

Cause and Effect Diagram for RCA²

Use this tool with your RCA² team to explore causes that contributed to the adverse event or near miss you're reviewing. Input the problem you're seeking to address at the far left. Input the categories of primary causes (actions and conditions) as you see them. Then input causes within each category. As you identify causes, you may think of smaller causes that contribute to the larger causes; keep drilling down as much as it is helpful. (You may need more space than this template provides.) See the [RCA² report](#) for an example.

