**Instructions**

1. Review the PA PQC Driver Diagram’s for Maternal Mortality, OUD, and NAS.
2. Decide whether you would like to start your quality improvement projects on one or more of the PA PQC topics: Maternal Mortality, OUD, and/or NAS.
3. For the topic(s) you select, prioritize a problem that your team would like to focus on for your quality improvement project. (The PA PQC Driver Diagrams include multiple problems and goals nested into one Driver Diagram.) To help your team select a problem, a ranking form is available on the next page to rate each problem’s severity, treatability, urgency, and readiness. These terms are defined below. Once you rank the problems that your team has identified, you can tally up and discuss the results. (Instead of the ranking form, you may also use simpler brainstorming and voting methods to prioritize problems.)
	1. Severity: degree to which it is a quality or safety issue for patients, staff, and the organization
	2. Treatability: likelihood that an intervention will address the problem
	3. Urgency: level of urgency to deal with the problem
	4. Readiness: availability of leaders, staff, skills, resources, and time

This exercise is meant to start the process of identifying a goal for your first quality improvement project in the PA PQC. It is not meant to lead to a final decision, since your team may want to gather your baseline data before finalizing your goal.

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| **Problems:** | **Severity** | **Treatability** | **Urgency** | **Readiness** | **Total** |
| 0-5 Ranking | 0-5 Ranking | 0-5 Ranking | 0-5 Ranking |  |
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