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| E**Expectation**What is the improvement, innovation you want to see? | C**Client Group**Who is the service for? | L**Location**Where is the service being delivered? Hospital, Community or Primary Care? | I**Impact**What is the change in the service which is being looked for? What is success? How is it being measured? | P**Professionals Involved**Which professionals will deliver the service? | S**Service**For which service are you looking for information about? |
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