

### Quality Improvement vs Research Checklist

Please answer the following questions to help determine whether the proposed activity may be a QI project.

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Project Description	Yes	No
<u>Purpose</u> Is the activity intended to improve the process/delivery of care while decreasing inefficiencies within a specific health care setting?	*	*
<u>Scope</u> Is the activity intended to evaluate current practice and /or attempt to improve it based upon existing knowledge?	*	*
<u>Evidence</u> Is there sufficient existing evidence to support implementing this activity to create practice change?	*	*
<u>Clinicians/Staff</u> Is the activity conducted by clinicians and staff who provide care or are responsible for the practice change in the institutions where the activity will take place?	*	*
<u>Methods</u> Are the methods for the activity flexible and include approaches to evaluate rapid and incremental changes?	*	*
<u>Sample/Population</u> Will the activity involve a sample of the population (patients/participants) ordinarily seen in the institution where the activity will take place?	*	*
<u>Consent</u> Will the planned activity only require consent that is already obtained in clinical practice, and could the activity be considered part of the usual care?	*	*
<u>Benefits</u> Will future patients/participants at the institution where the planned activity will be implemented potentially benefit from the project?	*	*
<u>Risk</u> Is the risk to patients/participants no greater than what is involved in the care they are already receiving OR can participating in the activity be considered acceptable or ordinarily expected when practice changes are implemented within a health care environment?	*	*



If the answer to all of these questions is “YES” this study qualifies as a QI study.

If the answer to any of these questions is “NO” additional, information from the PI may be required to help determine if the project is QI.