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SMART Goals

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Specific Measurable Achievable Relevant Time-Bound

Specific





minutiae, particulars, inside information, knowledge, dope, specification, information, facts, data



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- What is the objective?
- Who is the owner?
- What are the steps to reach the objective?

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"S" actions may include:

Oversee	Update	Write
Coordinate	Upgrade	Process
Supervise	Develop	Provide
Manage	Create	Maintain
Plan	Implement	Reconcile
Support	Evaluate	Direct
Transition	Produce	Administer

NOTE: Does not include "improve", "reduce", or "increase"

Measurable





measure, evaluate, gauge,
assess, compute, appraise, rate,
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- Numbers
- Trackable
- Benchmarked (if possible)

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"HA-CDI is a significant problem at our hospital and is linked to inappropriate broad-spectrum antimicrobial use. The ASP will develop a new empiric antimicrobial order set that reduces carbapenem use. The goal is a 50% reduction in carbapenem orders in FY2022."

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Achievable



Realistic!



pragmatic, practical, lifelike, down-to-earth, sober, graphic, naturalistic, rational, matter-of-fact, true



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- Within reach
- Reality check proofed
- Focused

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"HA-CDI is a significant problem at our hospital and is linked to inappropriate broad-spectrum antimicrobial use. The ASP will develop a new empiric antimicrobial order set that reduces carbapenem use. The goal is a 2550% reduction in carbapenem orders in FY2022."

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Relevant







- Thesaurus.plus
- Benefit to patients, staff, organization
- Intervention linked to outcome

Relevant



pertinent, germane, applicable, apposite, apropos, suitable, appropriate, apt, related, material



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"Urine cultures are frequently ordered as part of routine ambulatory office visits, *leading to waste and inappropriate* antimicrobial prescriptions. We will coordinate a series of 3 1 educational module on ASB and lab stewardship for providers. By January 2022, all primary care providers will have completed the modules."

Time-Bound



Deadline!



time limit, limit, target date, bound, period, cutoff point, zero hour, cutoff, end, term



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- Agreed upon launch timeline
- Agreement as to when goal achieved

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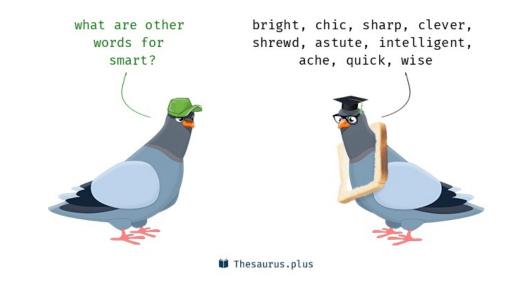


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Our goal is to [quantifiable objective] by [timeframe or deadline]. [Key players or teams] will accomplish this goal by [what steps you'll take to achieve the goal]. Accomplishing this goal will [result or benefit].

Source: https://www.atlassian.com/blog/productivity/how-to-write-smart-goals

Resources

- University of California, "SMART Goals: A How to Guide"
 https://www.ucop.edu/local-human-resources/_files/performance-appraisal/How%20to%20write%20SMART%20Goals%20v2.pdf
- Minnesota Department of Health, "SMART Objectives"
 https://www.health.state.mn.us/communities/practice/resources/phqit oolbox/objectives.html (includes presentation slides and handout)
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, "Evaluation Briefs: Writing SMART Objectives" https://www.cdc.gov/healthyyouth/evaluation/pdf/brief3b.pdf
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, "Communities of Practice Resource Kit: Develop SMART Objectives"
 https://www.cdc.gov/phcommunities/resourcekit/intro/index.html