

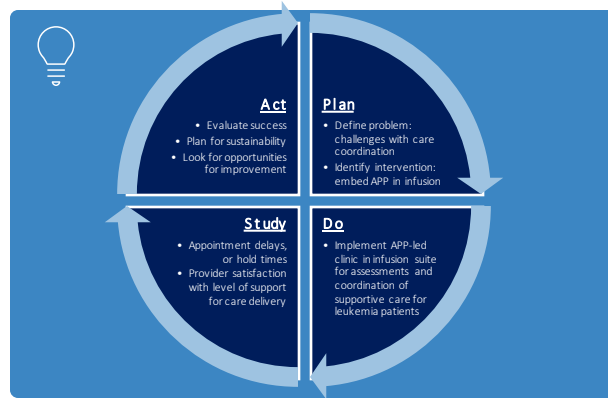
Improving Care Coordination for Cancer Patients with an Advanced Practice Provider-Led Service Embedded in the Infusion Suite

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Addressing the complex needs of patients with cancer in the ambulatory setting has become an operational challenge, especially for leukemia patients

- Frequent infusion suite visits due to treatments and transfusion/supportive care dependency
- Patients do not always have formal visits with a provider prior to an infusion appointment
- Difficulty anticipating supportive care needs and coordinating that care before the point of service at the infusion suite, leading to delays



100% of participating providers reported they now felt they had adequate support for their patients

Provider perception of experiencing frequent interruptions with questions from the infusion suite decreased from 66% to 20% for participating providers



Embedding an APP-led service in the infusion suite was successful in improving care coordination for leukemia patients receiving treatment in the suite, as well as improving the primary oncology teams' perception of support in caring for these patients

- Model could easily be replicated by other disease teams where patients receiving in fusion care may benefit from additional management
- Opportunities for APP-led model to facilitate transitions from inpatient cancer care to outpatient cancer care

