NURSING INQUIRY PROCESS DIAGRAM

**Background (Broad)**
- Start: Articulate Problem and Define Question

**Question Development**
- Initial Review of Evidence / Data
- Consult Hospital Resources & Experts
- Identify & Assemble Initial Project Team (Stakeholders)

**Foreground (Focused)**
- Refine Question (PICO)
- Consult Librarian & Perform Literature Search
- Appraise Evidence

**Evidence-Based Practice (Change in Practice)**
- Contact the Research & EBP Leadership Council (If Needed)
- Finalize Team Members & Schedule Meetings
- Assess Translation of Evidence into Practice
- Gather Pre-Intervention Data
- Create Action Plan & Implement Change (Pilot)
- Gather Post-Intervention Data
- Evaluate Outcome(s)
- Report Results to Decision-Makers
- Adopt Practice Change & Identify Next Steps

**Performance Improvement (Process Enhancement)**
- Current Practice? No (EBP)
- Current Practice? Yes Stop (New Question)

**Research (Creation of New Knowledge)**
- Not Enough Evidence (Research)
- Research Not Fully Implemented (Performance Improvement)

**Plan**
- Identify performance gaps
- Make Predictions and State Objectives
- Develop Plan to Carryout Rest of the Cycle
- Assemble Team Members

**Do**
- Implement Change (Pilot)
- Collect Data
- Evaluate Effectiveness

**Study**
- Monitor & Improve / Adjust
- Summarize What Was Learned
- Compare Date to Prediction

**Act**
- Determine What Changes Need to Be Made
- Adopt, Abandon, Abort
- Continue with Performance Improvement

**Disseminate**
- (Poster, Podium Presentation, Manuscript)

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