

Resources to Make Informed Consent an Informed Choice

Improving Hospital Informed Consent

[AHRQ's Making Informed Consent an Informed Choice: Training Modules for Health Care Leaders and Professionals](#) – two interactive training modules can be run on your hospital's learning management system

- If affiliated with The Joint Commission, get free continuing education credit at [The Joint Commission's Improving the Informed Consent Process in the Hospital Setting](#)
- [Implementation Guide for AHRQ's Making Informed Consent an Informed Choice Training Modules](#) – provides guidance for implementing the training modules using a quality improvement approach

[A Practical Guide to Informed Consent](#) – describes ways to improve full informed consent—both the process and the written forms—as it is employed in everyday patient care settings

Improving Informed Consent for Research

[The AHRQ Informed Consent and Authorization Toolkit for Minimal Risk Research](#) – helps both researchers and institutional review boards ensure that potential subjects can make well-informed decisions about participating in research studies

[PRISM \(Program for Readability in Science & Medicine\)](#)

- [PRISM Readability Toolkit](#) – describes how to improve the readability of research consent forms and other materials for study participants
- [PRISM Online Training](#) – free hour-long training covers health literacy and readability, plain language strategies and examples, and interactive editing examples and exercises

Improving Spoken and Written Communication

[The AHRQ Health Literacy Universal Precautions Toolkit, 2nd edition](#) and [companion implementation guide](#) – includes tools to help increase patient understanding of health information, including the teach-back method and encouraging questions

[Toolkit for Making Written Material Clear and Effective](#) –this comprehensive set of tools to help you make written material in printed formats easier for people to read, understand, and use includes information on how to obtain feedback from readers