## **APPENDICES**

Supplemental Table 1. Adapted rating scale for QI progress.

U	Assessment	IHI Definition	Adapted Definition
Rating 0.5	Intending to	Team has signed up to participate in the collaborative	Hospital agrees to participate in the QI initiative
	participate		
1.0	Team forming	Team has been formed	Team formed
		Target population identified	Leader identified
		Aim determined	
		Baseline measurement begun	
1.5	Planning for the	Team is meeting	Aim finalized
	project has	Discussion is occurring	If supplemental measurement required, baseline
	begun	Plans for the project have been made	measurement begun <sup>1</sup>
	_		Target barrier(s) identified
2.0	Activity, but no	Team actively engaged in development, research, discussion	Change selected for testing
	changes tested	No changes have been tested	Key measures selected and are aligned with the aim
			Small scale test for feasibility planned
2.5	Changes tested	Components of the model being tested but no improvement in	Small scale test of change implemented
	on a small scale	measures	Data on key measures collected and analyzed
		Data on key measures are reported	Change adapted, adopted or abandoned
3.0	Changes tested	Initial test cycles have been completed and implementation begun for	Large scale test of change planned and implemented
	on a large scale	several components	Data on key measures collected and analyzed
	_	Evidence of moderate improvement in process measures	Change adapted, adopted or abandoned <sup>2</sup>
3.5	Modest	Some improvement in outcome measures Process measures	Improvement in process or outcome measures after
	improvement	continuing to improve	adopting one large scale test of change <sup>3</sup>
	•	PDSA test cycles on all components of the Change Package	
		Changes implemented for many components of the Change Package	
4.0	Significant	Most components of the Change Package are implemented for the	Improvement in process or outcome measures after
	improvement	population of focus Evidence of sustained improvement in outcome	adopting at least two large scale tests <sup>3</sup>
	•	measures	, 3
		Halfway toward accomplishing all of the goals Plans for spread of the	
		improvement are in place	
4.5	Sustainable	Sustained improvement in most outcomes measures	Plans to make changes part of hospital routine are
	improvement	75% of goals achieved	developed
	• •	Spread to a larger population has begun	•

5.0	Outstanding	All components of the Change Package implemented	All successful changes have been institutionalized		
	sustainable				
	results	national benchmark levels			
		Spread to another facility is underway			
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Supplemental measurement for understanding of the baseline may be required if a process or outcome chosen for improvement is not included in the key indicators being measured for the EQII, or the team suspects the medical chart data is erroneous. If the aim depends on the collection of additional, baseline data outside of the EQII, then this measurement has begun.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>If the test of change is abandoned, the team may return to an earlier step to plan another test. The team will not progress to progress rating 3.5 until a large scale change results in improvement.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Improvement as defined by the run chart rules described in Step 5 of the QI Guide i.e. a shift or trend in the data.

Supplemental Table 2. QI initiative case studies.

Hospital	QI Team Members (n)	Meeting Frequency	QI Project	Changes	Improvement (Yes/No)	QI Progress Rating
Virtual M	lentorship					
Н	7	Q2 weeks	Cord Clamping After One Minute	<ol> <li>Educate staff</li> <li>Reorganize the process (integrate into management of third stage of labor)</li> </ol>	No	3.0
G	12	Q2 weeks	Temperature Measurement	1) Acquire supplies (thermometers)	No	3.0
D	8	Q1 week	Hypothermia	Acquire supplies (thermometers)     Motivate staff	No	3.0
E	5	Q1 week	Skin to Skin	1) Motivate staff	No	3.0
Α	6	Q2 weeks	Skin to Skin	Educate staff (newly hired)     Educate mothers (at antenatal visit)	No	3.0
В	5	Q1 week	Skin to Skin	1) Reorganize the process	Yes	3.5
ı	5	Q2 weeks	Skin to Skin	1) Evaluate performance (of individual staff)	Yes	3.5
F	6	Q2 weeks	Skin to Skin	1) Educate staff 2) Educate mothers (at antenatal visit)	Yes	4.0
С	5	Unknown	Skin to Skin	1) Educate staff 2) Reorganize the process (prepare towels during second stage of labor) 3) Reorganize the process (perform essential newborn care on mother's abdomen) 4) Other (keep room warm)	Yes	4.0
In Person	Mentorship					
J	8	Q2 weeks	Skin to Skin	1) Educate staff 2) Other (institute close monitoring of newborn during skin to skin)	No	3.0
R	5	Q3 weeks	Skin to Skin	1) Educate staff	Yes	3.5
К	6	Q1 week	Temperature Measurement	Acquire supplies (thermometers)     Reorganize the process (place essential newborn care supplies at bedside)	Yes	4.0
M	7	Q1 week	Temperature Measurement	1) Educate staff 2) Acquire supplies (thermometers)	Yes	4.0
N	5	Q2 weeks	Temperature Measurement	Acquire supplies (thermometers)     Motivate staff	Yes	4.0
Р	6	Q1 week	Skin to Skin	1) Educate staff 2) Motivate staff	Yes	4.0

0	4	Q1 week	Skin to Skin	1) Educate staff	Yes	4.0
				2) Educate mothers (in the delivery ward)		
				3) Other (prepare clean/safe environment)		
Q	7	Q2-4 weeks	Temperature	1) Educate staff	Yes	4.5
			Measurement	2) Acquire supplies (thermometer)		
				3) Other (add column to newborn register for documentation)		
L	6	Q2 weeks	Hand Washing	1) Educate staff	Yes <sup>1</sup>	4.5
				2) Acquire supplies (sink in delivery ward)		
				3) Acquire supplies (soap, towels)		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Data collected independently by the team, outside of key indicators for the initiative

Supplemental Table 3. Contextual Factors as Identified by MUSIQ

	Respondents	MUSIQ Domain Score  Median (IQR)					
Hospital	(N)						
	(14)	QI Team	Delivery Room	Support	Hospital	Environment	
Α	5	5 (4-6)	5.5 (5-6.5)	4 (2-6)	5 (2-6)	6 (3-6)	
В	5	6 (6-6)	6 (5-6)	6 (5.5-7)	6 (6-6)	6 (6-6)	
С	3	6 (5-6)	6 (5-6)	5.5 (3.5-6)	2 (2-5)	6 (1-6)	
D	5	5 (4-5)	4.5 (4-5)	3.5 (2-4)	3 (2-5)	4 (2-5)	
E	5	5 (5-6)	5 (4-5.5)	4 (1.5-5.5)	5 (3-5)	4 (3-6)	
F	5	4 (3-5)	5 (4.5-5)	4 (3-5)	5 (3-5)	5 (3-5)	
G	4	6 (6-6)	6.25 (5-7)	3.25 (3-4)	4 (2-5)	4 (1-6)	
Н	5	6 (4-7)	5 (4-6)	5 (4-5.5)	5 (4-7)	5 (2-6)	
1	6	6 (5.5-6)	5.75 (4.5-6)	3.5 (3-5.5)	5 (2-5.5)	6 (5-6)	
J	3	5 (5-6)	6 (5.5-7)	5 (3.5-5.5)	7 (4.5-7)	5 (5-7)	
К	5	6 (6-6)	5 (5-6.5)	5 (3.5-5.5)	6 (5-6)	5 (5-6)	
L	3	5 (2-7)	4 (1-5.5)	4 (2.5-6)	3.5 (2-6)	5 (4-6)	
М	5	6 (5-6)	6 (6-7)	5 (3-7)	5 (3-6)	5 (1-5)	
N	3	6 (5-6)	6 (5.5-6)	6 (5.5-6)	6 (5-6)	6 (6-6)	
0	6	6 (5-7)	6 (6-7)	5.75 (4-6)	6.5 (6-7)	6.5 (4-7)	
Р	3	6 (5.5-7)	6 (5-7)	6.5 (4-7)	5 (5-7)	7 (4-7)	
Q	3	5.5 (5-6)	5.5 (5.5-6.5)	4 (3.5-6.5)	5 (5-5)	5 (4-7)	
R	2	5.25 (5-5.5)	4.75 (4.5-5)	5 (4-6)	2.25 (2-2.5)	3 (1-5)	
Entire Cohort	76	6	5.5	5	5	5	

Note: Domain scores represent the median score (range) for all survey questions in that domain. Numeric scores correspond to the following Likert Scale responses: 7=totally agree; 6=agree; 5=somewhat agree; 4=neither agree nor disagree; 3=somewhat disagree; 1=totally disagree.