

All Albany Children Ready School Readiness Pilot Project Failure Mode and Effect Analysis V.1.

NOTES:

- i. The following FMEA diagram shows how the stated process has potential/real failure modes--hypothetical situations that would lead to the process breaking down or overall failure of the project.
- ii. This tool allows us to better understand where potential failures may occur (bottom boxes) and help proactively prevent failure at each step in the process with a designed intervention (top boxes)
- iii. FMEA diagrams are typically validated with data after a process has had a chance to fully operationalize

Interventions

Additional reminders by Peds offices and/or MCP remind parents in timely manner

Peds office staff receives addtl. reimbursement for universal screening implementation

ASQ kits & questionnaire are provided to all providers

Questionnaire version (paper or electronic) is selected by site to have greatest chance of successful implementation into current workflow

Peds are trained to use cutoff score & develop familiarity with the tool

Process

Parent brings child to well-child visit

Parent completes ASQ during pediatric visit
*(*equipment needed if electronic)*

Screening scores/data capture is entered into the child's EMR

Pediatrician reviews scores and determines if referral is appropriate based on scores (below/at cutoff children only)

Failure Mode

Parent/families aren't reminded about well-child visits

Transportation issues impede execution

Work schedule conflicts with appointment times

Not all peds offices are using standardized tool

Not all peds office have the materials needed for ASQ completion

Peds aren't required to screen children

Paper copies of ASQ aren't compatible with EMR

Workload in pediatric office is too heavy, data entry doesn't happen in a timely manner

Tool doesn't get scored properly

Pediatrician isn't familiar with the tool, feels unprepared to make a decision based on its results

Pediatrician makes judgement call on development of child, instead of using cutoff score

Interventions

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Peds are provided with clear direction on referral procedure

Standardized forms are used at all provider sites

Routine schedule for information update to peds.

Standardized reporting documents are used across provider sites

Work with peds to ensure process isn't overwhelming to office workflow

Process

Pediatrician reviews scores with parent; provides parent with copy of the screen; discusses next steps*

Pediatrician gains parental release for data sharing btwn EI & Pediatrician & MCP (FERPA & HIPPA compliant)

Pediatrician executes referrals to SPOE if child <3y/o; or CPSE if child >3 y/o

MCP liaison receives screening data (daily)

Failure Mode

No photocopy availability in office

Ped doesn't have time to review scores with parent

Ped doesn't feel comfortable with how to talk to parent of child in need

Parent doesn't sign off

Parent is nervous about data sharing

Ped forgets to get parental release

Ped office workflow doesn't allow for timely referral to be made

Outdated/incorrect contact information for where referrals are placed

Ped office workflow doesn't allow for timely dissemination of information

Labor intensive process breeds resentment of new process

Interventions

Ensure the use of a standardized referral form
Communicate effectively with peds offices why full scope of information is needed

Use of online SPOE system eliminates errors being made; referral options become automated

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Process

SPOE inputs referral information into PeerPlace

Options for services generated based on data entry

Early Intervention accepts referral

Early Intervention service coordinator is assigned to family; visits family

Failure Mode

Incorrect information is entered
Not enough information exists for referral to be targeted

Referral agent makes a gut-instinct decision on what services would be best

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Short-term data feedback will clarify if lack of services exist

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Standardized reporting tool is implemented/used

New work stream is incorporated into existing capacity at EI

Process

Early Intervention service coordinator arranges for evaluation by approved evaluation team

If child is eligible based on eval, child/family moves into EI services

If child is ineligible for EI services, referral to community resources

Early Intervention creates feedback loop w/pediatrician and MCP liaison by 45 days

Failure Mode

Number of referrals becomes overwhelming to county; unable to keep up with influx

Level of need becomes too great given current service provider capacity

Not enough community services exist for non-EI eligible population

Cost of services dissuade family execution of referral

Workflow becomes overwhelming and information isn't fed back in a timely manner

Information is fed back in non-standardized and/or unhelpful way

Interventions

New process is embedded into current workflow/office capacity

Communication with peds office ensures understanding of why they are best as 1st outreach partner

MCP works closely with peds office to understand family dynamic and possible reasons why referral wasn't executed on

New process is embedded into current workflow/office capacity

Standardized reporting document is used across MCPs

Tool is piloted with a handful of providers first to ensure usefulness

Process

Pediatrician conducts 1st follow-up with family of referred child

MCP liaison follows up with parent/family if referral hasn't been executed by family

Pediatrician encourages well-child visits to parents to ensure 9, 18, and 30 month screens are completed

MCP liaison quarterly reports on screening/referrals/services to pediatricians (aggregated, not patient-level)

Failure Mode

Ped office workflow is unable to accommodate this new task/is overwhelmed

Labor intensive process breeds resentment of new process

Family doesn't know MCP liaison, doesn't feel a connection

Family does not respond

Contact information outdated

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Data is inactionable

Not enough data

Sites don't see value in the report