Using Qualitative Summary Templates and Matrix Displays to Assess Factors that Impact the Pace of Implementation

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Caring Contacts



Sending Veterans Support





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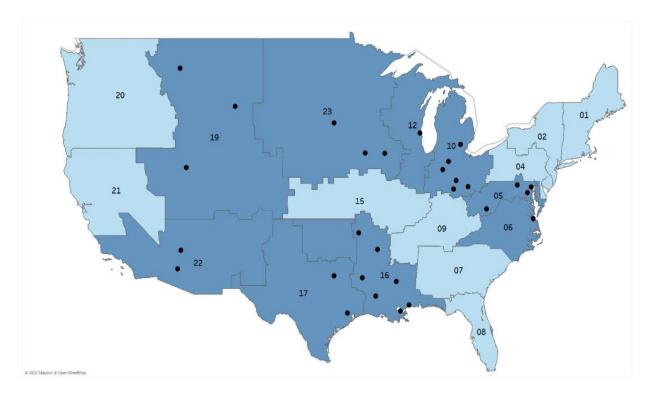
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Implement & Evaluate at 28 Facilities

- VA QUERI Partnered Implementation Initiative (PII) to implement and evaluate Caring Contacts in the emergency department
 - 3 years to spread & evaluate
 - Using implementation facilitation
- 28 sites in 9 VISNs



Caring Contacts

- Sending patients who are suicidal brief, nondemanding expressions of care and concern at specified intervals over a year
- Significant reductions in suicide deaths^{1,2}, attempts, and ideation at 1- and 2-year follow-up^{3,4,5}
- Feasible and acceptable with military and veteran populations
- Recommended by VA/DOD clinical practice guidelines



ear Ms. Squirrel

"Who kept the faith and fought the fight, the glory theirs and the duty ours."

-Wallace Bruce

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All of us at CAVHS Emergency
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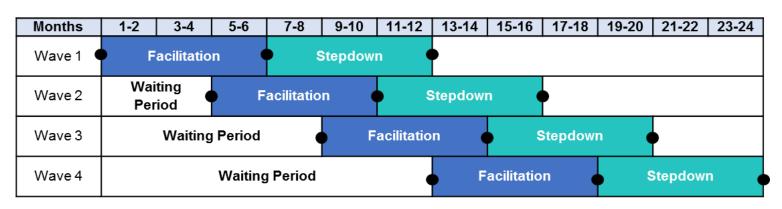


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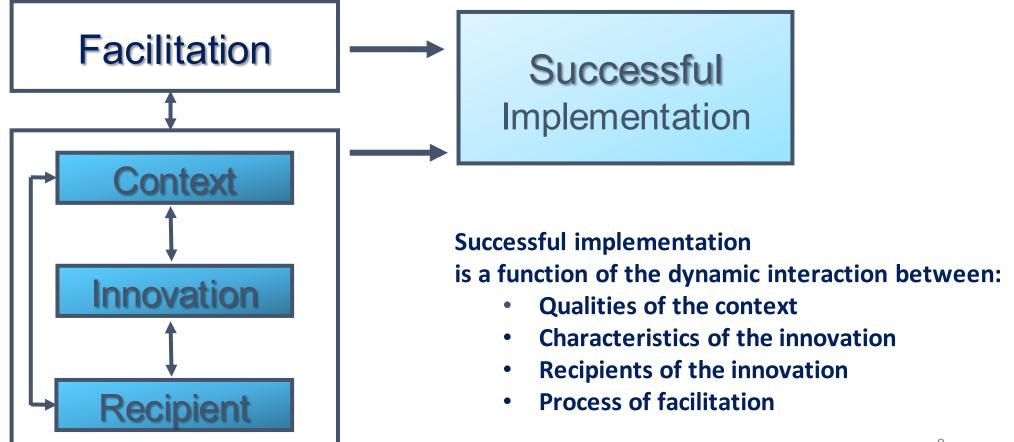
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 To support implementation and spread of Caring Contacts, we are using the implementation strategy of facilitation

i-PARIHS Framework



Qualitative Evaluation



Identify contextual, innovation, recipient, and facilitation barriers and facilitators that impact implementation



Understand how barriers and facilitators impact the <u>pace</u> of implementation at each site

Data Collection

- Dyadic debriefs with a team of two external facilitators conducted:
 - Bi-weekly by telephone until the first Caring Contact sent
 - Monthly by telephone until the site enters into sustainment
- Debriefs last ≤ 60-minutes
 - ≤ 30-minutes per site

Caring Contacts



Timeline of Dyac	lic Debriefs	(x)						
		Sites 506 & 610	Facilitator	s 1 and 3		Sites 666 & 695	Facilitators 1 and 2	
		Debrief	Implemen	tation Activity		Debrief	Implementation Activity	
May 11-15			•		5/13		First phone & Form Eval (695)	SITI
May 18-22							• •	• → 1
May 25-29					5/27	x		• →
Jun 1-5								
Jun 8-12					6/10	x		
Jun 15-19	6/17		First emai	1 (610)				• → 2
Jun 22-26	6/25		First phon	e & Form Eval (610)	6/24	x		
Jun 29-Jul 3	7/1			Meet (610)				
Jul 6-10					7/9	x		
Jul 13-17	miss				7/16		Imp Plan Meet (695)	
Jul 20-24					7/22	x	First email (666)	
Jul 27-31	miss							• → 3
Aug 3-7					miss	Cancelled - Facilitator on AL		
Aug 10-Aug 14	8/14		First CC s	sent (610)				
Aug 17-Aug 21	8/18	x			8/19	x		
Aug 24-Aug 28					8/26		First phone (666) & Form Eval	(666)
Aug 31-Sept 4					miss, 9/3	Cancelled - no updates	Form Eval (666) & Imp Plan G	uide Fir • → 4
Sept 7-11	9/8	x						
Sept 14-18	9/14		Form. Eva	al call (506)	miss	Missing - no debriefs scheduled		
Sept 21-25	9/21, 9/22	x	First CC s	sent (610)				
Sept 28-Oct 2			Proc. Ed	call (506)	10/1	x		1
Oct 5-9	10/5	x						1
Oct 12-16					10/14			1
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Oct 26-30						nything they might have	told you daining	
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Nov 16-20

11/16

Before asking question #1, inquire about anything they might have

e.g., "Last time you told us that [stakeholder] was really challenging the value of prior debrief regarding what they planned to do.

Caring Contacts and you planned to XXX. Tell me what has happened (or what

- How is implementation of Caring Contacts going at [name of site]? (e.g. fast/slow) How would you describe where this site is in the overall process of implementation?

SITE 695: ¶

- → 1st·Dvadic Debrief: ·5/27¶
 - o → Clinical champion is a junior VA person and knowing who to engage is a learning process; she is not well-connected, and she seems to lack confidence
 - o → Because of COVID-19, site champion can't guarantee 25% protected time¶
- → 2nd·Dyadic Debrief: 6/10¶
 - o → Champion and her supervisor are worried about her time commitment; need to identify another champion. Champion also not comfortable in the role of champion, assalesperson for the project. Champion also not comfortable as a result of where she is in her career and her position vis a vis leadership.
 - o → Mental health service line structured in a unique way: have two co-leads at the top and three leads at the specific clinic; this may impact communication \[\]
- → 3rd·Dyadic·Debrief:·6/24¶
 - o → New champion identified, but 1 and 2 had to wait a while and had to push for it: 1 and 2 have not vet met with new champion.
 - o → 1 and 2 sense that mental health leadership are not excited about CC-ED; sense that it is an-unfunded-mandate¶
- → 4th·Dvadic·Debrief: ·7/9¶
 - o → 1 and 2 have met with new champion. New champion is excited. Determining factor in choosing new-champion was that she had the time. New champion is also more outgoing, and less intimated by leadership.
 - o → Leadership, again, did not explain role of champion well to the champion. Champion had questions about the scope of her role, how CC-ED is different from other caring contacts \(\big| \)
 - o → Very social work driven; connection with leadership is still tenuous. Stakeholders outside. of social work (i.e., psychologists and psychiatrists) are passively supportive \[\]
 - o → Events are moving forward, but it is a slow-moving site¶
 - o → At the site, there is still confusion about the intervention and how it's supposed to run¶

Rational for the Analytic Approach

- Research question(s)
- Need to manage a very large qualitative data set across sites
 - Analysts located at: North Little Rock, Iowa City, Palo Alto
- Desire to minimize interpretation to increase analytic efficiency
- The skills and analytic expertise of a diverse team
- Need to capture a dynamic and shifting **process**, rather than static snapshots at each time point

- 1)-Any-key-facilitation-dates/activities-(first-contact, first-implementation-planningmeeting, sustainment plan completed) for Barbara to know about?
 - -→ Still no process in place to "trigger" Barbara to schedule the first debrief. ¶
- 2)+Does'Barbara'need'anything'from'the'team?¶
- 3)+Reminder: Nyssa pulling data from fac time tracking log --- Was the glitch with the time tracker worked out?
- → Did anything interesting occur during auditing (i.e., developed new categories, 4)>Dyadic-fac-debriefs¶
 - → Reminder: 'Dyadic'debriefs'occur'monthly after the first CC has been sent → Some debriefs still need auditing (DB10-436, DB15_539, etc.)¶

 - → Jen's question about the sites

 - → DB11, '436: 'it just goes down to how do you pick a site that is going to be needing additional resources that are going to be able to implement with less, and this is a site which you would have picked, frontier, eleven hours from one CBOC to the medical center, people scattered all over the place, and yet they have been able to pull it together even when being detailed home because of COVID: 'So, when we start thinking about factors that impact implementation, it's just-very-challenging-to-quantify-those-or-even-identify-them-in-a-manner-which-

Overall Strategy

- Individual summary templates^{6,7}
 - Deductive content analysis informed by theory and the literature
 - Inductive analysis attending to implicit or subtle processes / dynamics
- Site matrix displays (N=28)⁸
 - Longitudinal analysis of template data
- Data visualization

Team-based Approach

Data Collection

- Audio recording
- Transcribing

Data Cleaning & Analysis

- Template
- •Review Template
- Audit

Data Synthesis

•Template to Matrix

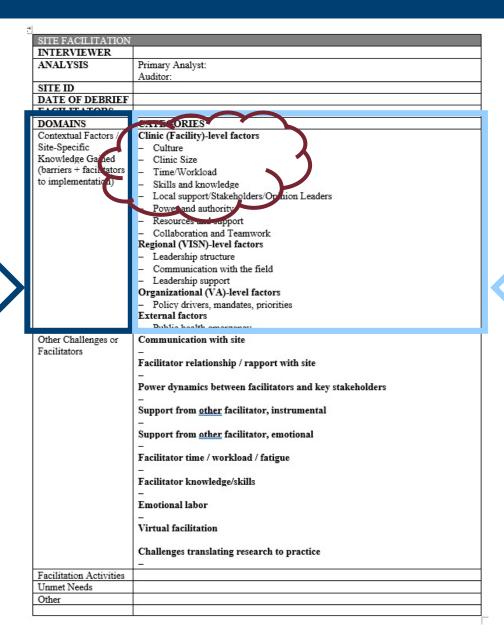
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Template Analysis: Data reduction and organization

- Summarize and organize transcribed content in templates (tables) contained in Word docs
- Templates can be theoretically informed or goal-oriented
 - i.e., domains and categories borrowed from a theoretical framework, the literature, and/or research goals
- Templates focus analysis while permitting discovery
- Facilitates the efficient translation of findings into actionable results
 - e.g., recommendations for improving a process, scientific publications and presentations, etc.

Example of a Template

i-PARIHS Framework



Deductive categories based on IS literature

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Site-Specific

Knowledge Gained

to implementation)

(barriers + facilitators

SITE FACILITATION					
INTERVIEWER	Jen				
ANALYSIS	Primary Analyst: Jen				
	Auditor:				
SITE ID	695				
DATE OF DEBRIEF	4-29-2021				
FACILITATORS	1 and 2				
DOMAINS	CATEGORIES				
Contextual Factors /	Clinic (Facility)-level factors				

running... They are just not making it

i-PARIHS Framework

Deductive IS categories

Inductive categories developed from data from the field

Time/Workload

Culture

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1. They are time so close to actually launching the program and having it up and

2 I think we described them as the Cha-Cha site. They are two steps forward.

- Skills and knowledge
 - Regarding implementation with fidelity

I m trying to make sure they are accumenting is the ways that they should be

o History of Caring Contacts

Pace of implementation

one step back

I have a feeling it may be another site where they have picked up on suicide prevention's processes for their caring letters and similar to where they told us they knew what they were doing in terms of the SPED dashboard download, [hut] then we learned that they weren't nulling with the right criteria.

- Local support/Stakeholders/Opinion Leaders
 - Participation in implementation planning meetings

I aon t trimk we ve taikea to [tne site lead] since the party started... I aon t want to say she's fallen off the radar or out of the picture but she's definitely not in the ballroom.

Staff turnover / attrition / absences

__inot being able to telework during COVIDJ has had a direct impact on turnover as well as just general morale too. So, you get people who are still there but they feel not well supported by their leaders and because there's turnover they get more and more put on them... they are exhausted and overwhelmed and just trying to make it through the days

Data (i.e., excerpt) from debriefs with facilitators

Site Matrix Displays: Data synthesis and further reduction

- Site matrices organized in an Excel form by i-PARIHS domain (y axis) and time point (x axis)
- Populate fields with data from individual templates

Site Matrix Displays

- Allowed for comparison of barriers and facilitators over time
 - i.e., which factors came into play, when factors came into play, for how long factors impacted implementation
- Insights from longitudinal analyses, summary of barriers and facilitators, and impactful statements placed in a separate tab
- Five key implementation events used to assess the pace of implementation
 - 1. Formative evaluation meeting
 - 2. Implementation planning meeting(s)
 - 3. Implementation planning guide finalized
 - 4. Caring Contacts launched
 - 5. Sustainment plan finalized

Domain by Time Point Site Matrix

1 A	0	P	Q	R	S
	Time Point 14	Time Point 15	Time Point 16	Time Point 17	Time Point 18
Culture	Pace of implementation _They were] holding off for scheduling the training until the materials were ready to go outI keep thinking that this site is going forever and just needs to launch. Initiative taking/enthusiasm _The backup specialist is] an office support for suicide prevention, so this was her thing	Initiative taking/enthusiasm _When I think about this site, if I was a leader there and I knew that this thing wasn't happening and because we are waiting on envelopes, I would go buy the envelopes myself if you want this to happen, you find a way to get the envelopes Pace of Implementation Initiative taking/enthusiasm _This is the site of unfortunate and avoidable delays that I don't understand. I think in some ways [waiting to do education until they have the envelopes is] another delay tactic, and I don't know if its bandwidth, time commitment, which is probably the most likely.	_They are also very proactive on their own. They feel empowered. It's been a real pleasure to work with them.	Pace of implementation _We lost both [the champion and the specialist] to other positions and they are just slow anyway. We had those big delays and they are slow anyway They seem ok with it	Initiative taking / enthusiasm _The feeling for this site is kind of different than anyone I've worked with before What's different about this site, and I think it's just that the leader has been distracted because usually there's somebody at the site who is really saying, "We need this. Make it happen." Pace of implementation _1: They are like so close to actually launching the program and having it up and running They are just not making it _2: I think we described them as the Cha-Cha site. They are two steps forward, one step back
Clinic-level factors: Clinic size			Volume of cards to distributeThe old specialist did] the first pull on the SPED dashboard. She pulled the first eleven days in March, and in her criteria, she only got four veterans back		
Clinic-level factors: Time / Workload			_their site has been setting up their own templates for CPRSbecause of how they have it set up with the	_I think they do have some workload issues. This was one of those sites where they lost a lot of people because they didn't have a telework option. People were leaving because they were forced to stay home and take care of their kids.	There's been a lot dumped on [the champion] without having another lead or somebody in leadership saying, "I need you to do this. We need to get this done. Push it forward." I think without that for [the champion] it's not that she isn't interested or excited and wanting to do it, but it's just another thing of many things she is tasked with
Clinic-level factors: Skills & knowledge		History of Caring Contacts _I think somehow maybe by aligning our Caring Contacts with what they have already got, it just gets off course a little bit. Maybe that's why they are waiting. Maybe with their suicide prevention Caring Contacts they don't do education until they have	It has taken a little bit of time to get to this point where we've overcome their belief that they were knowledgeable and skilled about everything that	Regarding implementation with fidelity _We've seen from them before that they are doing similar programs and said, "we've got this." When we got them to show us what they are doing, they don't quite have it and there is a need for correction when we looked at the cards, they had changed the messaging and when we	Regarding implementation with Fidelity History of Caring Contacts I have a feeling it may be another site where they have picked up on suicide prevention's processes for their caring letters and similar to where they told us they knew what they were doing in terms of the SPED dashboard download,
← → Context	Activities Unmet Needs Analyses (⊕			



Three Sites, Three Patterns

- Case study 1: Rapid implementation
 - FE completed 5/04/2020
 - Caring Contact launched 3 months later, on 08/05/2020
- Case study 2: Delayed implementation
 - FE began on 5/13/2020, completed 5/29/2020.
 - Caring Contact launched 6 months later, on 11/06/2020
- Case study 3: Interrupted implementation
 - FE completed 7/27/2020
 - Caring Contact launch date initially delayed to Dec
 - Launch later delayed indefinitely

Case Study 3: Interrupted implementation

Facilitators

- Frontier site
 - Cohesive clinic culture
 - High degree of collaboration among staff
 - Experienced at collaborating virtually
 - Efficient flow of communication to facilitators
- Influential and motivated CC Champion
- Participation of clinic staff in implementation planning meetings

"...they are used to just sending each other things and tasks and even though it's spread out, they really truly work together [...] But they are quick, and they are cohesive, and they are really well integrated I think given their setting."

Case Study 3: Interrupted implementation

Barriers

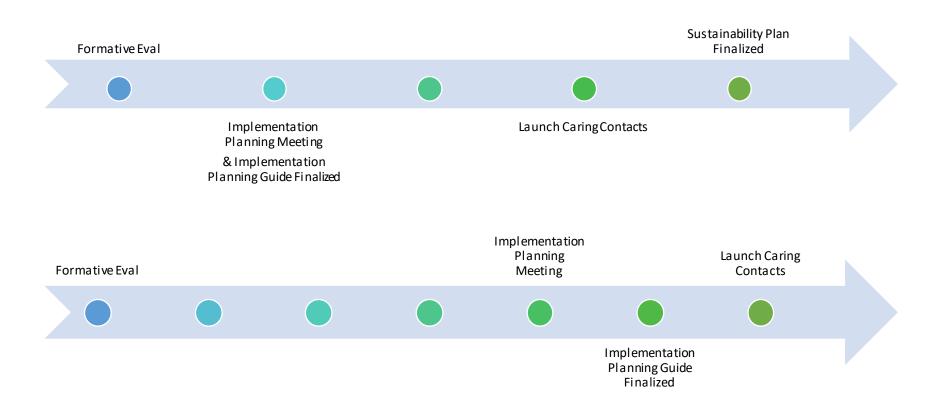
- Not initially linking suicide prevention screening with health factors
 - Could not identify appropriate Veteran population via the SPED dashboard
- Re-training on the SPED dashboard delayed by COVID, staffing shortages

"I'm not sure how long we will be in the implementation phase because we can't move forward until they are able to fix the health factor link to the Columbia."

Data Visualization



Plots five key implementation events along a graph to help assess variation in the pace of implementation across sites



Guide: One dot = One month



Unexpected insights

- What constitutes a barrier (or facilitator) at one site can function as a facilitator (or barrier) at another
- Even sites with every advantage in place can experience delays in implementation
- These insights have implications for efforts to develop instruments by which to gauge implementation readiness and select sites for implementation of interventions
 - It will be challenging to operationalize concepts such as barriers and facilitators
 - Site "readiness" changes through time and during the course of implementation

Advantages of the Overall Approach

- Allows implementation to emerge as a dynamic process
- Lends insights into how factors interacted at different time points
- Permits initial findings to be used to inform facilitation and/or implementation
- Facilitates cross-site comparisons
- Avoids issues related to updating and sharing software across VA sites
- Established rigor during the analytic process

Challenges Experienced

- Reducing the data (rather than coding it)
- Pausing to "sink in" during analysis
 - i.e., reading deeply into the transcripts rather than floating at the surface
- Adjusting the timeline for visualizations when debriefs have been rescheduled
- Keeping data visualizations up-to-date

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