

We Didn't Report WHAT?

Preventing a “Heart Attack” over Substantive Change



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SACSCOC Policy Statement “Heartstopper”

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Checking your vitals

Poll Everywhere Exercise



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Checking your vitals

Poll Everywhere: Number of Substantive Changes

With how many substantive changes have you been involved?

1. None
2. 1-5
3. 6-9
4. 10 or more



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Poll Everywhere: Racing Heart Moments

What about substantive change causes your heart to race?

1. Fear of unreported programs/centers on my campus.
2. Not understanding the SACSCOC Policy on Substantive Change.
3. Describing the SACSCOC Policy to others on campus.
4. Having to compile a prospectus.
5. All of the above.



Checking your vitals

Poll Everywhere: Your state

In what state is your institution?

1. Alabama
2. Florida
3. Georgia
4. Kentucky
5. Louisiana
6. Mississippi
7. North Carolina
8. South Carolina
9. Tennessee
10. Texas
11. Virginia
12. Other



Checking your vitals

Poll Everywhere: Sub Change Types

Pick the substantive change below with which you have the most experience.

1. New degree program
2. New instructional site
3. Closing of degree program or instructional site
4. Reviewing others' substantive changes
5. Other
6. None of the above



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Poll Everywhere: Role

Are you the SACSCOC Liaison for your campus?

1. Yes
2. No



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Poll Everywhere: Role

What is your job title?

1. SACSCOC Liaison
2. Institutional Research and/or Effectiveness Staff
3. Academic Affairs Faculty or Staff
4. Other



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Poll Everywhere: Oops Moment

Have you had an “oops” moment with substantive change?

1. Yes
2. No



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Poll Everywhere: Purpose of Today's Visit

What is the purpose of your wellness visit?

1. Recognize the importance of substantive change to continuous improvement.
2. Streamline and strengthen my own substantive change processes.
3. Learn more about keeping a substantive change database.
4. Meet others, expand your network.



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Poll Everywhere: Presenting symptom

What is a current substantive change that you are struggling with?



A “Heart-Healthy” Substantive Change System

Differential Diagnosis

Proposed Treatments

SACS Prescription

Grand Rounds

The Bill

Treatment Plan

Follow-up



Making the “Differential Diagnosis”

The “Ruling Out” Thought Process

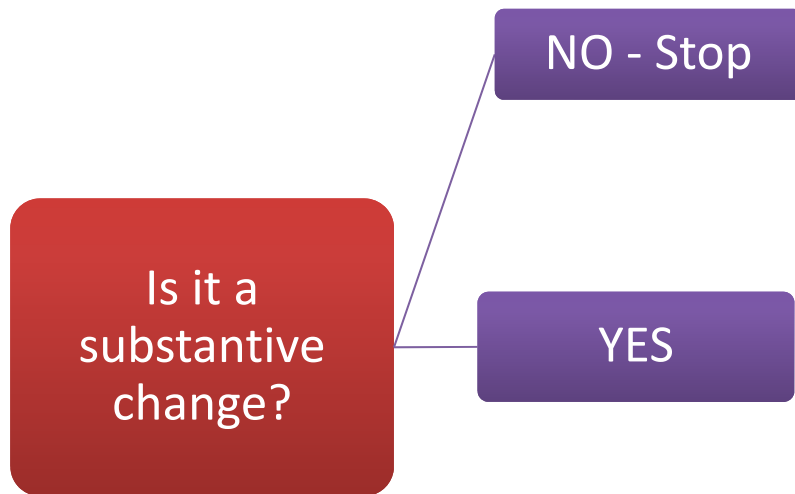
Is it a
substantive
change?



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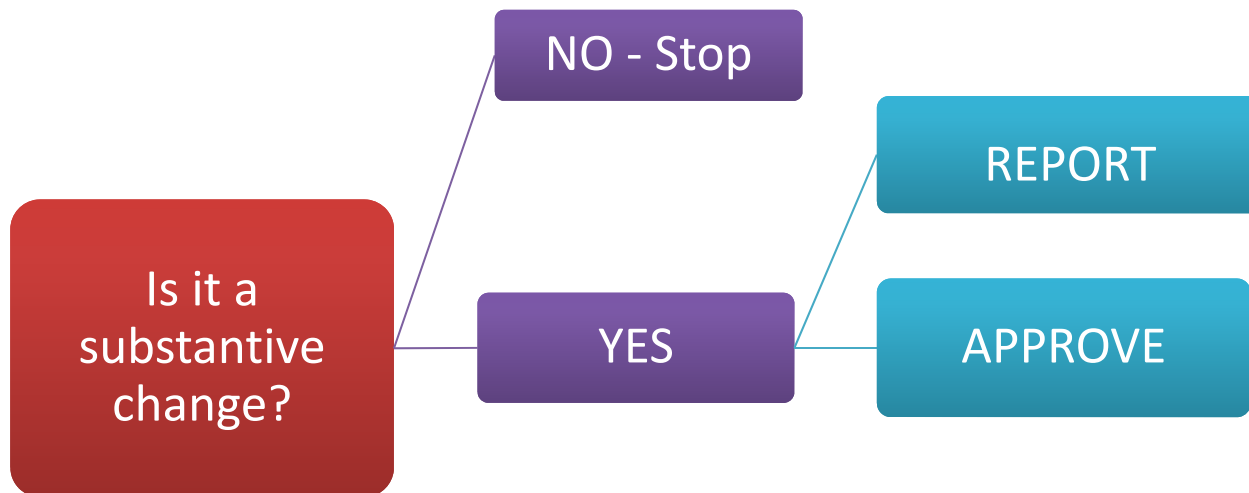
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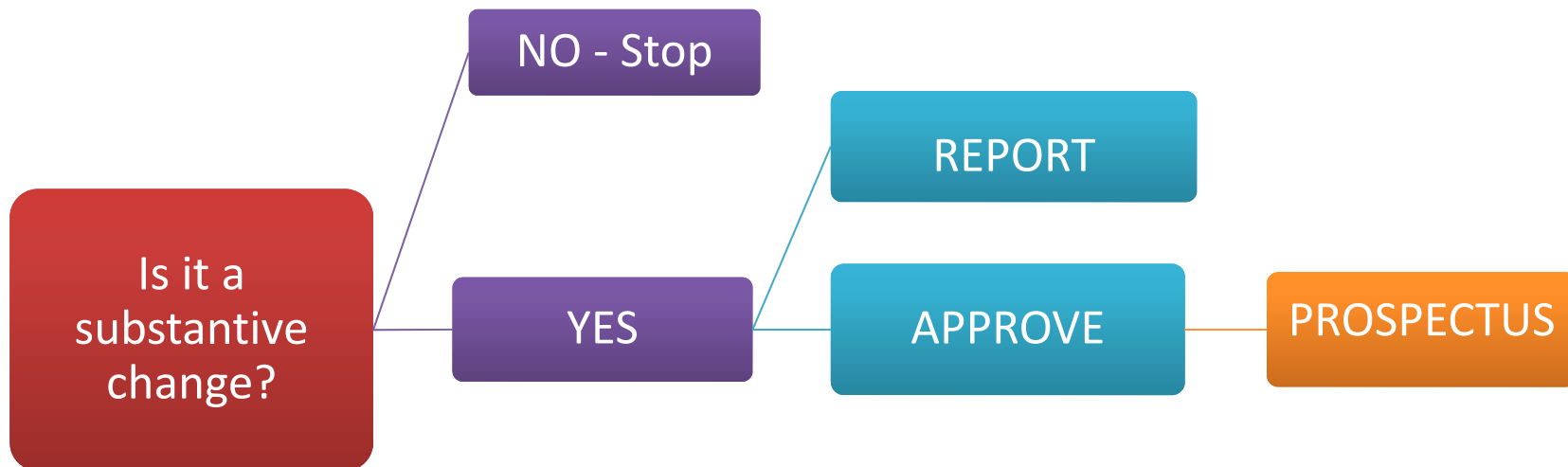
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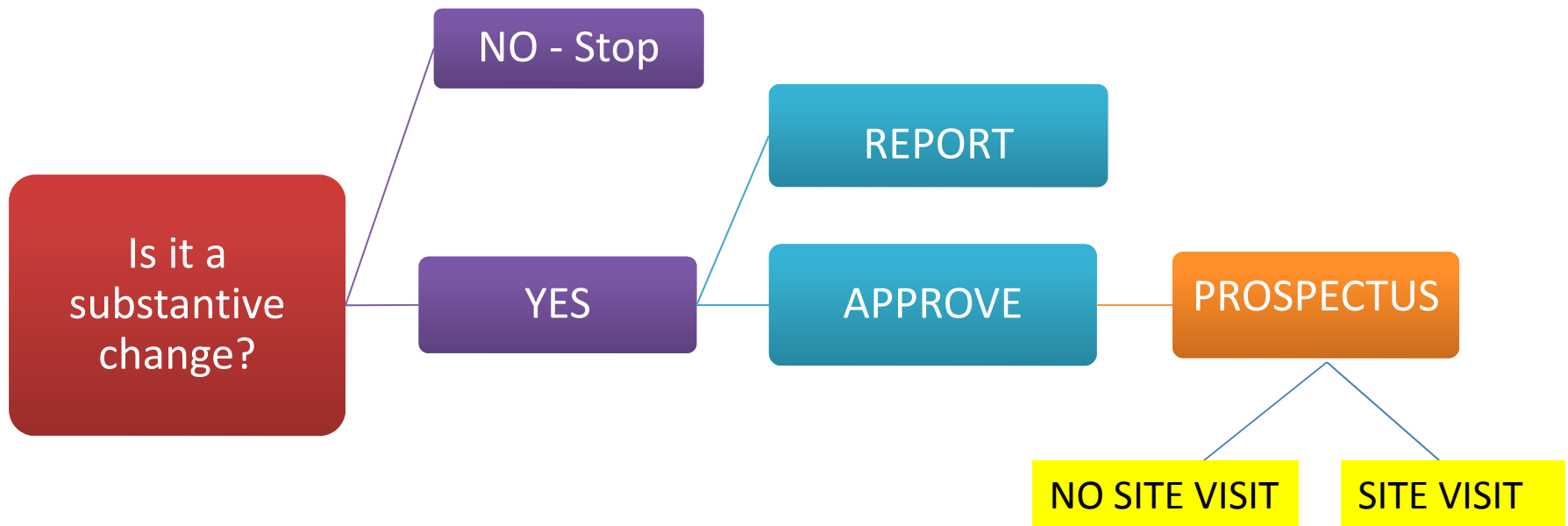
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SACSCOC Policy Statement

Substantive Change for SACSCOC Accredited Institutions

<http://www.sacscoc.org/pdf/081705/SubstantiveChange.pdf>



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Proposed “Treatments”

Reporting Mechanisms and Prospectuses

- New Degree Programs
- Addition of Lower-level Programs
- International Programs
- Off-campus Sites
- Substantive Change Database



“SACS Prescription”

For Preventing Substantive Change Attacks

- S** Simplicity
- A** Adaptability
- C** Care
- S** Substance



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S Simplicity

Writing simple is never simple.
Good writing is in the re-writing.



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S Substance

Bookend that balances with SIMPLICITY.



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A Adaptability

“Hold em, fold em, walk away, or run.”



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C Care

SACSCOC Liaisons:

You are the divergent group Abnegation.



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“Grand Rounds”

- Your Most Challenging Presenting Symptoms
- Report out 1 “Prescription” for Success from Each Group



The Bill

- \$500 Prospectus or Level Change each SACSCOC institution
- \$7,500 Per non-SACSCOC member
- \$2,000 + actual costs Sub Change Visit



Treatment Plan

- Wrap-up
- Questions



Follow-up

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