 - Chronic Disease Management (diabetes)
 - Preventive Care (colorectal cancer screening)
 - Access and Efficiency
- Supports
 - Practice Facilitators
 - Leadership development and capacity building
 - Learning communities

The Care Model

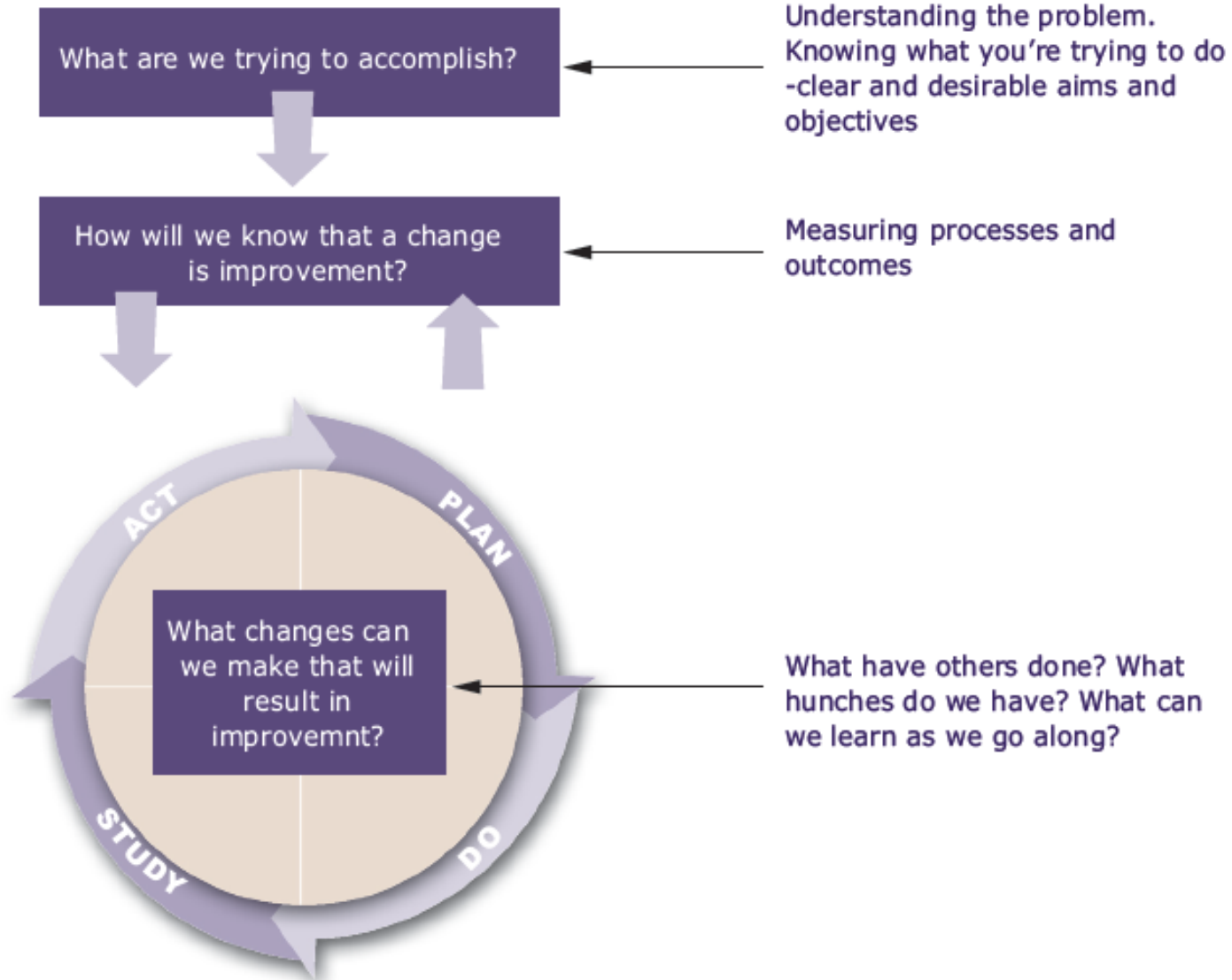
Ontario's CDPM Framework



The Improvement Model

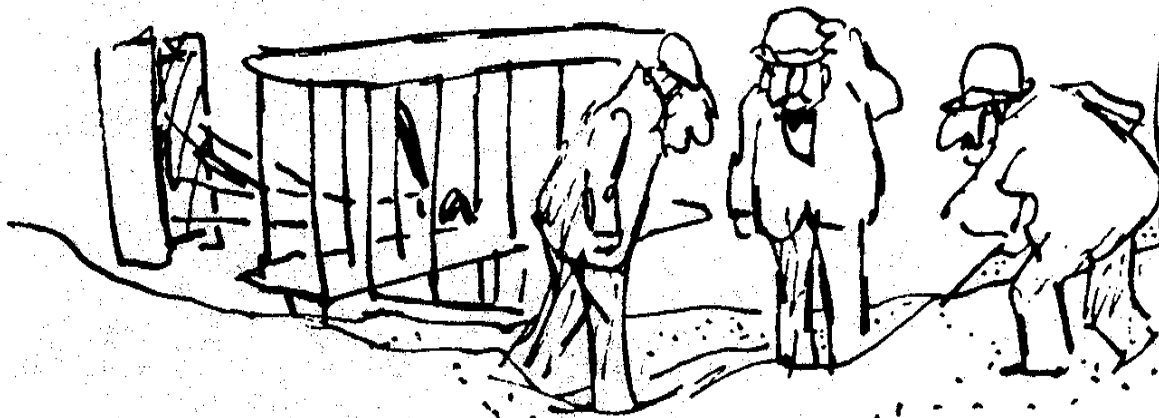
The improvement model

Plan, Do, Study, Act Cycle



Immediately after Orville Wright's historic 12-second flight, his luggage could not be located.

**Not
everything
will work out
exactly as
anticipated**



J. Harris

How many seniors (with elevated BP) have had their BP monitored in last 3 month / received an evidence-based intervention

Call 10 seniors to ask them about their current BP monitoring

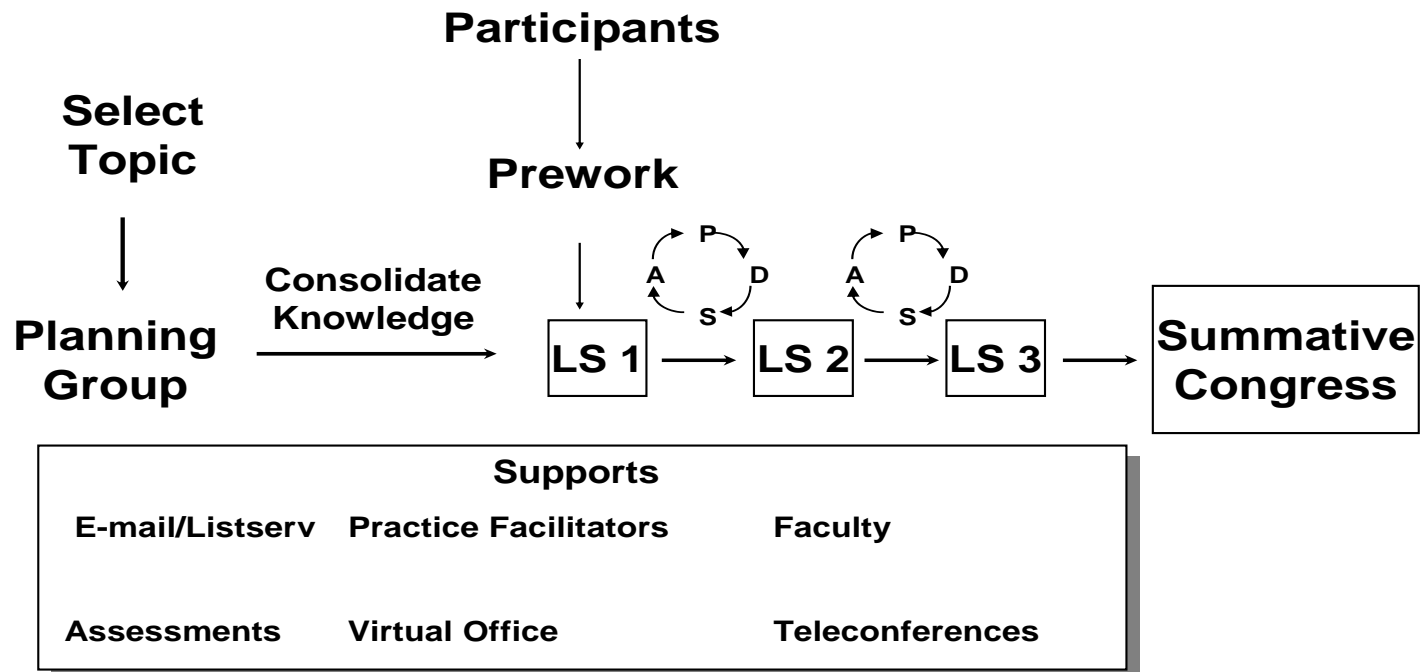
Send out 25 letters re CHAP and follow-up with phone calls

Call 10 patients when results received from pharmacy

The Learning Model

IHI Breakthrough Series Model

Learning Model



LS = Learning Session

- 3 Collaboratives - 2008 – 2010
- ~ 15 month duration
- Opportunity to send team offered to all FHTs
- Focus on learning the methodology through:
 - Improving diabetes care
 - Screening for colorectal cancer
 - Improving access and efficiency
- First collaborative – held May 26, 27
 - 36 teams from FHTs
 - 3 teams from CHCs
 - 1 PHC Shared Care Pilot
- Second Collaborative – begins November 3, 4/08

Practice Facilitators

- 16 facilitators hired to date – 11.5 FTEs
- Eventual ratio 10 teams to 1 FTE
- Skills in coaching + team
- Regular FHT visits plus
 - telephone support
 - Email support
 - conference calls
- Build QI readiness and capacity
- Ongoing role, but less involved as team matures

Specific concepts applicable to CHAP

Leadership within a practice

- Lead team / individual within a practice
- Health Promotion / CHAP

Community Linkages

- List / know of key community resources / partners
- Establish personal contacts with one or two key partners

Specific concepts applicable to CHAP

Pro-active follow-up

- Disease Management Registry / EMR – Population Health Capability
- Application of Improvement model / PDSA approach
- Pro-active follow-up
- Prepared visits

Self-Management Support

- Goals and plan
- Relevant information (health literacy)

**Attention
Dog Guardians**

Pick up after your
dogs. Thank you.

Attention Dogs

Grrrrr, bark, woof.
Good dog.

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easy to understand format**

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