**Stage 2: Planning to Apply**

Planning Suggestions:

* Planning team composition:
  + OB nursing leadership
    - Antepartum
    - Labor and Delivery
    - Postpartum/MBU
  + Accreditation/QI representation
  + OB provider champion
* Create meeting schedule
* Obtain TJC Maternal Levels of Care standards – contact Brian Johnson at [bjohnson@jointcommission.org](mailto:bjohnson@jointcommission.org) or 630-792-5144. He can send you the standards even if you have not applied for verification.
* Conduct gap analysis
  + TJC Maternal Levels of Care Comparison Grid
* Identify level of care - Assess your hospital’s LOMC capabilities, discuss with leadership, and only apply for the level of maternal care confirmed by leadership.
* Schedule call with mentor hospital team and/or Joint Commission contact

Items to assist with planning include:

* TJC Maternal Levels of Care Comparison Grid
* LOMC Sample Gap Analysis Sample GANTT Chart
* LOMC Quick Start Checklist
* LOMC Suggestions from Colleagues