Barrier Buster Tool

We have developed this abbreviated 14-item measure that assesses constructs that are most commonly associated with outcomes within our own implementation work. Our goal with this tool was to create a way to assess a selected number of CFIR constructs using everyday language. We used a "think aloud" process with users to refine wording and items.

This tool is designed to help teams identify barriers and facilitators at various points throughout the implementation process. The Barrier Buster Tool focuses on implementation constructs commonly present in successful implementations. Anticipating potential barriers allows teams to strategize ways to overcome, minimize, or bypass them. Identifying facilitators allows teams to strategize ways to maximize their effects. You may consider using this tool during the initial planning phase and again mid-implementation. We've found that it's best to think concretely about a planned or on-going implementation (as opposed to the more general implementation environment).

Improvement to consider (include the specifics of the implementation/improvement project here):

		Indicate your agreement with this statement: 1 – DISAGREE : This means the item is a potential barrier	This barrier will have	What is the likely effect of this barrier/facilitator on your ability to implement the improvement? 0 – Weak/no effect 1 – Strong effect
		2 – Neutral	٢	
		3 – AGREE: This means the item is a potential facilitator	This facilitator will have	0 – Weak/no effect 1 – Strong effect
1.	People here regularly seek to understand the needs			
	of patients and make changes to better meet those			
	NEEdS. (Patient Needs & Resources)			
2.	I have open lines of communication with everyone			
	needed to make the change. (Networks &			
	Communications)			

2	I have access to data to help track changes in	
5.		
	OUTCOMES. (Reflecting & Evaluating)	
4.	The change is aligned with leadership goals. (Goals & Feedback)	
5.	The change is aligned with clinician values. (Compatibility)	
6.	The change is compatible with existing clinical	
	processes. (Compatibility)	
7.	The structures and policies in place here enable us	
	to make the change. (Structural Characteristics)	
8.	We have sufficient space to accommodate the	
	change. (Available Resources)	
9.	We have sufficient time dedicated to make the	
	change. (Available Resources)	
10.	We have other needed resources to make the	
	change (staff, money, supplies, etc.). (Available Resources)	
11.	People here see the current situation as intolerable	
	and that the change is needed. (Tension for Change)	
12.	People here see the advantage of implementing	
	this change versus an alternative change. (Relative Advantage)	
13.	Higher level leaders are committed, involved, and	
	accountable for the planned improvement. (Leadership Engagement)	
14.	Leaders I work with most closely are committed,	
	involved, and accountable for the planned	
	improvement. (Leadership Engagement)	

Additional notes/thoughts/details: