**Me** first

### PDSA Logbook

#### PDSA (Plan, Do, Study, Act)

#### **Learning from experience**

PDSA cycles can be used to try-out a change in behaviour and assess its impact. Every time you finish a PDSA cycle you start a new one to try to improve on what you have done in the previous cycle. In this way it becomes a process of continuous learning and improvement.

Use this PDSA Log Book when you want to try something new to improve your communication with children or young people.

When you are studying how it went remember that learning from the changes that don't go well are often even more useful than the changes that work.

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Children and young people centred communication

# low do l know that you want to listen to me?

## Show me that you want to listen to me

- Introduce yourself to me first #Hellomynameis
- Give me an overview of the key steps of the conversation
- If my parents are with me
- Let me know that you want to hear from me first and then my parents so we all know that we will be heard
- Check whether I want to speak to you alone

# How do you know what is important to me?

## **Explore my views and preferences**

Ensure I understand the choices available

Help us all (you, me and my parents) to get a shared understanding of why I am here, my goals, and what

Why am I here?

/hat are my choices?

to me and their pros and cons

Share information with me about my options

Ask me about what I think could help Remember there are always choices

- Ask me
- what I think would work best for me and my life
- · about my beliefs or expectations about my health
- · if there is anything I'm worried or unsure about
- Find out my hopes, aims and goals as these will influence my choices
  - Discuss whether my choices will help me to achieve these goals

## Acknowledge and respond to my ideas, feelings, and values

Talk with me about the pros and cons of my different options

· Options about how things can happen

Explain to me why I am seeing you specifically and what your expertise is

Share information with me to help me to understand my health

Talk with me about why you think I'm here

condition or symptoms.

▲ Find out why I think I am here – ask me first and then my parents Ask me about all of my concerns, about my life and not just my

the problem is

Options about what can happen

# HAVE WE FOUND A WAY FORWARD TOGETHER?

## What decision have we made?

#### Help us all to reach a shared agreement on key problems, plans, and what is going to happen next

- Check that we all agree on what is going to happen
   Check that we all agree on how it will happen
   Check how able I feel to follow the plan
- Check when we will next review our decision together

### What will happen next?

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### Summarise the conversation, check our understanding, and help me to remember

- Summarise and check
- That we have covered everything
  - If I have any questions
- That I know what I need to do and look out for
- That I am clear about what to expect next, what to do if something differs from the agreed plan and how any changes will be communicated with me







#### Example PDSA cycle

#### Your scenario

Date

4

5

15

Freddie (12yr old boy) who I see in clinic doesn't engage in conversations during meetings and mum speaks a lot on Freddie's behalf. I want to hear more from Freddie and his thoughts on things during our meetings.

#### Plan

What one thing do I want to try?

- When I meet with Freddie on Friday I will make sure he is included in the conversations more.
- I will sit next to him so that I can look directly at him to show him I want to hear from him

#### Do

How did I do it?
What did I do if different from my plan?

 I sat next to Freddie during the meeting so I could look at him directly when asking questions.

#### Act

Given what I have learnt, what will I try next?

Next time, I will open the conversation by explaining that it is important for me to hear from Freddie and his mum. I will say something like "I will speak to Freddie first and then Mum you will get an opportunity to speak second". I hope this will reassure mum that she will also have time to talk.

#### Study

How did it go and what did I learn?



 Freddie spoke more than he has before which was great, but even though I was looking at Freddie and talking directly to him, his mum kept on answering for him.

















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