

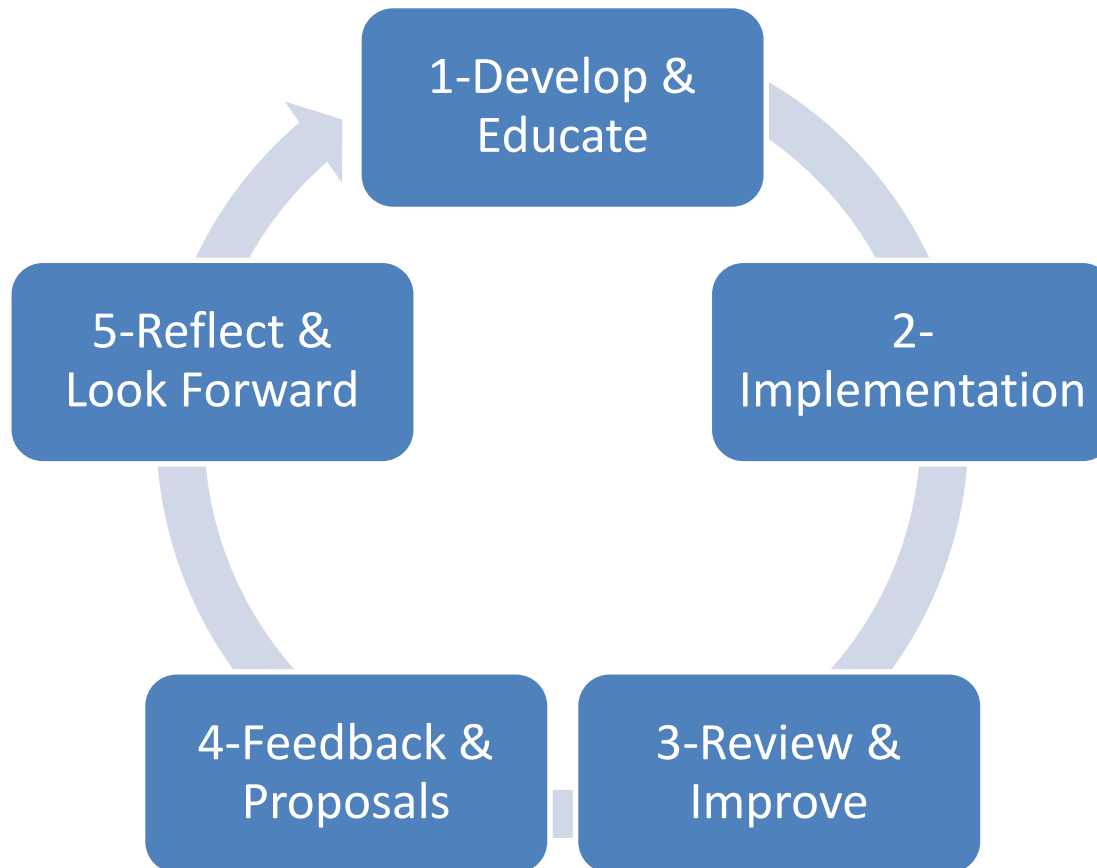


# NCAA Wrestling New Rules Process

July 2016



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# NCAA Rules Feedback

- ★ • Formal feedback
- ★ • Informal feedback

## Feedback Sources

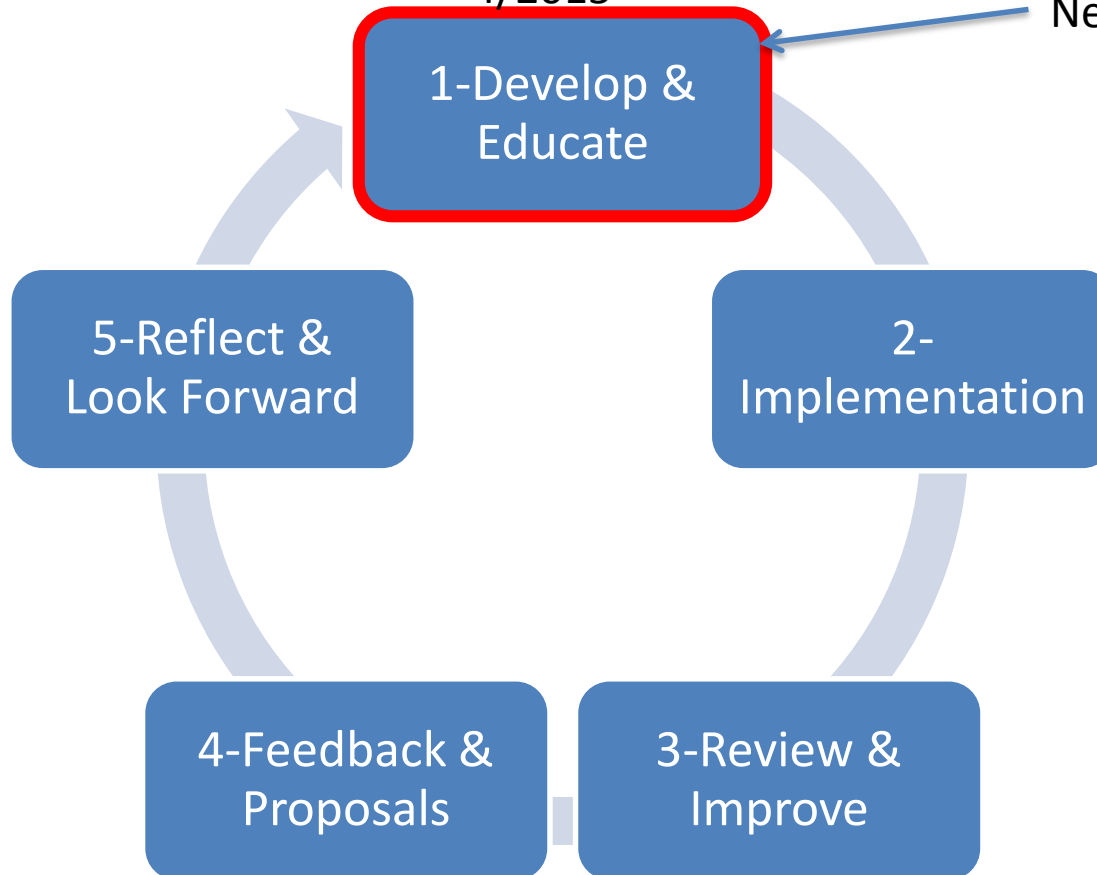
- Coaches, Referees and Administrators.
- Organizations (NWCA, NAIA, NJCAA, SSI, CSC, NFHS, etc.).



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# Step 1

## Develop and Educate

- **April (1<sup>st</sup> Year)**
  - Rules development at the NCAA Wrestling Rules Committee Meeting. 
  - New rules two week comment period. 


# Step 1

## Develop and Educate

- **May/June**
  - Comment period results reviewed by committee.
    - Can revise or eliminate proposals if necessary.
  - All new rules proposals submitted to the NCAA Playing Rules Oversight Panel (PROP)
  - PROP approves or disapproves all rules proposals

# Step 1

## Develop and Educate

- **June/July**
  - Rules book printed.
  - Rules book distributed.
  - New rules are posted on the Arbiter Center Mat.
  - Secretary-Rules Editor (SRE) executes the NWCA presentation. 
  - Clarifications, questions and answers and points of emphasis are placed on the Center Mat.

# Step 1

## Develop and Educate

- **August**
  - Rules clinic video is placed on online for viewing.
  - Clarifications, questions and answers, and points of emphasis are placed on the Center Mat.



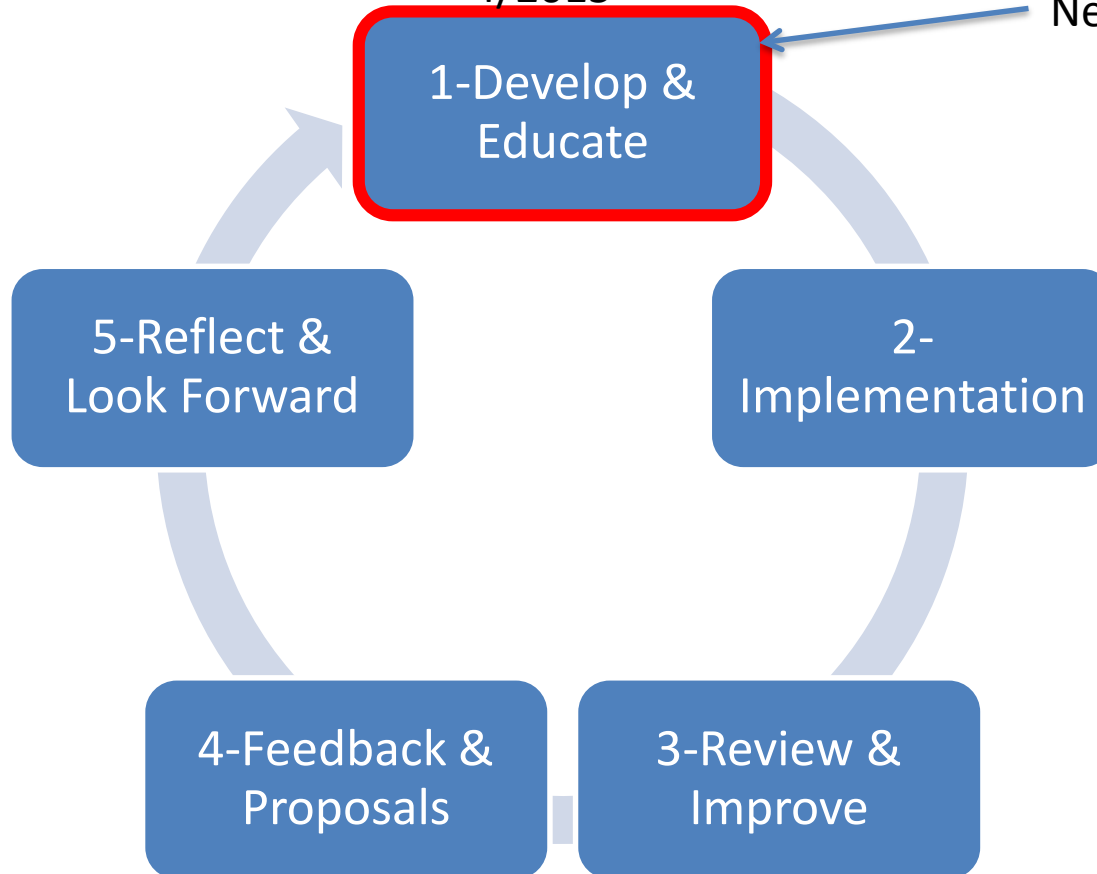




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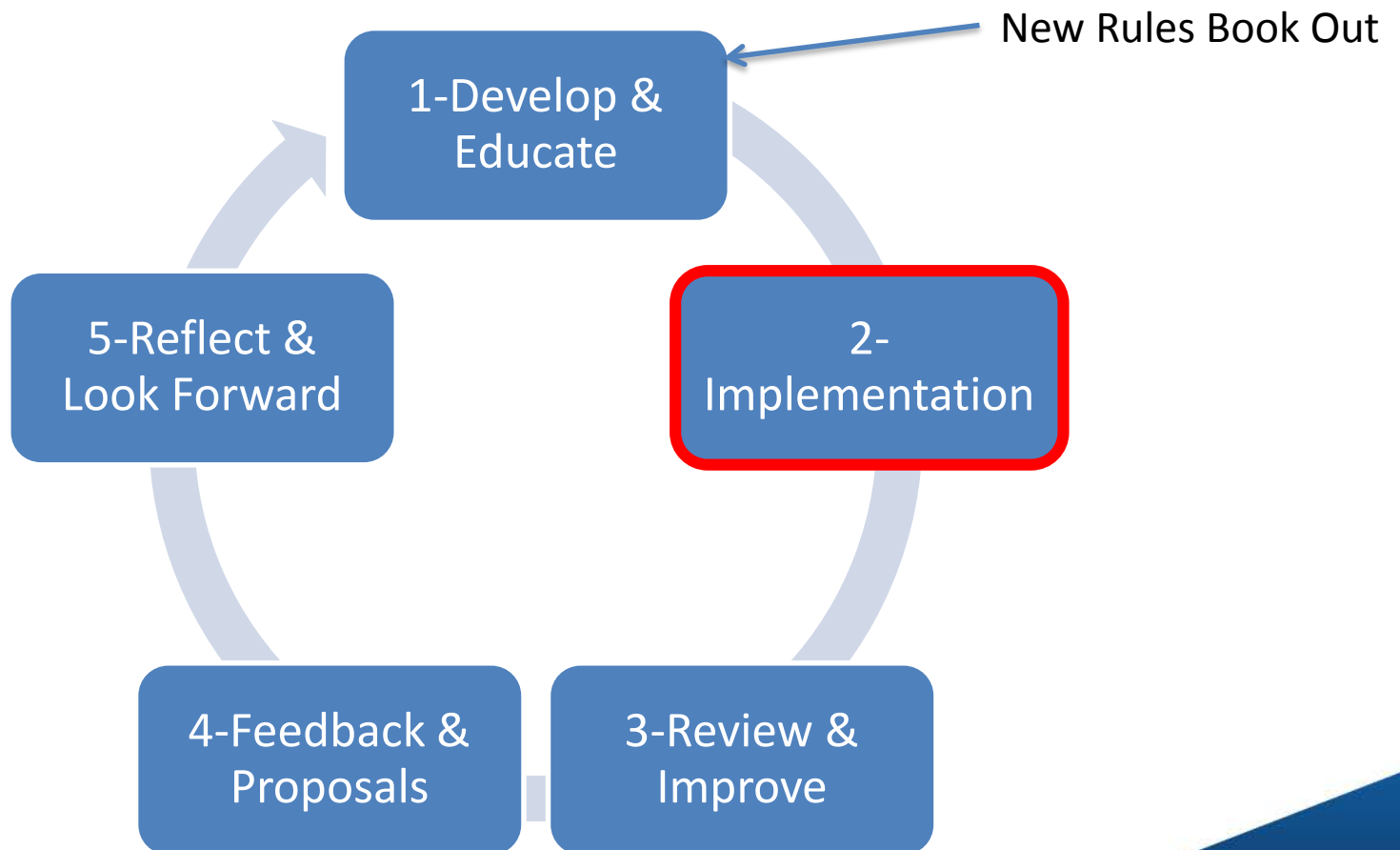
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# Step 2

## Implementation

- **September – December**
  - New rules are implemented by the referees and coaches.
  - SRE makes any appropriate interpretations. ★
  - National Coordinator of Officials (NCO) counsels referees and answers referee and coach questions.



# Step 2

## Implementation

- **January**
  - NCAA survey is distributed to all coaches, referees and administrators to solicit feedback on the new rules. ★



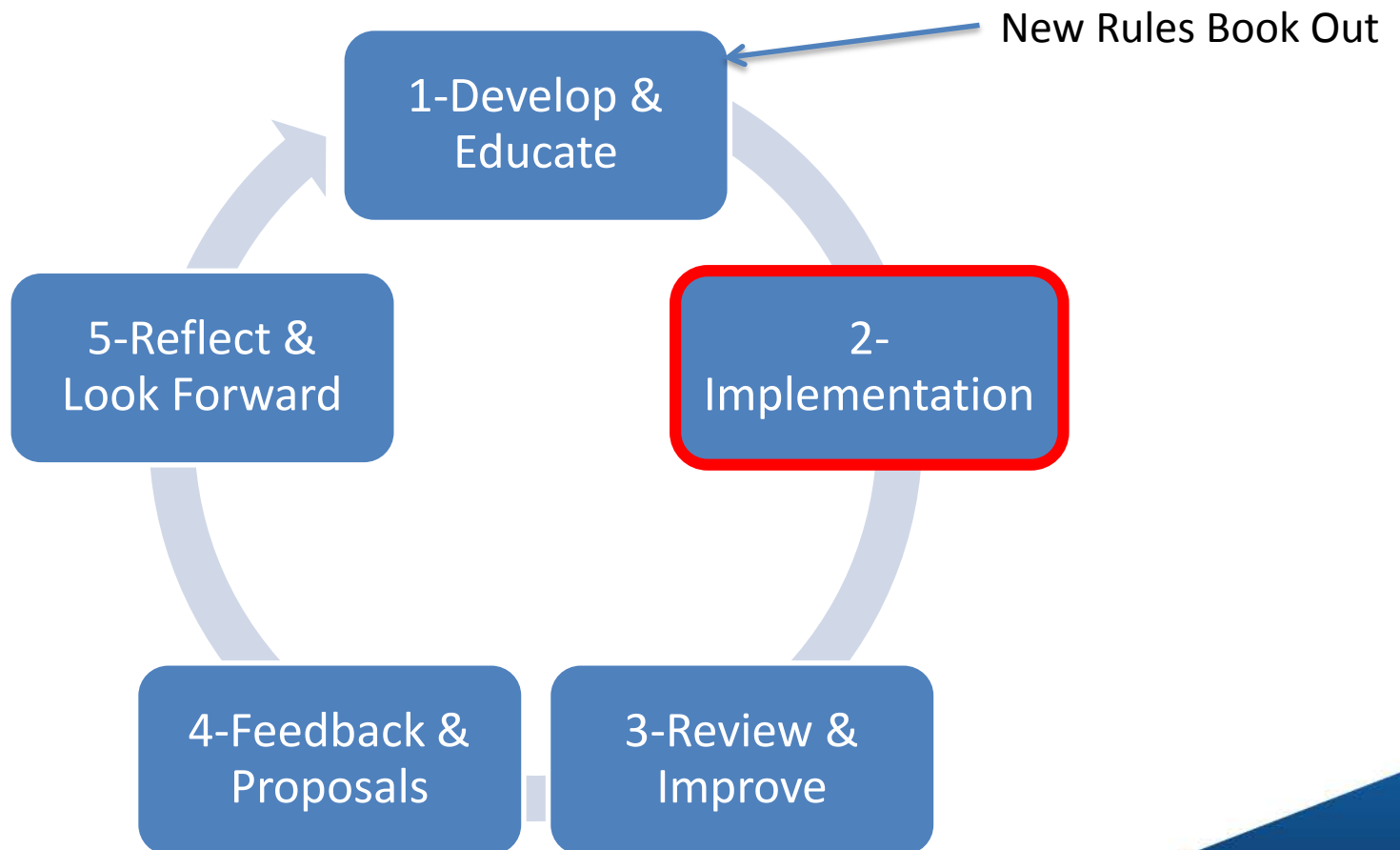
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## Implementation

- **January – March**
  - Continue to implement/observe and make interpretations related to new rules.

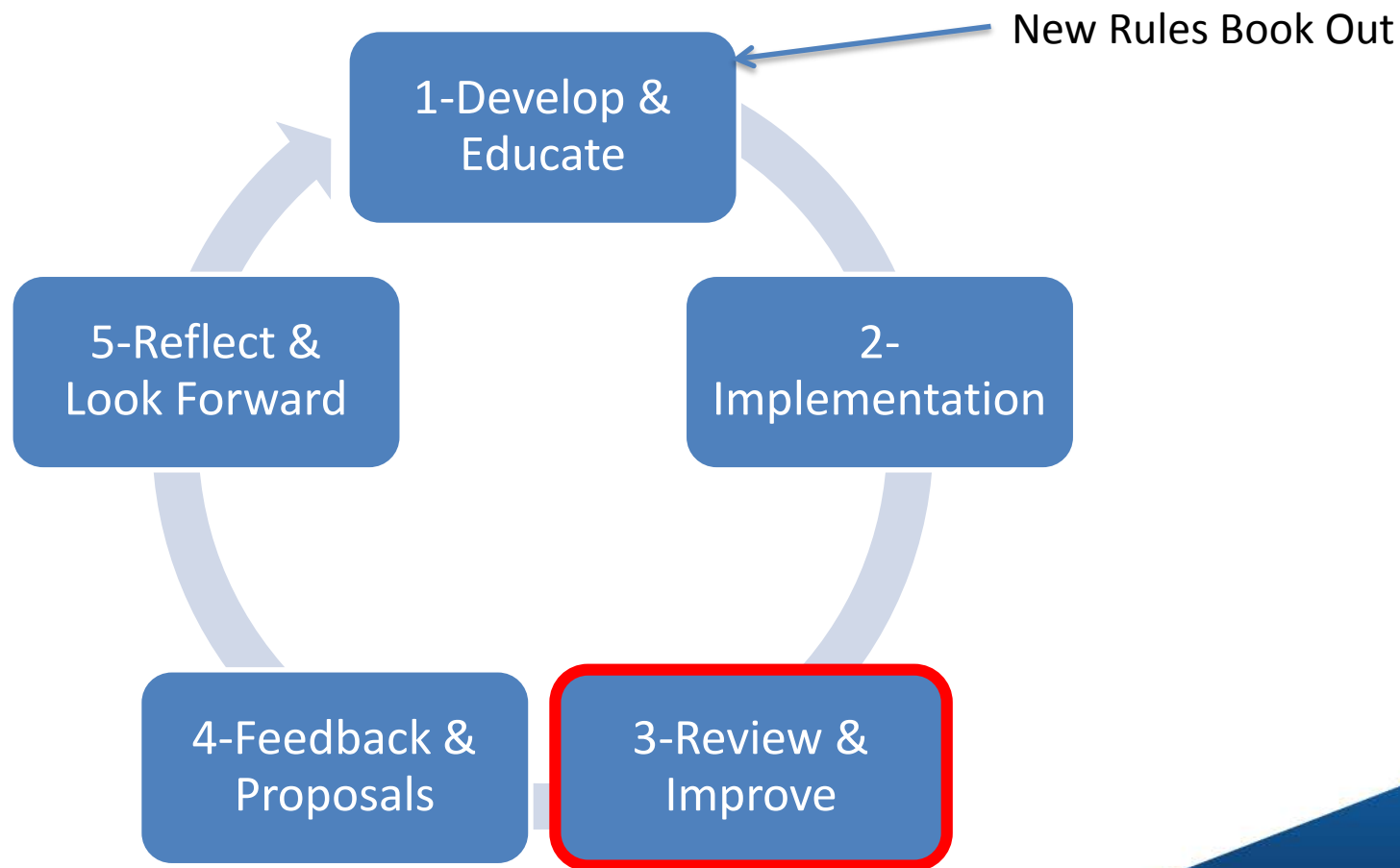


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# Step 3

## Review and Improve


- **April (2<sup>nd</sup> Year)**
  - New rules and all feedback reviewed at the annual Wrestling Rules Committee annual meeting.
  - Rules can be rescinded or continue.
  - Year #2 is a non rules change year. Committee can recommend experimental rule(s).\*
  - New rules for the next April meeting can be discussed.





# Step 3

## Review and Improve

- **May**
  - Information coming out of the April meeting is distributed.
- **July**
  - SRE makes a rules presentation to discuss  new information and/or points of emphasis for the upcoming season.



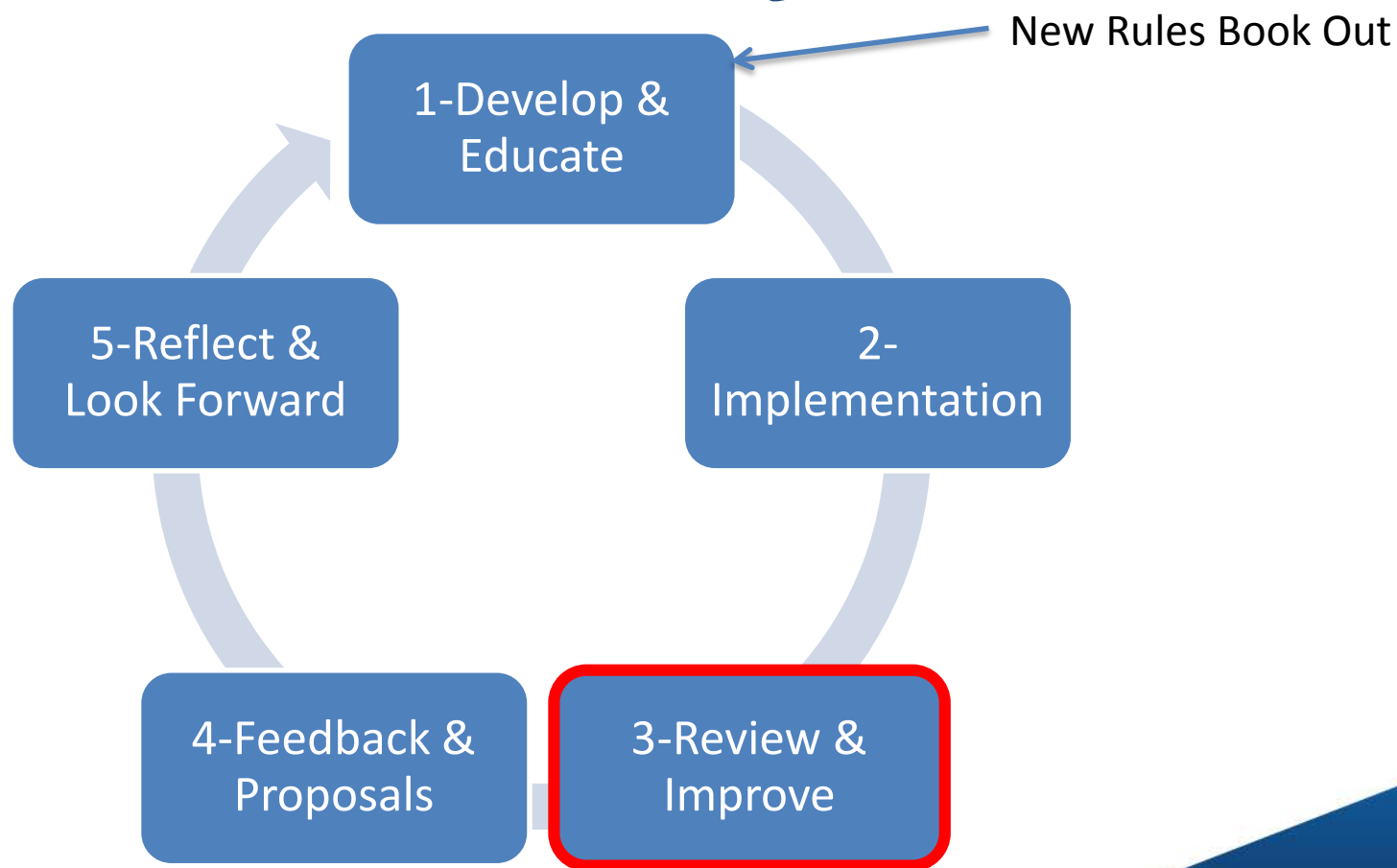
# Step 3

## Review and Improve

- **August**
  - Points of emphasis rules clinic video is placed online.

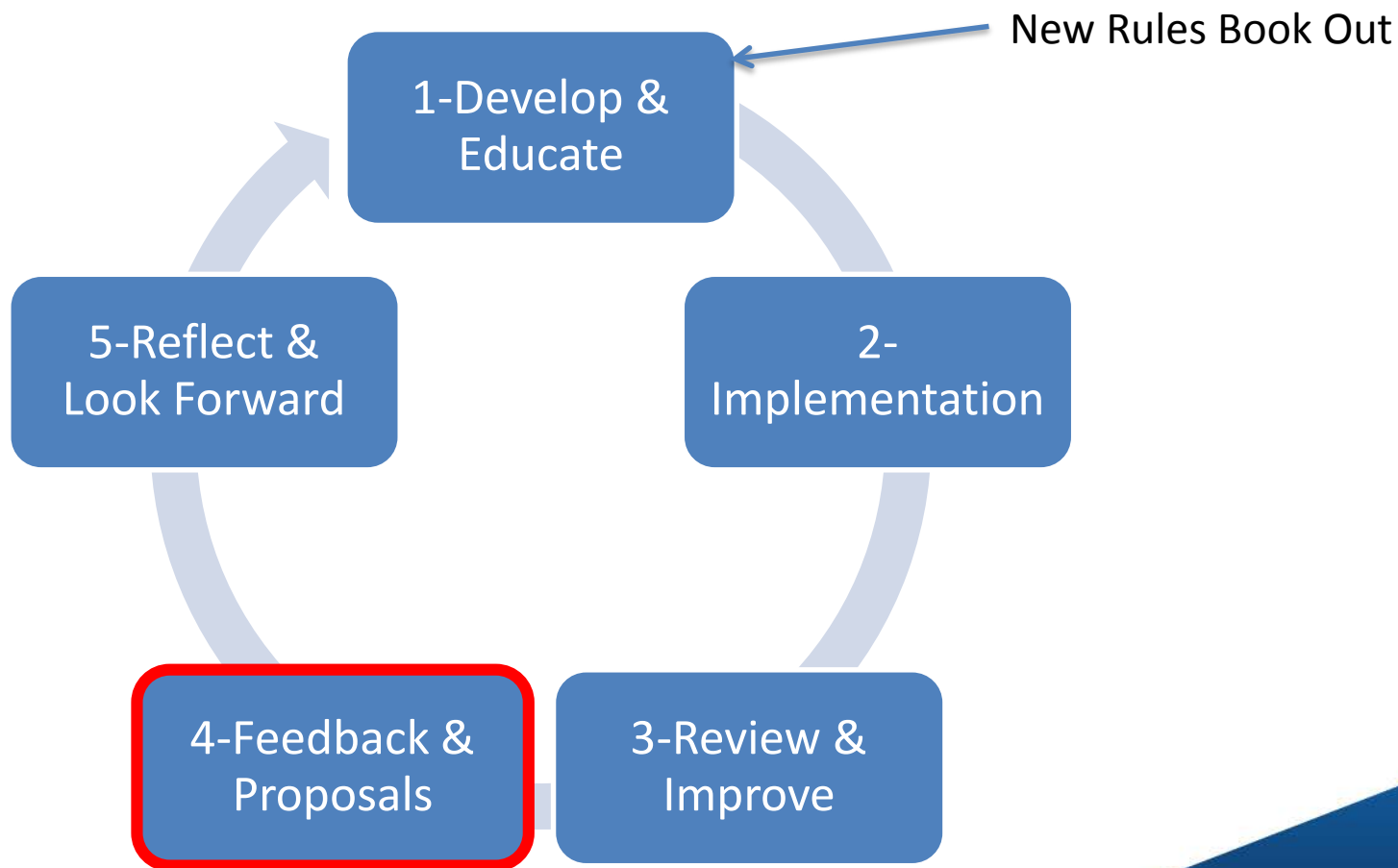


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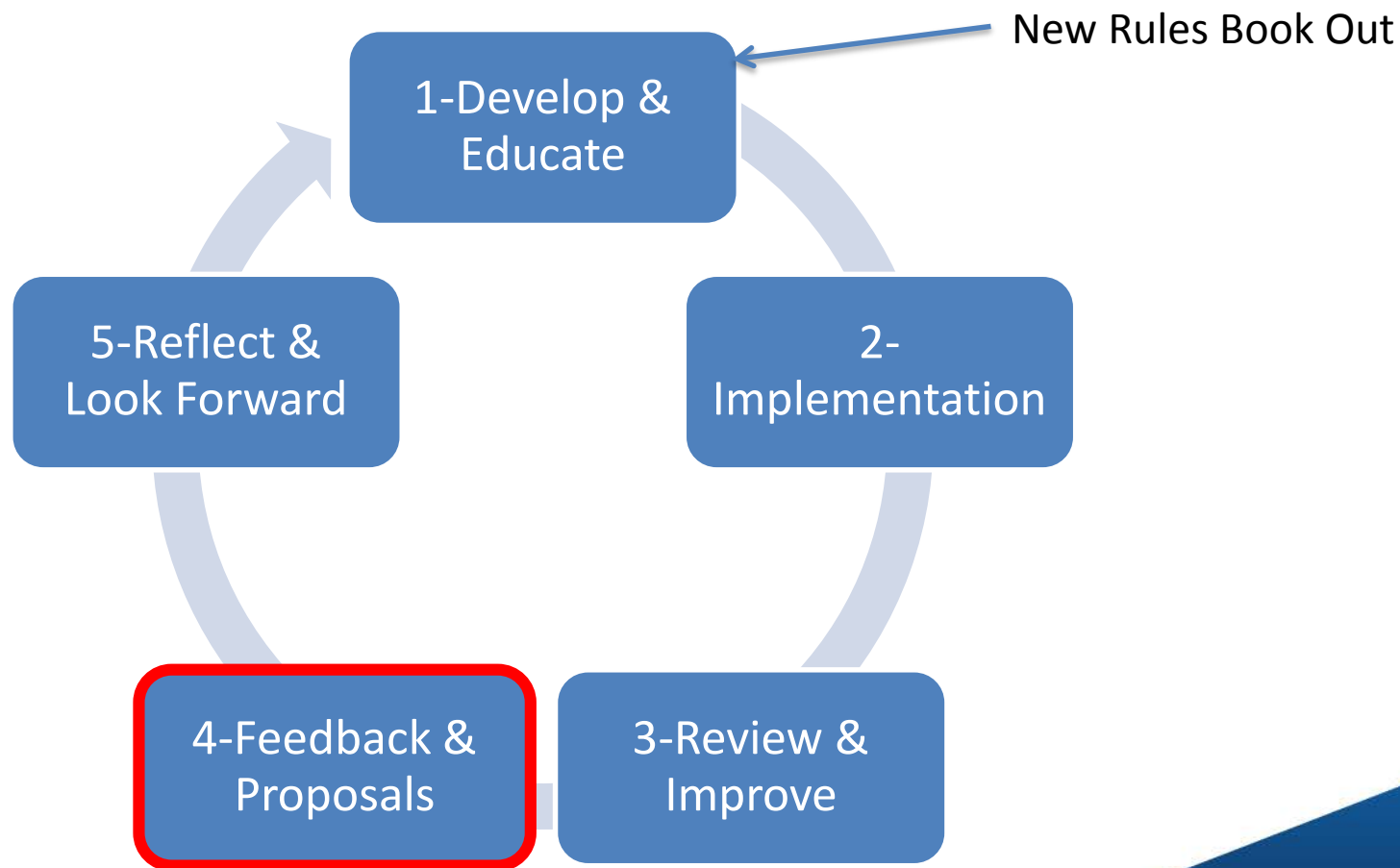
# Step 4

## Feedback and Proposals

- **September – December**
  - Coaches and referees continue working under the existing rules. ★
  - New clarifications or interpretations are posted on the Center Mat.
- **December**
  - Call for proposals. ★

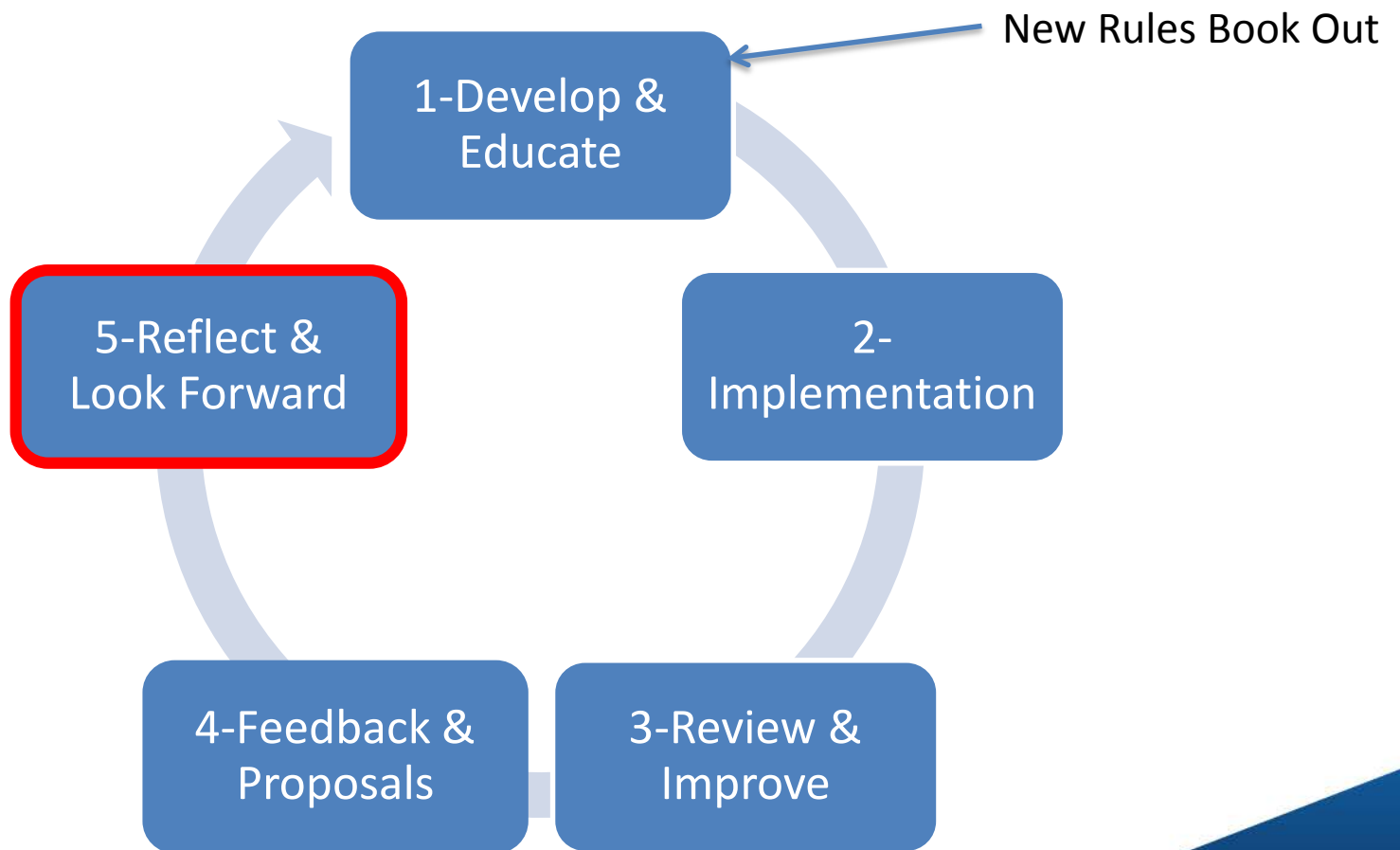


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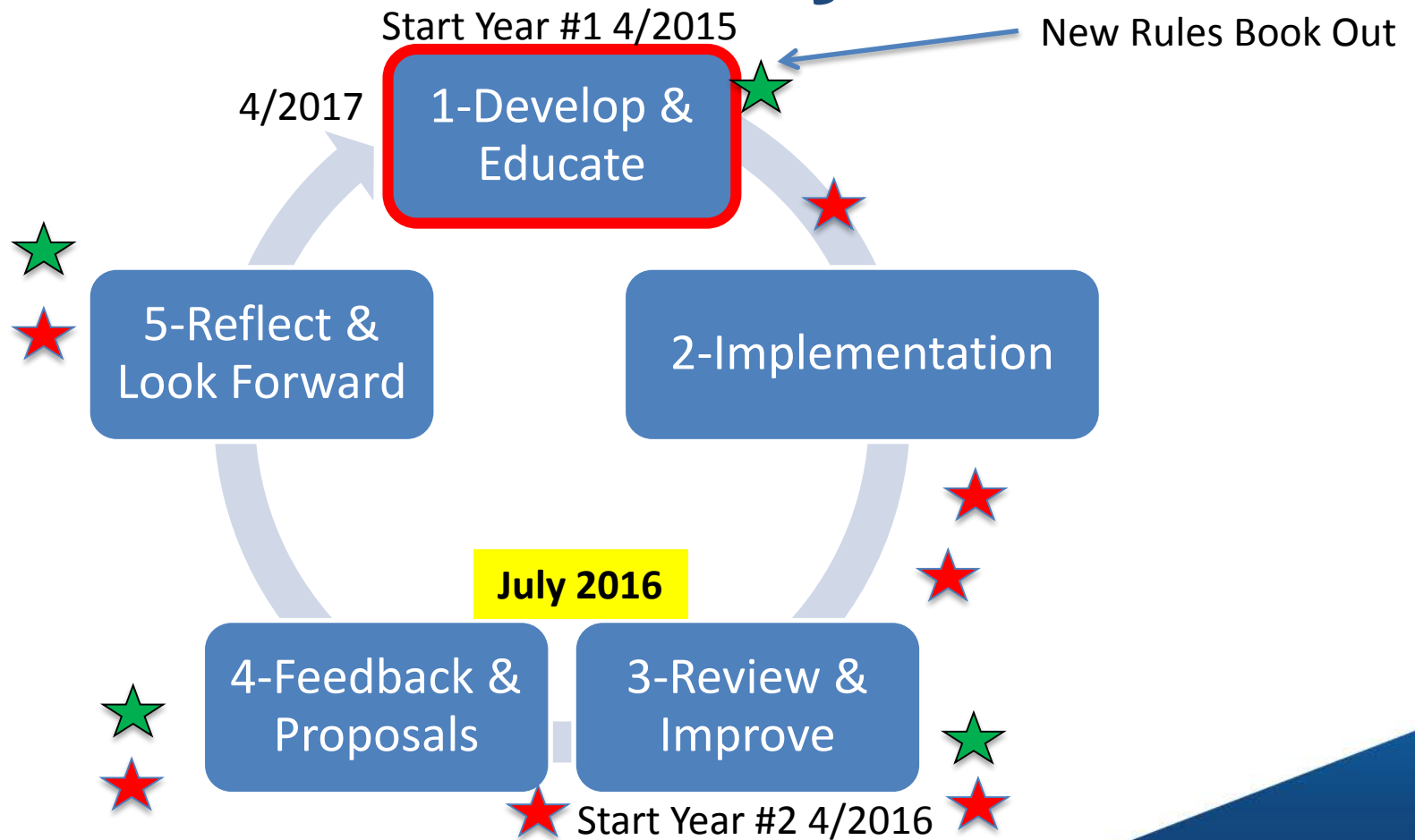
## Reflect and Look Forward

- **January – March**
  - Observe rules fully implemented.
  - Conduct NCAA rules survey focusing on items for future consideration (based on submitted proposals). ★ ★
  - Reflect on all sources of feedback and statistics.
  - Discuss proposals and ideas to improve.
  - Go into start of year #1 again.





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# Interested in Becoming a Member of the NCAA Wrestling Rules Committee?

- Contact Ashlee Ferguson, NCAA Assistant Director of Championships and Alliances, at [aferguson@ncaa.org](mailto:aferguson@ncaa.org).

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