Correct vs. Incorrect PDSAs

Sometimes figuring out what a correct PDSA is can be tricky. PDSA's are meant to test Change Concepts which are detailed extensions of the three overlying principles of this Learning Collaborative. PDSA help to implement change at your site through small, rapid tests that are easily manageable.

The table below shows some examples of correct PDSA and some items that are not technically PDSA. It's important to point out that even though something is not a PDSA, you should still be actively seeking ways to complete it. We want to know about activities you do outside of the PDSA's. The best way to give your team credit for this is to fill out the Monthly Report Template.

Correct PDSA's

- Test script for front desk staff
- Test script for providers and nurses to use while introducing Treat-to-Target
- Test using different Disease Activity Measures (DAM)
- Test who calculates and records the DAM into the EMR
- Test different EPIC dot phrases
- Test goal sheets with patients to elicite treatment targets and engage in shared decision making

Not PDSA's

- Scheduling and attending team meetings
- Staff education activities
- Rotating monthly chart review responsibility
- Participating on the SharePoint Discussion Board
- Setting up the EPIC dot phrase with IT
- Completing the team Self-Assessment
- Handing out the patient surveys