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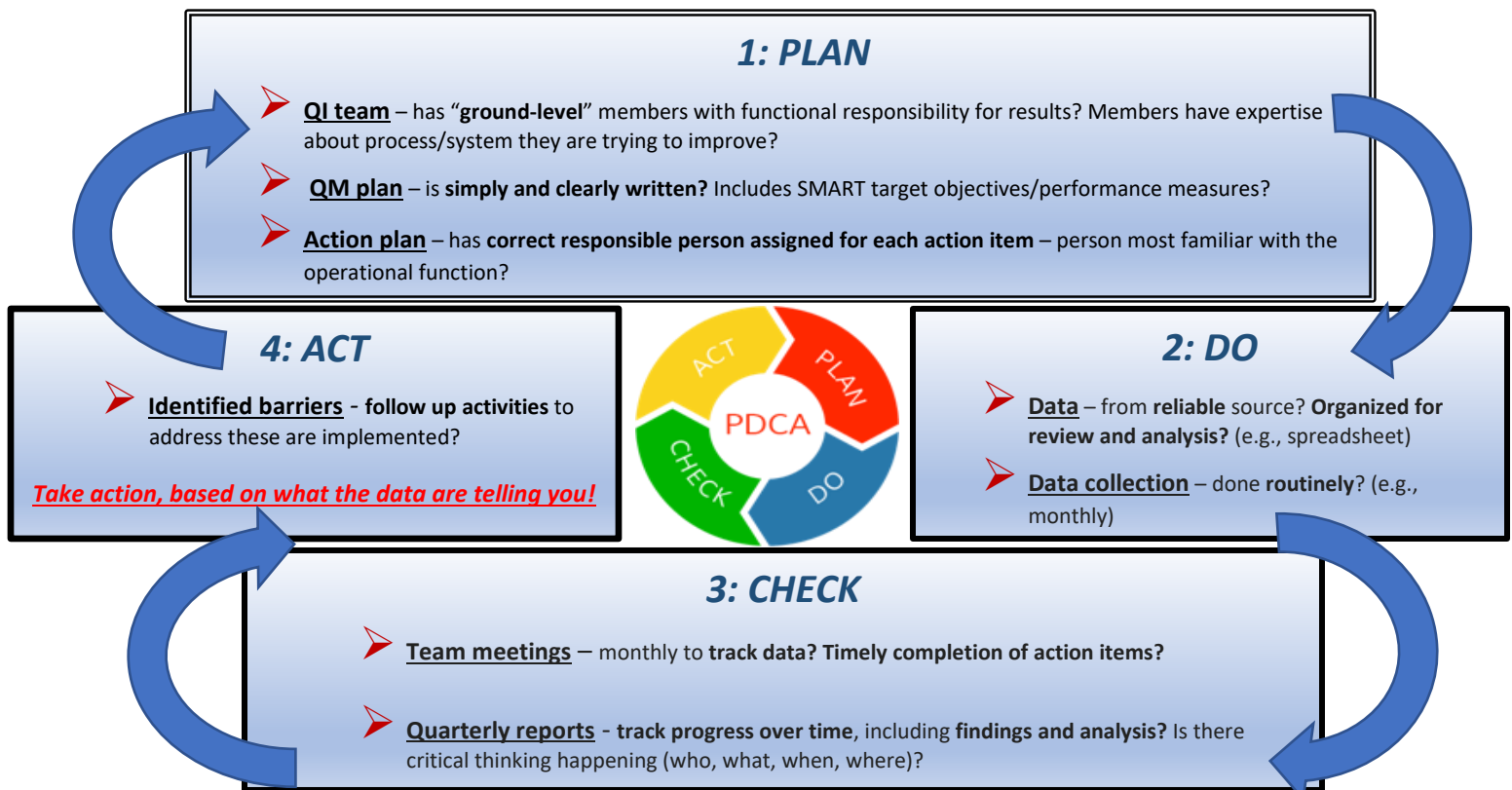
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The QM planning process involves implementation of the **Plan-Do-Check-Act (PDCA)** cycle. It is important that a QI team engage in each of these 4 steps to ensure success!

So...what happens when a QI team isn't seeing improvement after implementing a QM Plan?
Consider the following...



Q&A CORNER



Question: Can an entity develop a QM/Action plan using data that specifically targets compliance outcomes (e.g., to correct a regulatory compliance issue)?

Answer: Yes. However, an entity must **also** develop a QM plan using *person-centered performance data*.

Note: QA&I defines a person-centered QM plan as one that *specifically targets people outcomes, not compliance outcomes*. In other words, focuses on positive results for the people we serve instead of projects that focus on whether a box was checked. **Ask – How will this impact a person's quality of life?**