

Tool-Storyboard Guidance

Purpose

Storyboards are a visual method for displaying a story. Use them to share your successes, challenges, and other lessons learned.

The storyboards should summarize your school wellness team's one or two proudest achievements this year. **Focus on achievements, which have or will lead directly to the overall aims of creating sustainable school policies and system changes to improve the culture of health.**

A storyboard typically has several functions:

- Serves as an on-going record of a team's progress
- Documents and shares...
 - Steps that were taken to implement project
 - Lessons learned/best practices
 - Demonstrated and potential impact
- Develops as the project is being conducted
- Guides the future work of the improvement team

Formats

Storyboards can be developed using a variety of mediums, including:

- Video
- PowerPoint presentation
- Prezi

Presentation of Storyboards

Consider including the impact of school wellness efforts for each the following audiences and entities:

- Students
- School Staff
- Community (this includes the school and greater community)
- Clinic

Keep your storyboard presentation to 8 to10 minutes (9-12 slides) in length.

Storyboard Components

The storyboard should include information on the following four components. Each component includes a series of questions to help you formulate and depict the content to be shared through the storyboard.

1. Describe a sustainable school policy and system change you are working towards

What policies or system changes were you hoping to achieve? What were some issues you identified within the SBHC and school environment? What is the context of the problem/why is this problem significant (think about the larger impact of social determinants of health)? What role will/did your SBHC/school wellness team play in addressing these problems?

2. Development of strategies to address the situation

What strategies /steps are you implementing to get towards this policy/system change? What approaches took place to address the issue? Who helped implement these strategies? Provide a summary of the strategies your SBHC/school wellness team developed to help reach your objectives. Include a listing of the multi-disciplinary team that was involved in achieving improvement; this can be enhanced by a group picture with names and positions listed below.

3. Analysis and evaluation of the interventions

What did you try? What are the results of the approaches that took place? What worked? What will be sustained? What are the next steps?

4. Overarching lessons learned to date

What did you learn from the process? What worked? What did not work? What has been your greatest success? What have been your greatest obstacles? How have your school-wide wellness efforts help expand or enhance existing efforts in the school? How did you use school-wide wellness efforts to introduce new policy changes? What have been the most significant changes in the SBHC's practice, role, and/or involvement related to the identified problems?

Tips for Developing Storyboards

Below are some general tips to consider in the development of storyboards:

- Be as succinct as possible. Include only critical information.
- Design for ease of comprehension and readability.
- Make the purpose of the project readily apparentⁱ.
- Avoid jargon when possible.
- Include visuals, such as photos or other graphics.
- Display the data used throughout the process.
- Outline conclusions based upon data (qualitative or quantitative)ⁱ.
- Present plans for sustaining the improvement or making adjustments if changes were not made.

Tips for Preparing and Presenting Improvement Stories *(adapted from the Institute for Healthcare Improvement)ⁱ.*

Advisors at the Institute for Healthcare Improvement developed the following recommendations for creating storyboards that demonstrate quality improvement projects in health care. Storyboards should include the following:

- A clearly defined aim statement with an expected change in outcome indicator and time to expected change in the outcome indicator.
- An outline of your project design/strategy to explain how you will reach your aim.
- An explanation of the changes made.
- A listing of the multi-disciplinary team that was involved in achieving improvement (elements may include: content experts, patients, leadership, etc.)
- A short summary of the lessons learned from the work and/or the message for the audience.

ⁱ Documentation Tools: Storyboards, 2004. Institute for Healthcare Innovation Web Site.

<http://www.ihc.org/resources/Pages/Tools/Storyboards.aspx>. Updated 2018. Accessed March 13, 2018.