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ImProvement of Safety CuLtUure in Swiss health care organizations – the PLUS study

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Problem

Approaches to strengthen safety culture that can be applied across diverse health care settings are currently lacking in Switzerland.

The PLUS intervention was developed based on evidence from the literature and input from experts and national stakeholders.

It addresses a gap by providing a structured, multi-component intervention tailored to Swiss health care organizations.

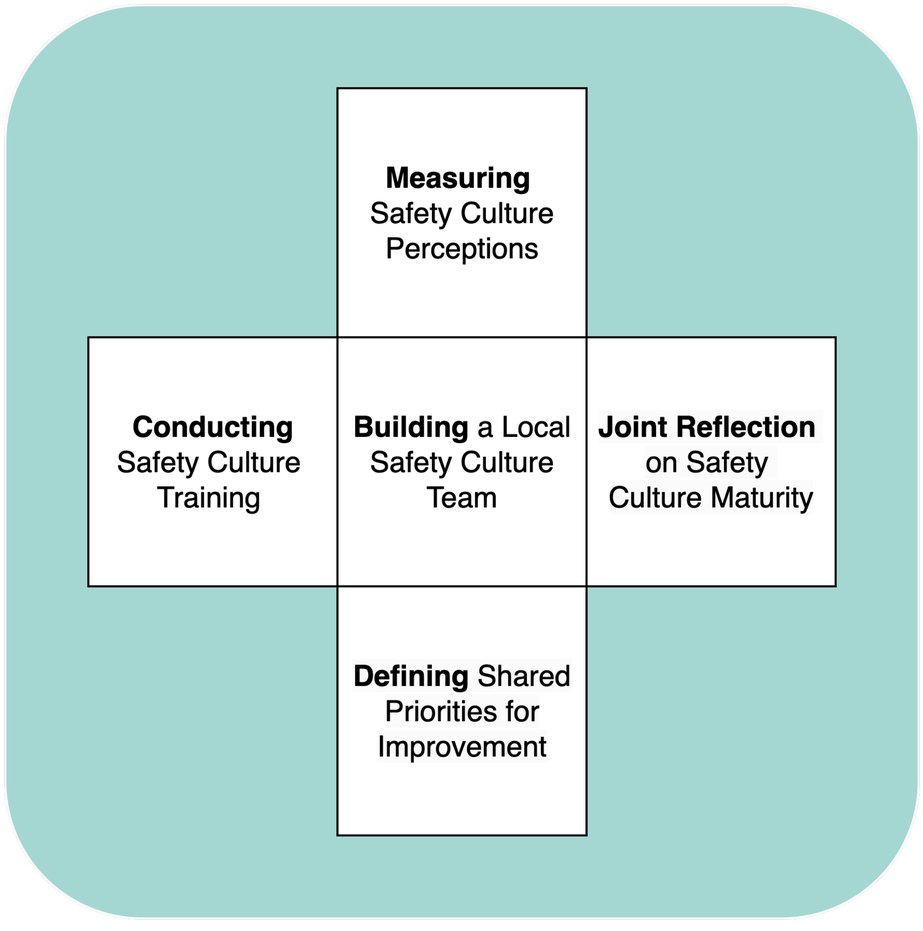
Aims of the Feasibility Study

To test the feasibility and acceptance of the intervention in 10 Swiss health care organizations.

To explore organizational factors that support or hinder implementation, using implementation strategies to guide the process.

To generate insights on the intervention, its implementation strategies and outcomes to guide further refinement before scale-up.

The 5 components of the PLUS Intervention



Expected Benefits

Strengthened safety culture within participating organizations.

Learning whether the intervention and its implementation are feasible and acceptable in practice.

Generating insights into how safety culture interventions can be adapted for different health care settings.

Perspective

Findings from the feasibility study will provide the basis for refining the intervention and implementation strategies assessing the potential for broader application.

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