



# Going Ape for APE and Self-Studies

PD Mini Session January 14-15, 2020

# Objectives

1. Describe the purpose of and relationship between APEs, Self-Studies and 10 Year Site Visit
2. Describe the purpose and process of a PDSA cycle
3. Gain skill in writing SMART goals

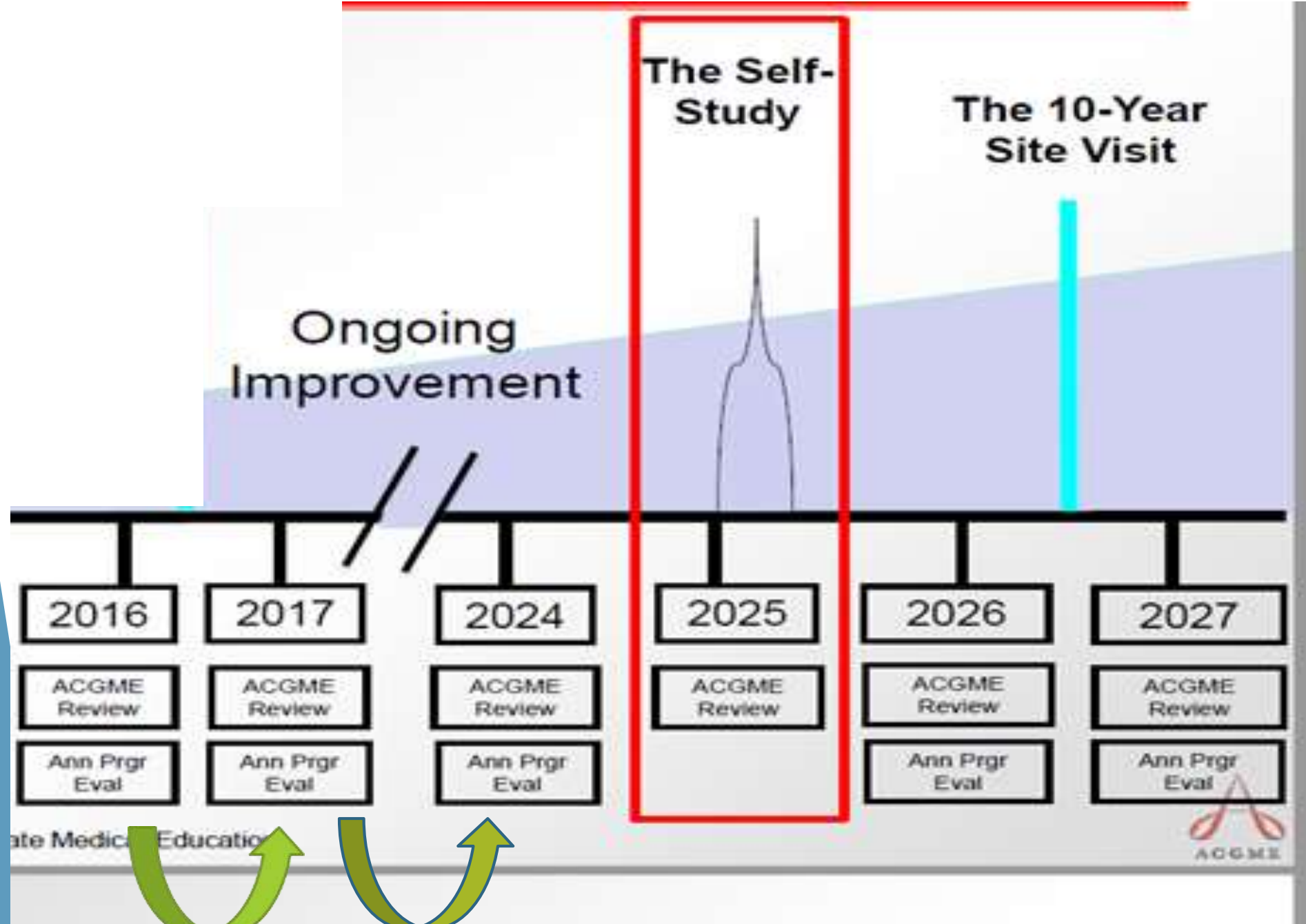
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Ongoing

The Self-Study

The 10-Year Site Visit

The core data for the Self-Study is information from successive Annual Program Evaluations, with a focus on:

- Program strengths
- Areas for improvement;
- How improvements are prioritized, selected, and implemented; and
- follow-up to assess whether interventions were effective.

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The Self-Study

The 10-Year Site Visit

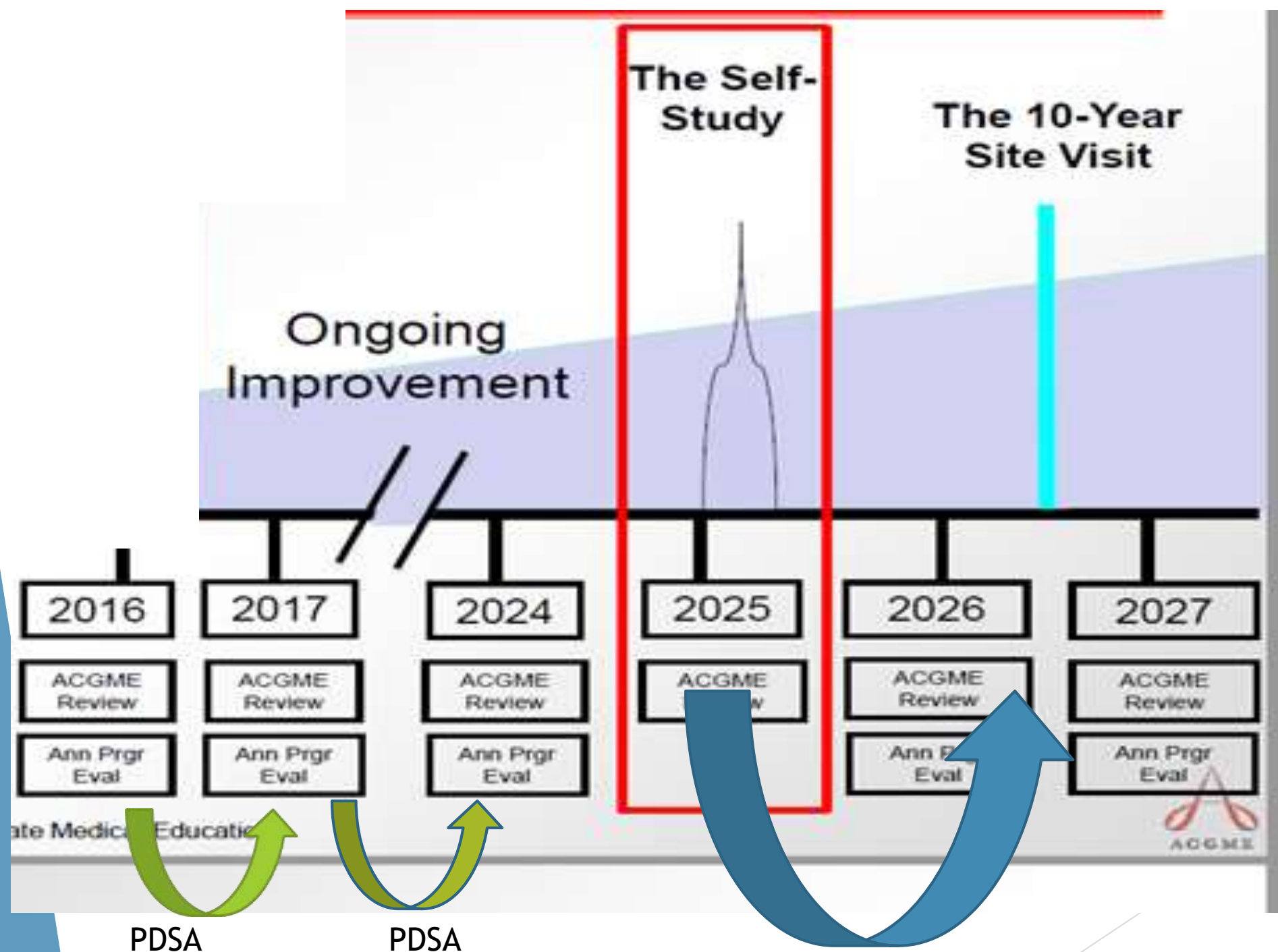
The final step for the Self-Study group...is to compile...program strengths and areas for improvement.

..the Self-Study Summary submitted to the ACGME does not include these strengths and areas for improvement.

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The Self-Study

The 10-Year Site Visit

Prior to 10-Year Site Visit programs will submit a list of program strengths and priorities for improvement identified during the Self-Study for which the program has been able to make improvements.

Because program improvement activities are considered QI no information on areas that have not yet been improved should be submitted to the ACGME. This allows programs to conduct a frank assessment of areas for improvement.

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ACGME Review

Ann Prgr Eval

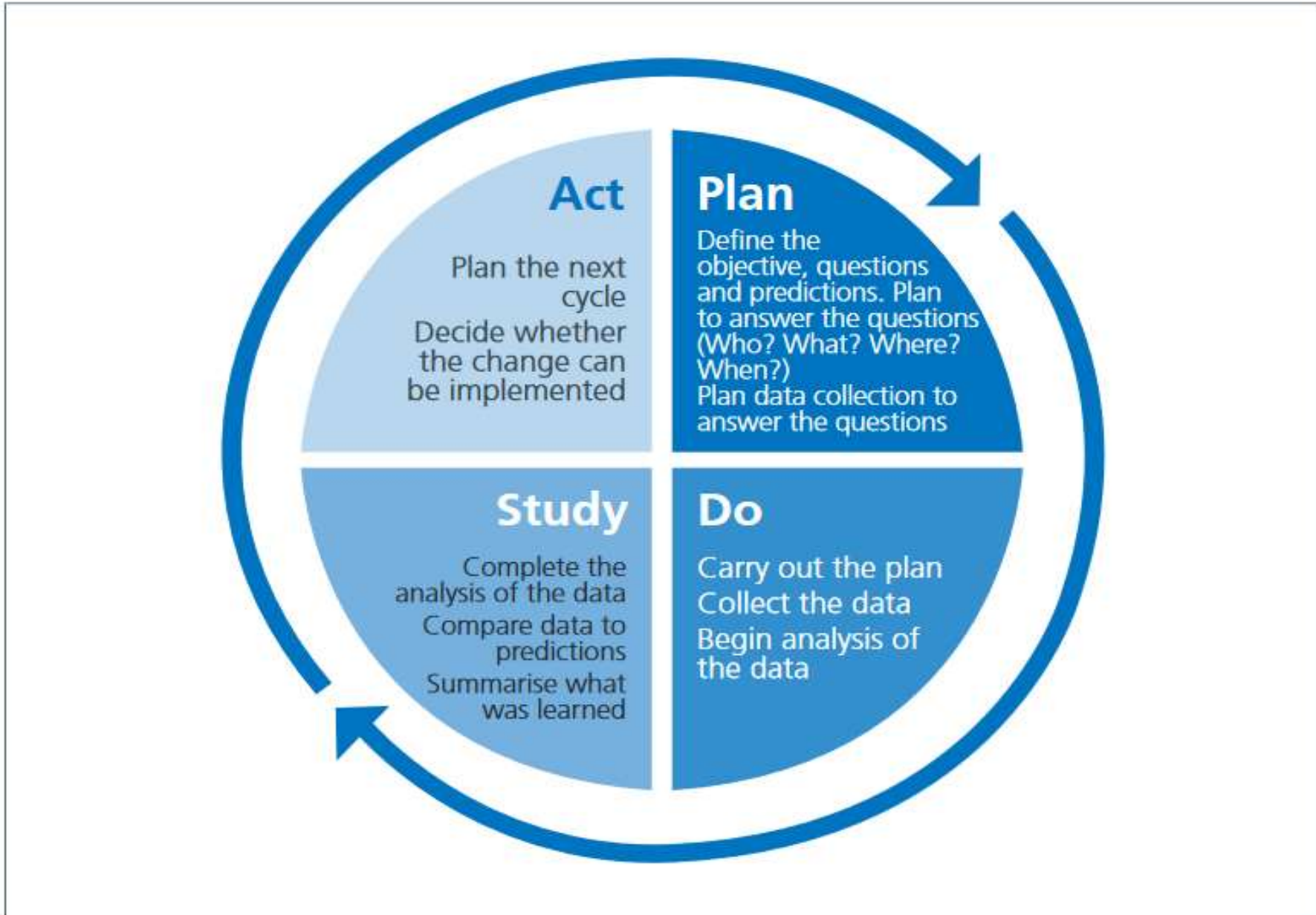


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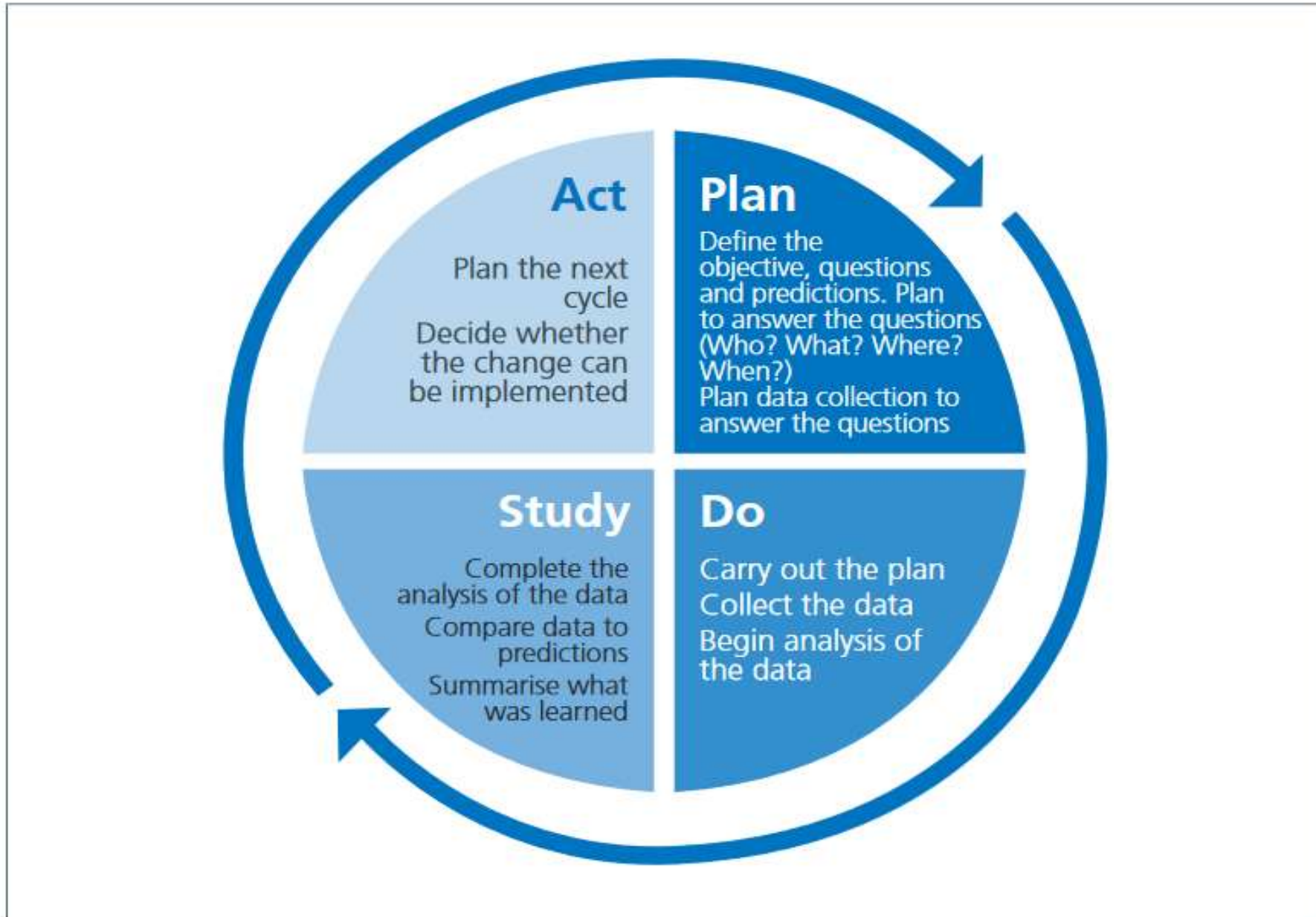
Figure 2: PDSA cycle



# Questions for the “Plan” Step

- ▶ What are we trying to accomplish?
- ▶ What specific changes will we make?
- ▶ How will we know that the change we implement will result in real improvement? (What can we observe/measure/count?)
  
- ▶ How long will the change take to implement?
- ▶ What resources will we need?
- ▶ What data will we collect?
- ▶ Map out action steps, individuals responsible and timeline

Figure 2: PDSA cycle



# Options for the “Act” Step

- ▶ ADAPT the change - modify the intervention and repeat the PDSA Cycle
- ▶ ADOPT the change - consider expanding to other areas, rotations, etc.
- ▶ ABANDON the change - change your intervention and repeat the PDSA Cycle

# SMART GOALS

- ▶ **SPECIFIC** - What will happen and how
- ▶ **MEASURABLE** - What can you observe, count or measure to let you know if you have achieved your goal
- ▶ **ACCOUNTABLE** - Who will be responsible?
  - ▶ **ACHIEVABLE** - What are your available resources?
- ▶ **RELEVANT** - Do they add value; Are they linked to your program aims?
- ▶ **TIME-BOUND** - By when?



Action Item 1: (state item/goal)

Link to Programs Aims:

<b>S</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>T</b>			
Specific Goal	Measure of Outcome	Accountable Person(s)	Relevance	Target Date	Actual Date	Years Continued	Status/Outcome(s)

# Action Item: Increase Scholarly Activity

<b>S</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>T</b>	
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Increase scholarly activity	Scholarly activity increased for faculty	Dr. _____	Very	July 2020	Progressing

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Specific Goal	Measure of Outcome	Accountable Person (s)	Relevance	Target/Actual completion Date	Status/Outcome(s)
Increase Faculty SA	50% increase in number of peer reviewed publications	Dr. _____		July 2022	
Increase Resident SA	Each resident has at least 1 peer reviewed publication by graduation	Dr. _____		July 2022	

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What specific changes will we make?

How will we know that the change we implement will result in real improvement?

How long will the change take to implement?

What data will we collect?

What specific steps and what timeline?

# Action Item: Improve Learning Climate

S	M	A	R	T	
<b>Specific Goal</b>	<b>Measure of Outcome</b>	<b>Accountable Person (s)</b>	<b>Relevance</b>	<b>Target/Actual completion Date</b>	<b>Status/Outcome (s)</b>
What will happen and how	What can you observe, count or measure to let you know if you have achieved your goal	Who will be responsible?	Do they add value; Are they linked to your program aims?	By when?	



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All PDs educated on attributes of positive learning climate	All PDs either attend training or receive written/video version	Dr. Broquet	PDs to role model and educate their faculty	6 months	Met
Adequately resource programs	Increased complement for Internal Medicine, Psychiatry, Peds	Dr. Broquet; Dr. Kruse	Excessive workflow inversely related to LC and well Being	2 years/3 years	Met
Improvement in resident survey results	All programs at or above national %ile in key LC items	Dr. Broquet; PDs	Tied to citations/ACGME standing	2 years/5 years	Met for institution. Met for 24/27 programs

# TIPS FOR GREAT APES/CONTINUOUS PROGRAM QUALITY IMPROVEMENT

- Create a succinct APE process
  - Utilize materials/templates in NI
  - When your APE is done, upload to NI as soon as possible - Great real time feedback on goals
  - Work with PC to list and gather materials to be reviewed at meeting - **STICK TO IT!**
- Develop a process to collect faculty and resident scholarly activity and QI projects
- Make sure any citation or comment from your RRC letter gets action plan
- If you have multiple goals carried from year to year...reassess your S (Specific Goal) and M (Measure of Outcome)

# TIPS FOR GREAT APES/CONTINUOUS PROGRAM QUALITY IMPROVEMENT

- ▶ Utilize faculty and residents as resources to achieve your SMART goals and mentor them
- ▶ Provide PDSA education to faculty and residents and encourage use
- ▶ Periodically review action items with PC and responsible faculty/residents and update progress on APE form...you don't have to wait until APE meeting to update
- ▶ Use your annual confidential evaluation of program by faculty and residents to gather input on goals and action items
- ▶ Address progress on important action items/goals in your annual WebADS Update (especially if tied to citation or concern)

# Self-Study Tidbits and Takeaways....

**Good APEs**

**Good Self-  
Study**

**Good Site  
Visit**

THANK YOU

**QUESTIONS?**

**Comments?**