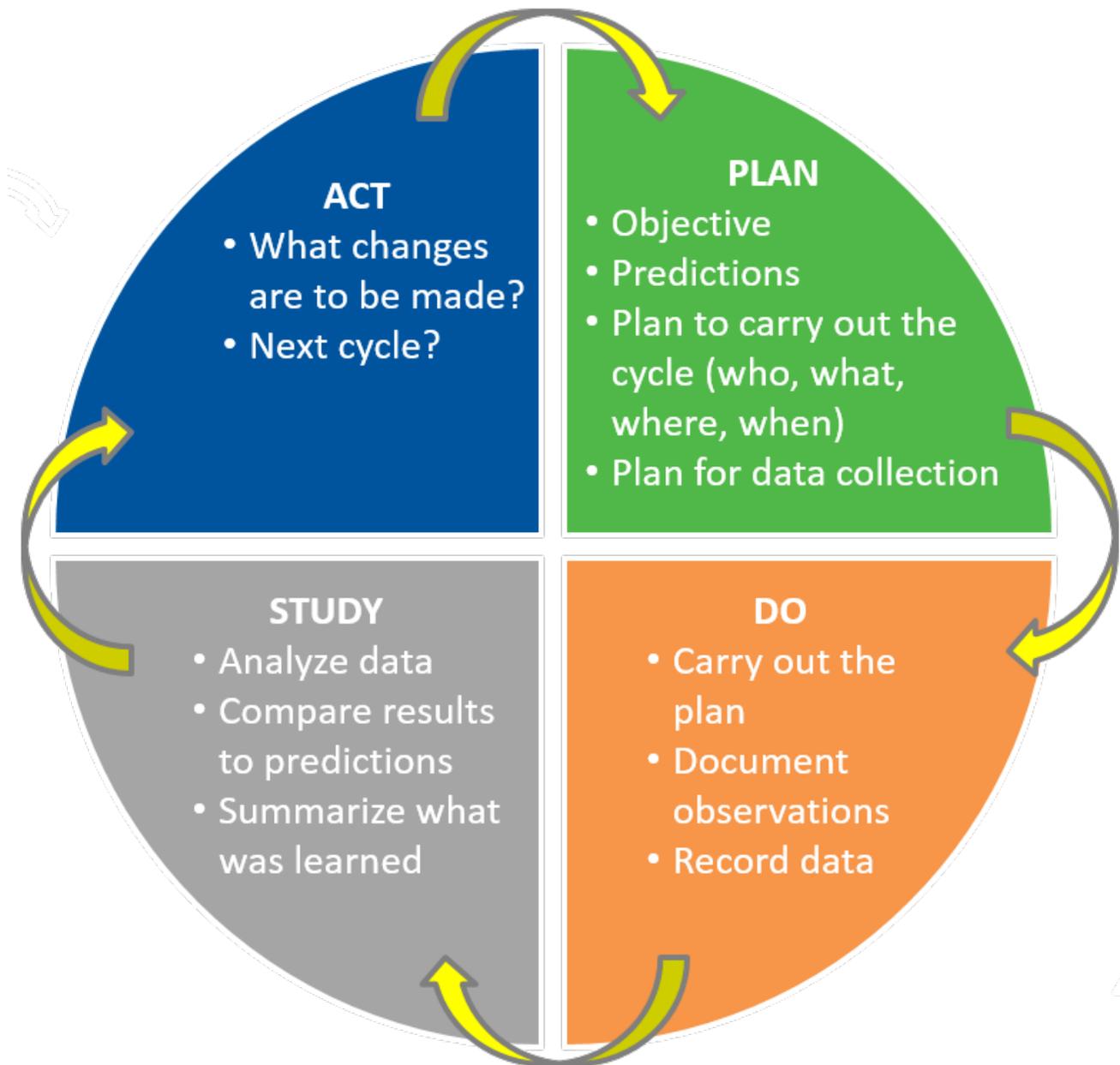




What's Your Plan to Increase the Number of Patients Transitioning Through the 7-Steps to Home Dialysis?



Plan

- **Goal:** Increase the number of in-center patients training on home dialysis January–September by 10%
- **Interventions:**
 - Collaborate with home dialysis staff to assist in providing initial, ongoing, and individualized home education to staff and patients
 - Establish Lead(s) to coordinate tracking patients through the 7-Steps/activities
- **Timeline:** January–September 2018

Do

- **Carry out the plan** by conducting root cause analysis (RCA), submit data to the Network monthly, conduct education, identify/employ/share best practices
- **Educate** all in-center patients; discuss non-interested patients with the Interdisciplinary Team (IDT)
- **Document** all patients interested in dialyzing at home and discuss suitability with the IDT and Medical Director. Ensure the Nephrologist or Medical Director documents patient unsuitability for home dialysis in the patient’s medical record as applicable
- **Track patients transitioning through the 7-Steps** using a tracking tool; report progress to Network monthly utilizing SurveyMonkey links

Study

- Continue to Review patients for suitability and interest monthly
 - Discuss those patients who have been educated with the IDT, Medical Director and home dialysis staff, including next steps for interested patients and how to address patients that are not interested in home dialysis
- Are patients being tracked through the 7-Steps in a timely manner?
- Is your home nurse and team at capacity for training new patients and unable to provide timely education?

Act

- Make changes to ensure timely transitioning of patients through the 7-Steps
- Add resources (home patient peer mentor, educational tools) to assist in educating suitable patients
- Identify an in-center Home Champion to provide patients interested in home dialysis with timely education that over-taxed staff do not have time to provide
- Identify additional staff to assist in leading activities and completing monthly reporting if you are covering more than one in-center facility