

# R95 Workgroup Meeting & Discussion Virtual Meeting

March 27, 2024

Substance Abuse Prevention and Control Bureau  
Los Angeles County Department of Public Health

# Agenda

**3:30 pm**     **Welcome & Updates-** Dr. Gary Tsai

**3:40 pm**     **R95 Discharge Policy [2D-3] – Michelle Gibson**

Focus Area 2: Lowering Barriers to Care

- Discussion: Staff Responsiveness to Admission & Discharge Policy Training and Changes (2D-3)

**3:55 pm**     **Service Design [2E-1, 2E-2, 2E-3] - Antonne Moore**

Focus Area 2: Lowering Barriers to Care

- Operationalizing Service Design based on Customer Walk-Throughs (2E-1, 2E-2, 2E-3)
- Review - 2E-2 Service Design Customer Walk-Through Guide
- Review - 2E-2 Service Design Walk-Through Summary Template

**4:45 pm**     **Next Steps**

**5:00 pm**     **Adjourn**

# Focus Area 2: Lowering Barriers to Care

## *R95 Admission & Discharge Policies*

### *(2D-1, 2D-2, 2D-3)*

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## R95 Updates & Reminders

- [R95 Required Deliverables Due on 3/31/24:](#)
  - 2A-3 New Executed MOU (New Partnership)
  - 2B-2 New Executed MOU (Field Based Services)
  - 2D-3 R95 Training Presentation
  - 2F-1 Executed MOU for Bidirectional Referrals for Lower Barrier Care

## R95 Updates & Reminders

- [R95 Required Deliverables:](#)
  - \*2D-1 R95 Admission Policy
    - Accompanying updated/R95 aligned “Admission Agreement”
  - \*2D-2 R95 Discharge Policy
    - Accompanying updated/R95 aligned “Toxicology Policy”
  - \*2C-2 Verified Engagement for 30- and 60-Day Engagement
    - Note: you may also need to submit the following
      - 2C-1 Engagement Policy
      - Provider agencies that offer a non-residential level of care should also submit an additional 2C-1 Attestation Form for Initial Engagement Authorization Training

## R95 Updates & Reminders

- [NEW SAPC Capacity Building and Incentives \(CBI\) Webpage:](#)
- <http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/sapc/providers/payment-reform/>
- One-stop shop for all items related to CBI
  - Scrolling banner with reminders for upcoming deliverable due dates and meetings
  - One-click option to email [sapc-cbi@ph.lacounty.gov](mailto:sapc-cbi@ph.lacounty.gov) directly or view SAPC's most recently posted FAQ's
  - The Forms/Invoices title includes final documents posted for use

# Lowering Barrier to Care: Admission & Discharge Policies

- **R95 Admission & Discharge Policy:**
- Currently Reviewing Submissions w/ Follow Up as Needed
- Make sure you used the final required language version for both (*Posted on SAPC website - under R95 Workgroup Meetings, February 14, 2024 (dated 2/20/24)*)
- Required text in **blue** must be used in its entirety
  - Editing text (even choice of words) can easily alter meaning even if not intentional
  - Providers may use “client” or “patient” depending on your standard language
  - Leaving out sections of required blue text is not an option

## Lowering Barrier to Care: Admission & Discharge Policies

- **R95 Admission & Discharge Policy:**
- Under Accommodations – C. (language assistance) remember to add agency specific details on protocol for accessing language assistance services
- **Admission Agreements:**
- Admission Policy SCOPE – revise to align levels of care with Discharge Policy
- Admission Agreements, for patient signature, must be revised to align with R95 Admission Policy (include language from Admission Policy)
- R95 Admission Agreements cannot be combined with pre-R95 agreements especially when the language between the two is contradictory



## Lowering Barrier to Care: Admission & Discharge Policies

- R95 Admission & Discharge Policy:
- Toxicology (drug testing/UA) Policy:
- Standalone document that is revised to align with R95 Discharge Policy (include language from Discharge Policy)
- R95 Toxicology Policy cannot be combined with pre-R95 agreements especially when language between the two may contradict
- If policy is geared toward justice involved populations (e.g. courts, DCFS, etc.) also be sure to include language for other populations
- Recommend placing R95 language at top of these documents that tend to be technical and process oriented

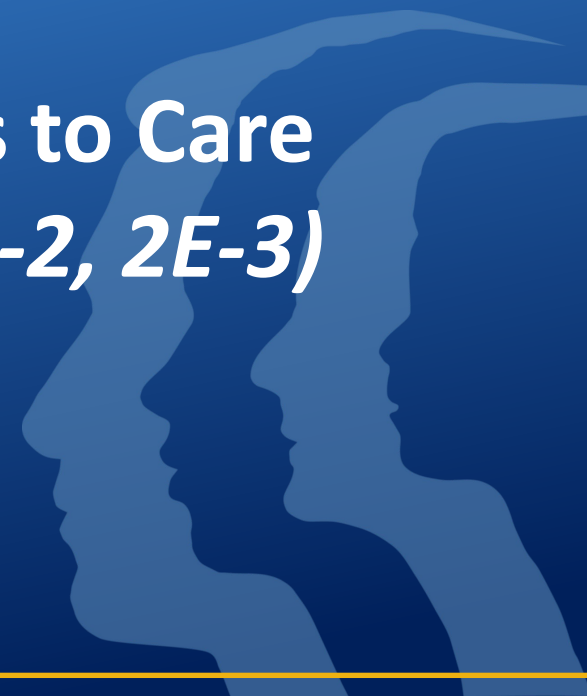
## Lowering Barrier to Care: Admission & Discharge Policies

- R95 Training Presentation:
- Make sure to include information on agency specific policies outside of R95 Admission & Discharge Policy
  - Slide #15: Interpreter Services: *insert agency policy and instructions*
  - Slide #22: Intake and Admission Process: *consider including agency specific information on Admission Agreement here as well*
  - Slide #30: Discharge Process: *consider including agency specific information on Toxicology Policy here as well*
- Would not recommend copying and pasting entire Admission or Discharge Policy language – instead use opportunity to highlight important policy elements

# Focus Area 2: Lowering Barriers to Care

## *Service Design for LBC (2E-1, 2E-2, 2E-3)*

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### Prevalence of substance use and abuse in the United States<sup>1</sup>

Age group (years)	Alcohol		Rx		Illicit Drug			Overall
	Binge drinking <sup>a</sup>	Alcohol use disorder <sup>b</sup>	Rx opioid misuse <sup>b</sup>	Marijuana use <sup>b</sup>	Cocaine use <sup>b</sup>	Illicit drug use <sup>b</sup>	Illicit drug use disorder <sup>b</sup>	Substance use disorder (SUD) <sup>b</sup>
Youth (12-17)	3.8%	3.4%	1.9%	10.5%	0.2%	14.1%	5.7%	8.5%
Young Adult (18-25)	29.2%	15.0%	3.0%	35.4%	3.5%	38.0%	15.5%	25.6%
Adult (26+)	22.4%	10.7%	3.3%	17.2%	1.6%	20.3%	6.1%	16.1%
<b>Total (12+)</b>	21.5%	10.6%	3.1%	18.7%	1.7%	21.9%	7.2%	16.5%

Rx opioid: Prescription pain relievers. Binge drinking: 5 or more drinks (for male) or 4 or more drinks (for female) on the same occasion on at least 1 day in the past 30 days.  
<sup>a</sup> In the past month <sup>b</sup> In the past year

### Alcohol and other drug (AOD) use results in a heavy **disease** and **economic** burden

#### Alcohol and other drug use in LAC costs **billions** annually in tangible costs<sup>2</sup>

**Health**

- People with SUD incur 2-3 times more medical expenses than people without SUD<sup>3</sup>

Annually in LAC, there are:  
**2,990** AOD-related deaths<sup>4</sup>  
**146,087** AOD-related ED visits<sup>5</sup>  
**139,179** AOD-related hospitalizations<sup>5</sup>  
**\$103,372** charge per AOD-hospitalization<sup>6</sup>  
**\$14.3 billion** total AOD-hospital charges<sup>5</sup>

**State Spending on Addiction and Substance Use<sup>9</sup>**

19.5% of CA state budget

2¢ per \$1 spent in CA pays for prevention and treatment

98¢ per \$1 spent in CA pays for consequences

**Criminal Justice**

- The average annual taxpayer cost per inmate in California (CA) is \$106,131<sup>6</sup>

In the US:  
**65%** of inmates meet criteria for a SUD<sup>7</sup>  
**25%** of incarcerations were for drug law violations<sup>7</sup>  
**43%** were under the influence at time of crime<sup>7</sup>

Annually in CA:  
**385,275** AOD-related arrests annually (LAC: 19%)<sup>8</sup>  
**\$7.7 billion** in SUD-related justice spending<sup>9</sup>

**Driving Under the Influence**

- 15% of US young adults drove under the influence of AOD in the past year<sup>10</sup>

Annually in LAC, there are:  
**26,183** DUI arrests<sup>11</sup>  
**19,292** DUI convictions<sup>11</sup>  
**11,940** DUI collisions<sup>12</sup>  
**7,143** DUI injuries<sup>12</sup>  
**275** DUI fatalities<sup>12</sup>  
**\$13,500** cost per DUI case in CA<sup>13</sup>

**Productivity Loss**

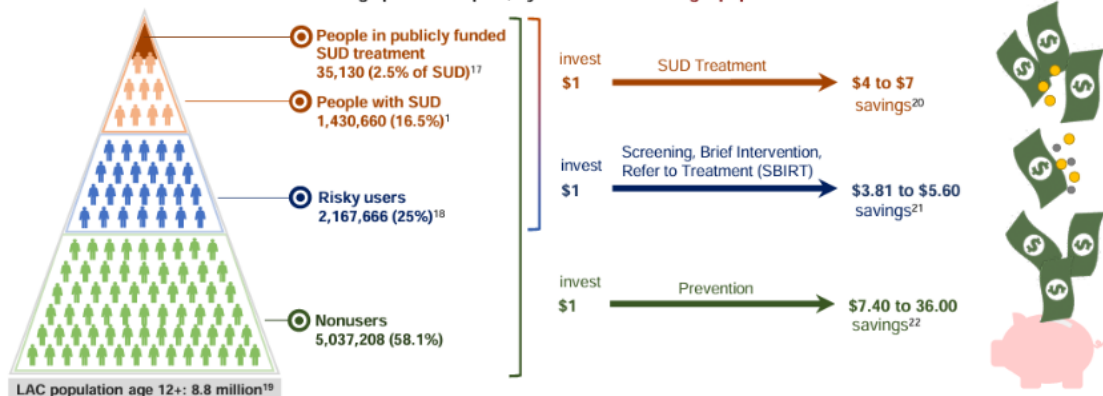
- 15% of the adult US workforce were alcohol-impaired at work in the past year<sup>14</sup>

Among US workers:  
**24%** of full-time employees are illicit drug users<sup>10</sup>  
**28%** of part-time employees are illicit drug users<sup>10</sup>

Among US workers who use AOD:  
**3.5 times** more likely to have workplace accident<sup>15</sup>  
**2 times** more likely to miss work<sup>16</sup>

### Investments in prevention, screening, and treatment yield substantial **cost savings**

#### Savings per dollar spent, by intervention for **target population**



Service Design  
Why is this important?

## Service Design

- Since there is no common definition of service design, we will illustrate service design thinking through five Core Principles from the book:
- *This is Service Design Thinking, Mark Stickdorn and Jakob Schneider*
  1. User Centered
  2. Co-creative
  3. Sequencing
  4. Evidencing
  5. Holistic

## 1- It is User Centered

- Involve the customer – services are not tangible goods that can be stored away as inventory, services are created through interaction, between a service provider and a customer.
- We need context - understanding of culture, social context, and motivation is crucial. To design a service requires that we slip into the customer's shoes and understand their experience in a wider context.
- Common language across the design team.

## 2. It is Co-Created

- Putting the customer at the center of design will involve more than just one customer.
- Consider various stakeholders, frontline staff, office staff, managers, and non-human interfaces (phone service, tele-health platforms)
- Creatively engage everyone –listening to the ideas flowing through people’s minds.
- Service designers consciously create an environment that facilitates ideation within diverse stakeholder groups.

### 3. It is Sequencing

- The service timeline is critical – The SUD patient engages in a series of events that occur over a certain period-of-time.
- The time timeline influences the mood.
- The walkthrough is a way to deconstruct your services as series of touchpoints and interactions.



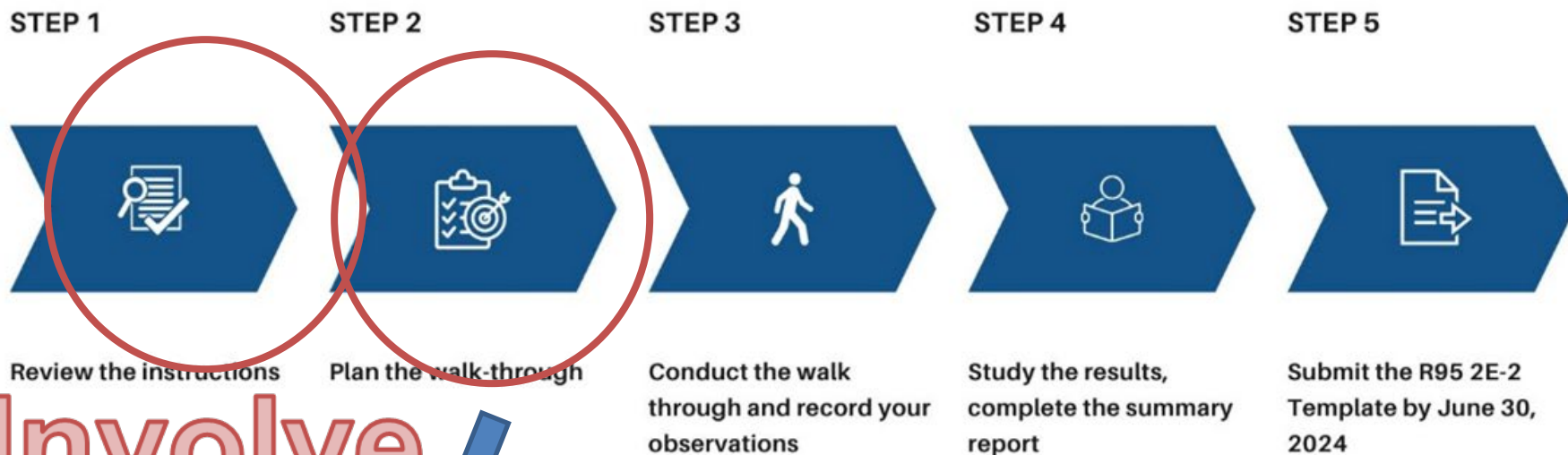
## 4. It is Evidencing

- Make the intangible, tangible.
- What are the extras? Are they designed with intention?

## 5. It is holistic

- Services take place in a physical environment. Customers perceive through their senses. What do they see, hear, smell, touch (and taste).
- Seeing the wider context in which the service is taking place. How do your organization's physical attributes, culture, values and processes impact the patient.

# Customer Walk-through Guide with Templates



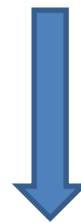
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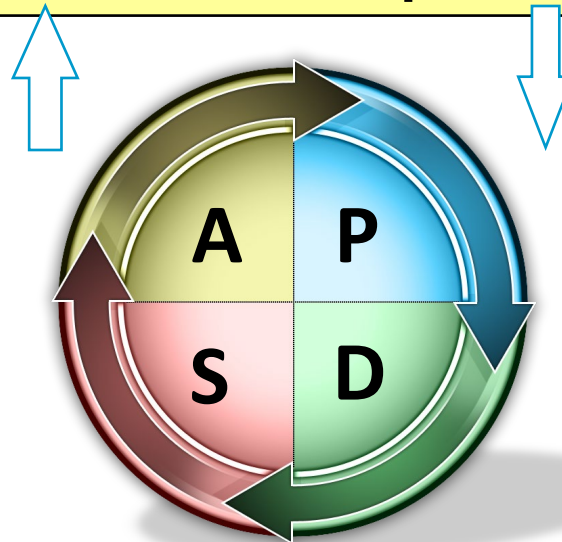
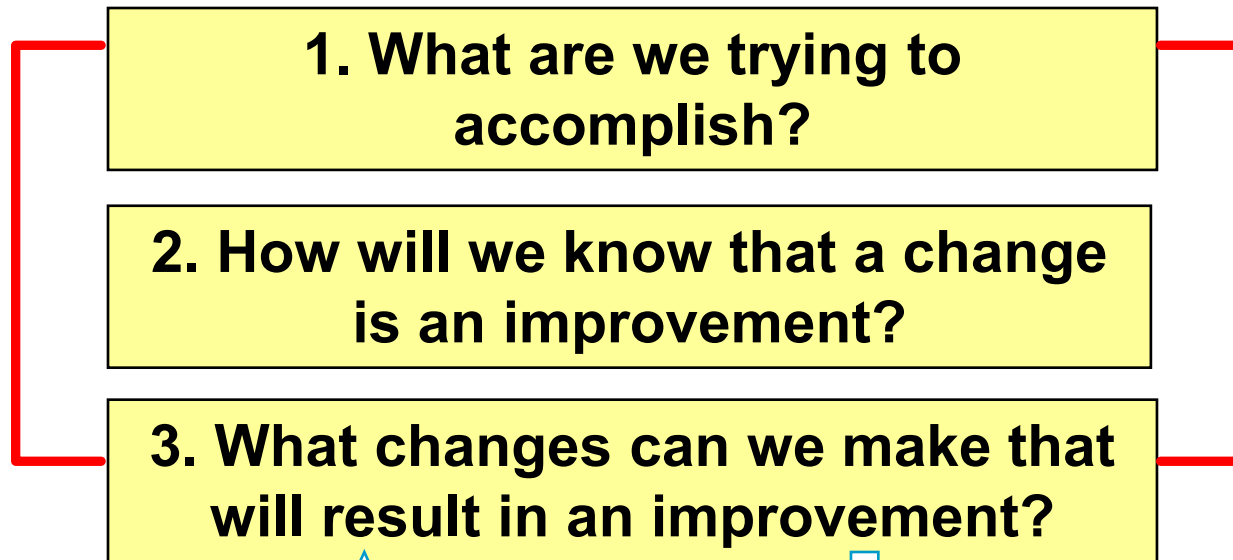


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# Strategic Vantage Point of Leadership



# Model for Improvement



Reference:  
Langley, Nolan,  
Nolan, Norman,  
& Provost. The  
Improvement  
Guide

## Focus on One Aim



What are you trying to accomplish?

An aim is the defined target of your change project. A clear, measurable

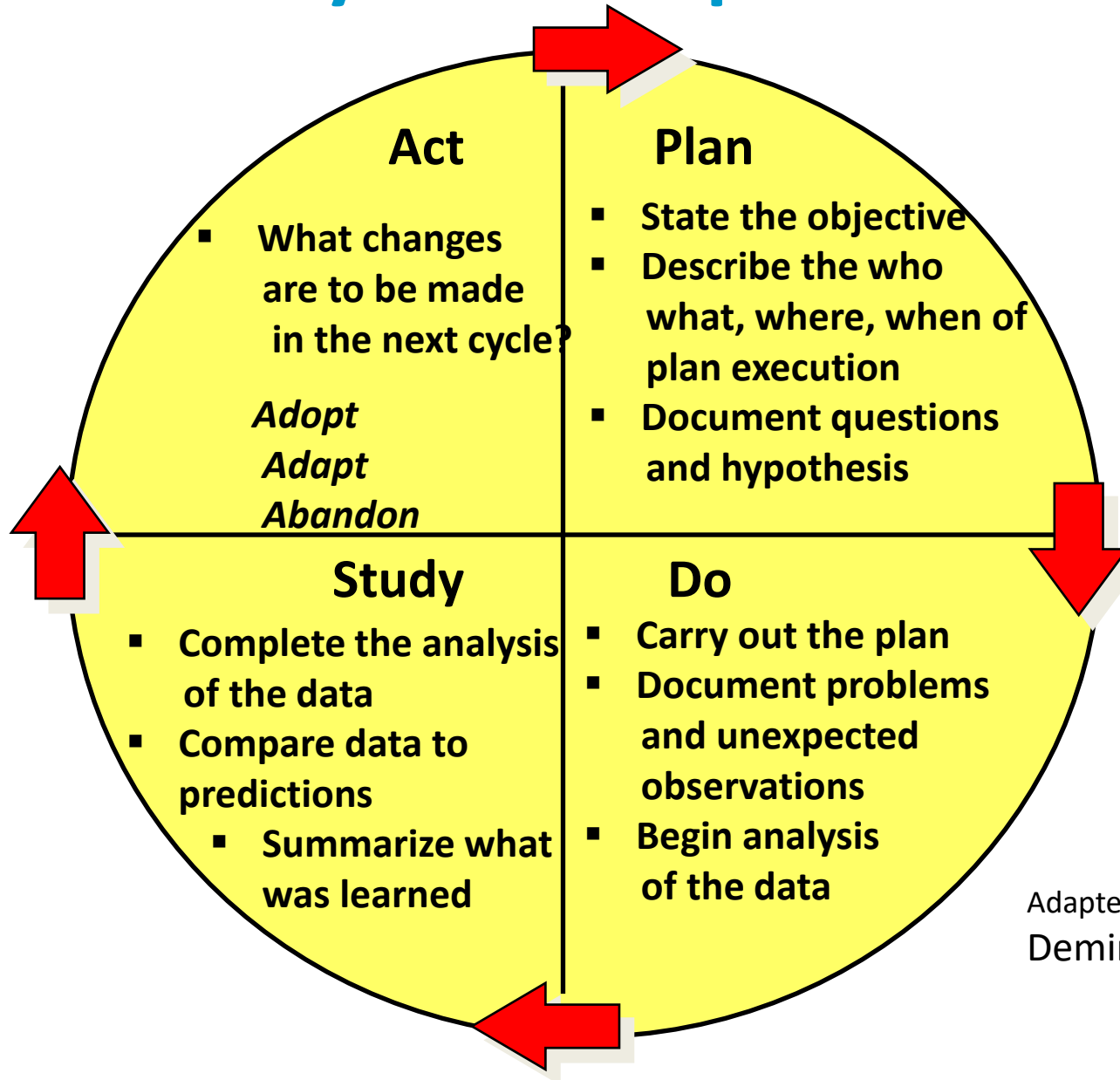
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# Brainstorm with Stakeholders



# PDSA Cycle for Improvement



Adapted version of the Deming Model

**RAPID CYCLE TESTING – (add more cycles as needed)**

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# Questions

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