

EQUIP WORKING GROUP ON STRUCTURED SMALL GROUP WORK: QUALITY CIRCLES



Key Results in 2018-2019

Background: *What have quality circles done?*

Rohrbasser, A., et al. (2018). "Quality circles for quality improvement in primary health care: Their origins, spread, effectiveness and lacunae– A scoping review." PLoS One **13**(12): e0202616.

Rohrbasser, A., Kirk B., Arvidsson, E.(2019). "Use of quality circles for primary care providers in 24 European countries: an online survey of European Society for Quality and Safety in family practice delegates." Scandinavian Journal of Primary Health Care: 1-10.

Programme Theory: *How do they work?*

Rohrbasser, A., et al. (2017). Collaborative Quality Improvement in General Practice Clusters. Briefing Papers. S. S. o. P. Care. Glasgow, Scottish School of Primary Care. **12**: 7.

Martin, Y., Rohrbasser, A. (2019). "Offering patients a choice for colorectal cancer screening: a quality improvement pilot study in a quality circle of primary care physicians." BMJ Open Quality **8**(4): e000670.

My Best Moment in 2018-2019

To finally put all the thoughts on a piece of paper and hand it in for publication

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Objectives for 2019-2020

- Answer the question ‘**why do they work?**’ and publish the programme theory.
- Answer the question ‘**so what?**’

Recommendations for policy makers, tutors and facilitators with the help of the working group: *COOKBOOK* (in the shape of an ePDF).

Spread the use of quality circles using appropriate methods (programme theory: different projects serve as models)

- *‘Offering patients a choice for colorectal cancer screening’ (participative approach)*
- *Strategy on Antibiotic Resistance Switzerland (StAR) (participative approach)*

Expected Results for 2020-2021

- 2020: Publication of the programme theory
- 2021: Development of the first draft of the cookbook

