Action Chart for   
Implementing Decolonization

Graphic outlining 12 key steps in implementing decolonization. 
The first 4 steps can be considered part of "Decision-Making".
1. Review and share the evidence for decolonization.
2. Assess your unit’s current MRSA status.
3. Identify whether you are going to use a Universal or Targeted decolonization strategy.
4. Garner institutional support from key stakeholders.
The next steps are categorized as "Pre-Launch Activities"
5. Develop a CUSP team. This step actually begins earlier, in the Decision-Making phase, and continues throughout your preparation and implementation.
6. Identify physician and nursing champions.
7. Select and adapt protocols for your unit.
7.5. If using a Targeted Decolonization strategy: Identify processes for targeting patients.
8. Obtain committee approvals.
9. Set launch date.
10. Stock product and address compatibility issues.
11. Formulate education and training plans.
12. Develop plan to assure adherence and reinforce training.

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| **Adapted from** “Universal ICU Decolonization: An Enhanced Protocol”  <https://www.ahrq.gov/hai/universal-icu-decolonization/index.html> | and | “Toolkit for Decolonization of Non-ICU Patients With Devices”  <https://www.ahrq.gov/hai/tools/abate/index.html> |