

**PDSA Worksheet** **Template**

**Project Name: Drive-thru Swabbing**

**Cycle #: 3 (April 22, 2020)**

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| **Objective** |
| To increase efficiency of COVID-19 testing process as evidenced by increased testing capability, decreased PPE usage and decreased human resource requirements through the establishment of a ‘drive-thru’ swabbing model at Colchester East Hants Health Centre. |

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| **1. Plan:** Plan the test, including a plan for collecting data. | |
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| Staffing model will be 1 RN, and 2 LPNs from primary assessment clinic only (no staff from ED), 1 ward aide to be available as runner. Pre-triage function to be part of the PAC service. PAC bookings to be increased to 30/day. |
| The following measures will be collected/reported:   * Total patients (booked, referred, drive-in) * PPE counts * Total HR resources |

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| **2. Do: Run the test on a small scale.** | |
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| **3. Study: Analyze the results and compare them to your predictions.** | |
| X:\1-NSHA QI&S Documents\Quality Improvement Capacity Building\Resources\PDSA image.jpg | * Staffing model working well. * Pre-triage function in place 07 to 19, no longer supported by ED staff. * Time adequate for opening/closing of tent. * Referring some patients to respiratory clinic. * Additional pylons added for vehicle flow. * PPE usage analysis completed:   + PAC RECC vs PAC Drive Thru (10 hr day)     - Gowns: decreased 87% (75 -> 10)     - Gloves: decreased 50% (160 -> 80)     - Masks: decreased 67% (90 ->30)     - Eliminated roles of Security and Environmental Services |

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| **4. Act: Based on what you learned from the test, make a plan for your next step.** | |
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