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| **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY - 5 points max*****The executive summary must provide project description, goal, improvement strategy, results and lessons learned.*** |

(**The executive summary must not exceed two pages.** These pages do not count in the application narrative total number of pages.)

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| ***NOTE:*** *Content from the Executive Summary will appear in the Compendium if your application is deemed eligible by receiving at least 75 points. Please write concise, print-ready copy in this section.***Project Description:** Type here.**Project Goal:** Type here.**Improvement Strategy:** Type here.**Results:** Type here.**Lessons Learned:** Type here. |

APPLICATION
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|  **APPLICATION INFORMATION** |
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| Application Category: | Choose an item. |
| Award Category:  | Choose an item. |
| Project Scope: | Choose an item. |

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| **Triple Aim Alignment – 10 points max (if judges award bonus points)*****Please check all that apply and describe the alignment in the open text field provided.*** |

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|[ ]  Improved Population Health - improvements address an entire population with at least one shared characteristic that contributes to health behaviors or health outcomes. |
|[ ]  Improved Experience of Care - improvements address improved patient outcomes and experience of care. |
|[ ]  Lower Cost per Capita or Increased Value - reduced costs, penalties or increased value of care. |
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| **NAM Six Aims Alignment - 10 points max*****Please check all that apply and describe the alignment in the open text field provided.*** |

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|[ ]  Safe - Care should be as safe for patients in health care facilities as in their homes. |
|[ ]  Timely - Patients should experience no wait or delay in receiving care and services. |
|[ ]  Effective - The science and evidence behind health care should be applied and serve as the standard in the delivery of care. |
|[ ]  Efficient - Care and service should be cost effective, and waste should be removed from the system. |
|[ ]  Equitable - Unequal treatment should be a fact of the past; disparities in care should be eradicated. |
|[ ]  Patient-Centered - The system of care should revolve around the patient, respect patient preferences and put the patient in control. |
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| **Problem Statement (supported by data) - 5 points max*****Please describe the following in the open text field provided.*** |

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| * the relevant health care problem identified
* why this health care problem was selected for improvement over other identified problems
* the data to support this finding as a priority area of improvement
* how this problem links to the hospital strategy
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| **Project Goal - 5 points max*****Please describe the following in the open text field provided.*** |

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| * the specific goal(s) developed for this project
* the specific measurements developed to track improvement in the process and outcomes
* the specific data sources and time period used to measure change
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| **Strategy to Improve - 15 points max*****Please describe the following in the open text field provided.*** |

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| * a detailed description of the strategy and plan for this improvement project
* the specific improvement interventions implemented specifically for this project
* scholarly knowledge used to support the strategy and plan
* the timeline of implementation and ongoing evaluation
* the pace of change
* the location(s) for this improvement project (one unit, all units, community-based, etc.) and why this location was selected
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| **Methodology Used for Improvement and Evaluation of Progress - 10 points max*****Please describe the following in the open text field provided.*** |

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| * the specific methodology and/or framework used to develop and implement the improvement project
* the specific tools used to implement the improvement project
* the communication strategies used to disseminate knowledge and encourage change
* the change management strategies used to motivate and support change
* strategies to hard-wire new processes
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| **Engagement of Leaders and External Stakeholders - 10 points max*****Please describe the following in the open text field provided.*** |

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| * specific actions that demonstrate leadership engagement
* specific actions that demonstrate external stakeholder engagement, if appropriate
* communication strategies that demonstrate ongoing executive support
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| **Results - 20 points max*****Please describe the following in the open text field provided. Please note: one, five-page supplemental document in Word, Excel or PDF format may be submitted with the application to support this section; tables and graphics are encouraged.*** |

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| * describe the specific results achieved
* include the time period for which results are noted
* align the results with the specific project goal(s)
* align the results with the specific Triple Aim principles and NAM Aims aligned with the improvement project
* support your results with data, including pilot and sampling data
* show drilled-down data to reflect specific unit of analysis changes based on setting, condition or other variables - unbundle the data
* compare your results with national, state or other recognized benchmarks, targets or evidence-based practices
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| **Sustainability of Resources and Results - 10 points max*****Please describe the following in the open text field provided.*** |

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| * the strategy to sustain and improve on, or further expand, the results of this project
* resource allocation to support sustainability
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| **Lessons Learned - 5 points max*****Please describe the following in the open text field provided.*** |

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| * the most significant positive lesson learned as a result of this improvement project - how will you build on this success
* the most significant challenge identified as a result of this improvement project - how did you address or mitigate this challenge
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GLOSSARY OF TERMS

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APPENDIX
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