

# core *data set*

## Using your core data set

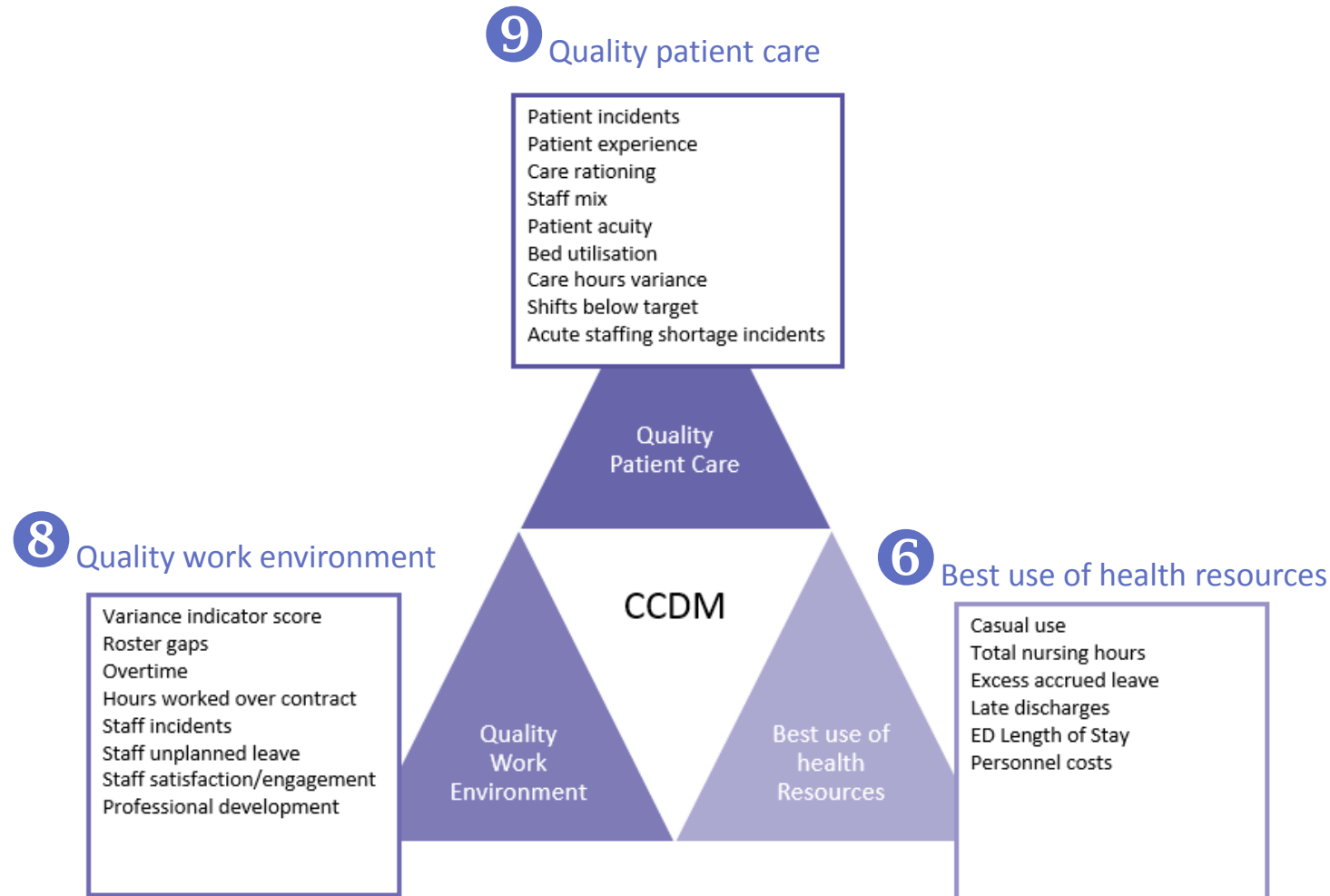
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# Session outline

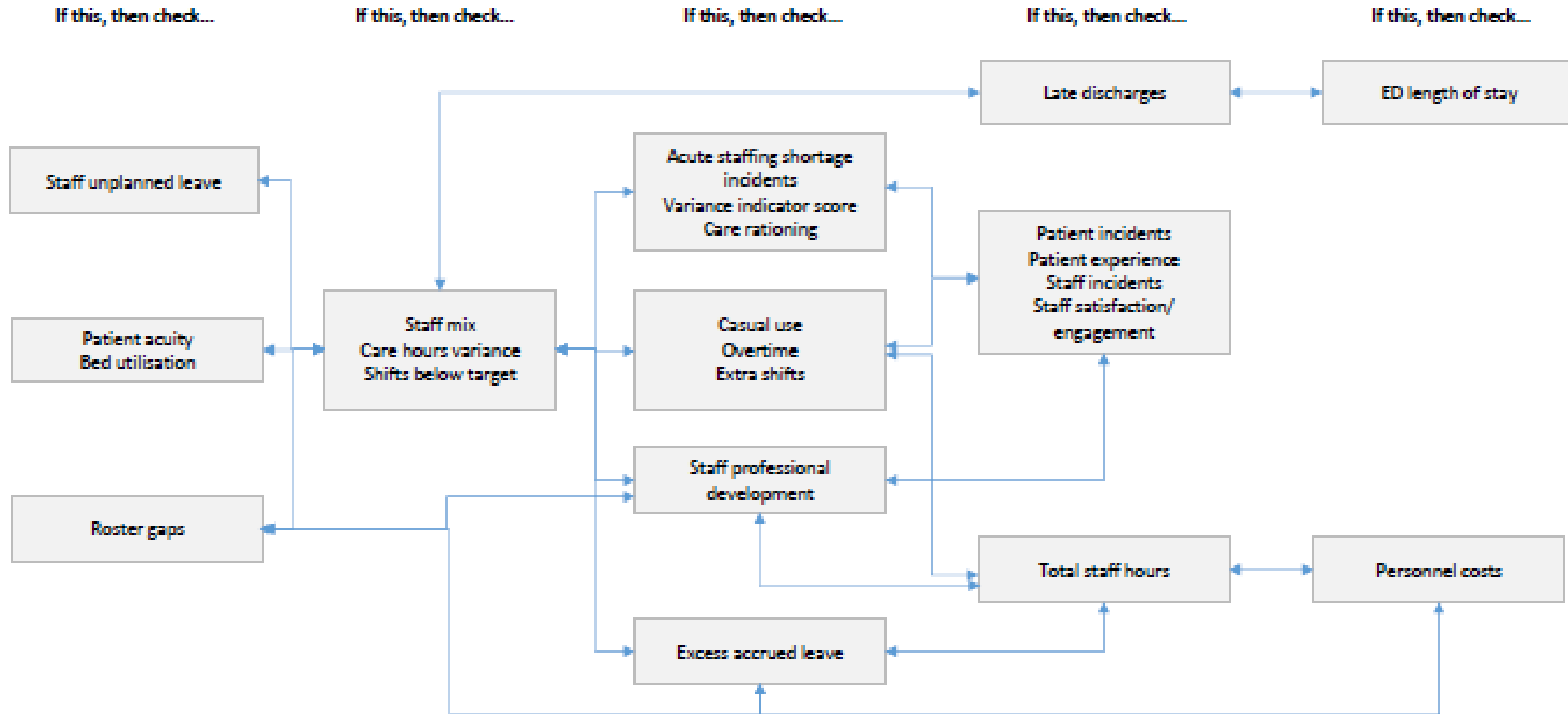
- What is a core data set?
- How do you connect the measures?
- How do you improve?
- What is a chart?
- How do you read a chart?
- What does your data look like?

# What is the core data set?

This diagram shows how the 23 measures are balanced around the CCDM triangle.



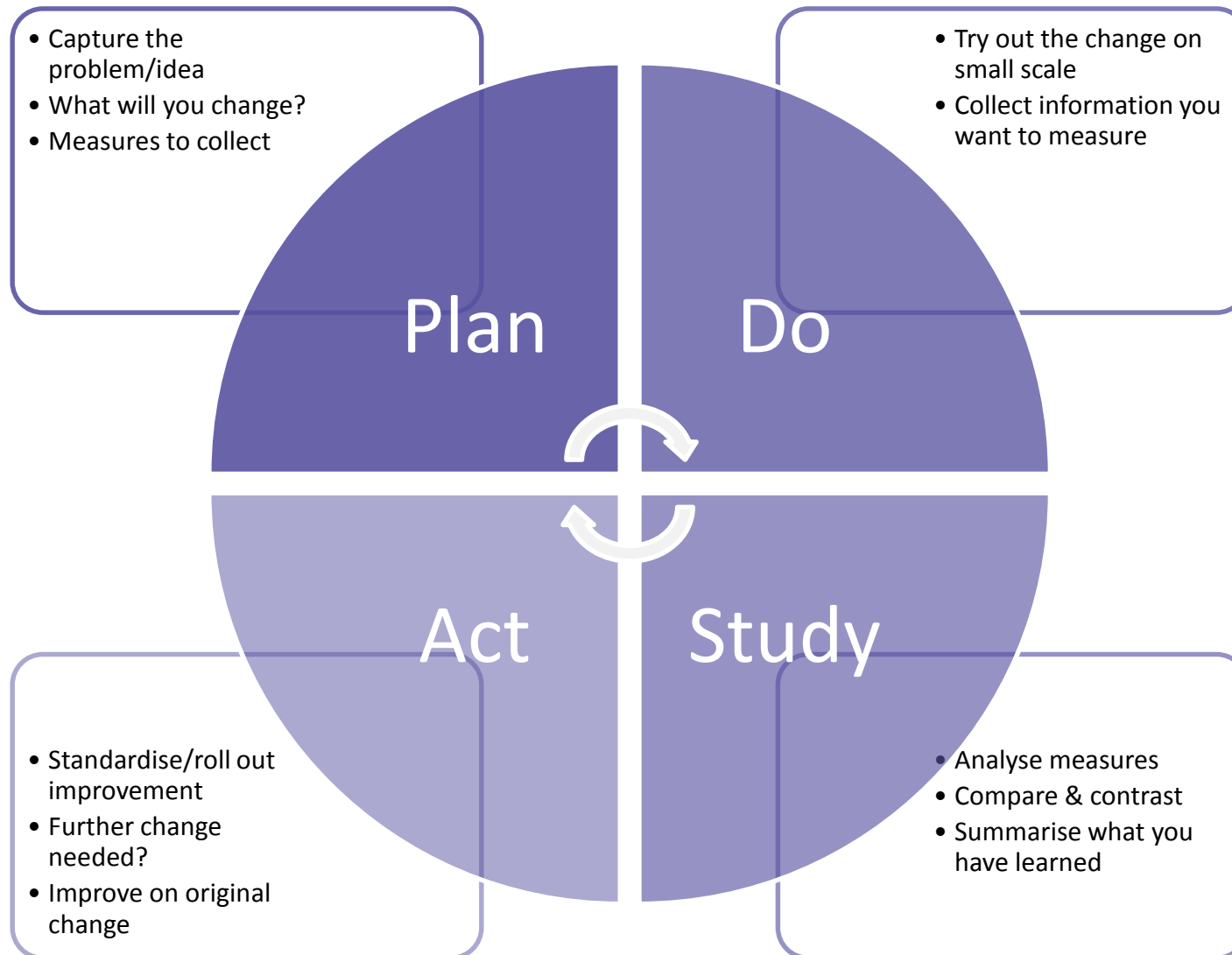
# How do you connect the measures?



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Likely impact

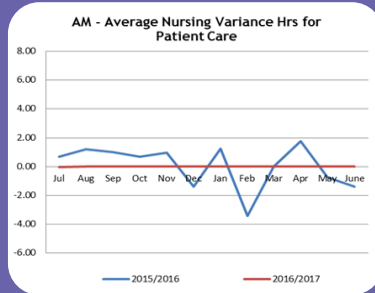
# How do you improve?



# What is a chart?

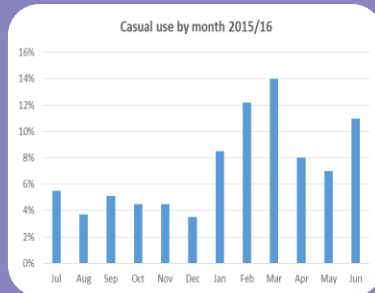
- A chart (also called graph) is a visual representation of data
- Charts can be used to
  - Show research findings
  - Tell a story
  - Support an argument or point of view
- Charts are the first step in identifying trends, data entry errors and outliers
- Charts can start a conversation and help people make decisions

# Are there different types of charts?



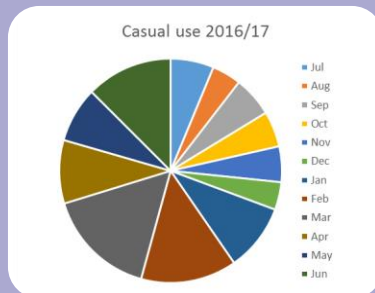
## Line chart

- Separate data points connected together to form a line
- Show increases and decreases, trends over time



## Bar chart

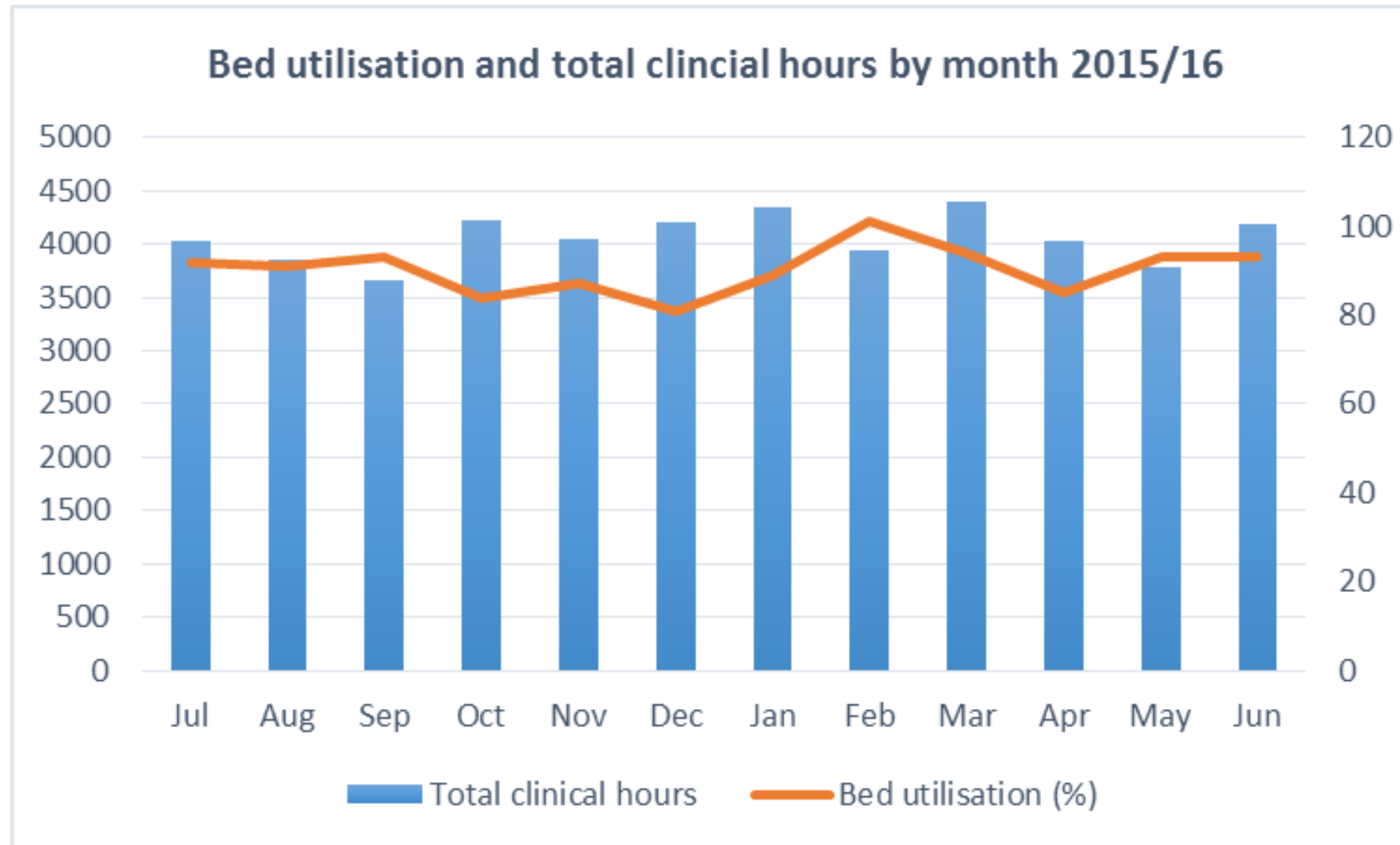
- Each data point is displayed as a separate bar
- The taller the bar the larger the data point
- Touching bars show continuous data e.g. temperature



## Pie chart

- Data is displayed in a circle
- Each data point is compared as part of a whole. The larger the slice the higher the percentage
- Gives an immediate idea of relative size

# How do you read a chart?





# How do you read a chart?

	Steps	Questions
What	<b>1. Describe what you see</b>	<p>What type of charts is it?</p> <p>What is the chart title?</p> <p>What data is the x and y axis showing?</p> <p>How is the information organised? By year, date, time, highest to lowest, alphabetical and so on?</p>
So what	<b>2. Identify patterns, relationships or meaning</b>	<p>What story does the chart tell you?</p> <p>Are there relationships between the data points/sets?</p> <p>Are there similarities, differences or trends?</p> <p>How does the data compare to averages, control limits or targets?</p> <p>How does the data compare with what you know?</p> <p>Are there relationships with other charts (if this, then check)?</p> <p>What does the chart not tell you? Do you need more information?</p>
Now what	<b>3. Identify opportunities for improvement</b>	<p>What are the implications?</p> <p>What can you conclude?</p> <p>What can you improve on?</p>

# What about your data?

- Choose one chart
- Describe what you see
- Identify patterns
- Connect to other measures
- Identify opportunities for improvement



- Next workshop: Core data set improving and reporting