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BRIGHAM AND WOMEN'S HOSPITAL
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Introducing the MRCT Center Clinical Research Glossary

We will begin shortly.

June 30, 2021

11:00AM - 12:00PM EDT



MRCT CENTER WEBINAR

The Promise of Plain Language:
Launching a Glossary to Support Participant
Understanding of Clinical Research



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Session Format and Objectives

Format

- MRCT Center Introduction
- Overview of the Clinical Research Glossary pilot project
- Sneak peek of the Clinical Research Glossary website
- Panel Discussion
- Q&A

(Please note – the slides and webinar recording will be available by next week)

Objectives

- Describe the Clinical Research Glossary pilot project.
- Understand the importance of using plain language terminology in clinical research and having a common harmonized resource.
- Explain the benefits that understandable clinical research information offer the entire research enterprise.
- Identify opportunities to integrate the Clinical Research Glossary into organizational processes.



The MRCT Center is a research and policy center focused on addressing the conduct, oversight, ethics and regulatory environment for clinical trials.



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Introduction to The MRCT Center

Our Vision

Improve the integrity, safety, and rigor of global clinical trials.

Our Mission

We engage diverse stakeholders in the research enterprise to define emerging issues in global clinical trials and to create and implement ethical, actionable, and practical solutions.



Our Ongoing Commitment to Health Literacy

- Since 2019, the MRCT Center:
 - Completed a multi-stakeholder initiative focused on health literacy.
 - Launched a publicly available website on Health Literacy in Clinical Research www.mrctcenter.org/health-literacy
 - Developed COVID-19 pamphlets to support understanding of clinical research (in English & Spanish). <https://mrctcenter.org/blog/resources/covid-19-clinical-research-flyers/>
 - Designed and delivered clinical-research focused health literacy trainings for several organizations and groups.



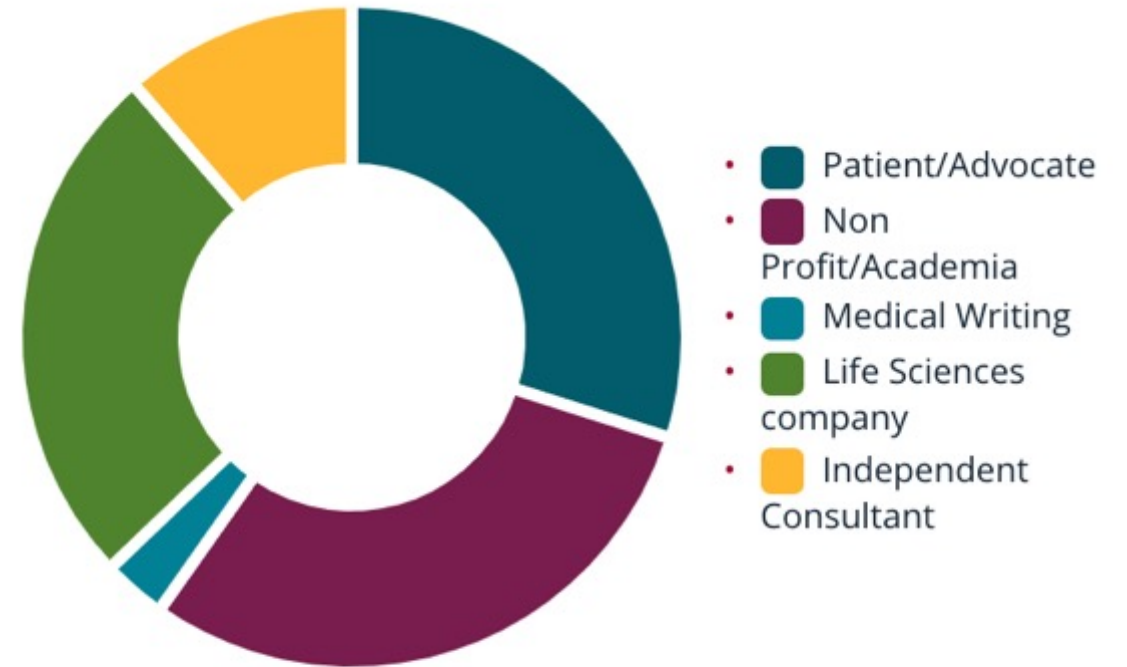
The Need for a Common Clinical Research Glossary

- The Health Literacy in Clinical Research Workgroup identified a need for a widely accessible plain language participant-friendly research glossary.
- A common clinical research glossary to support consistent and accurate use of simplified definitions across the research industry did not exist.
- Harmonizing definitions across the industry promotes a unified approach to best support patients, participants and their caregivers.

The Clinical Research Glossary Pilot: Goal

To pilot the development of a plain language glossary that includes definitions that are:

- Co-created with patients
- Designed for public understanding
- Acceptable to industry and academic stakeholders across the clinical research ecosystem.



Categories of Glossary Workgroup Participants

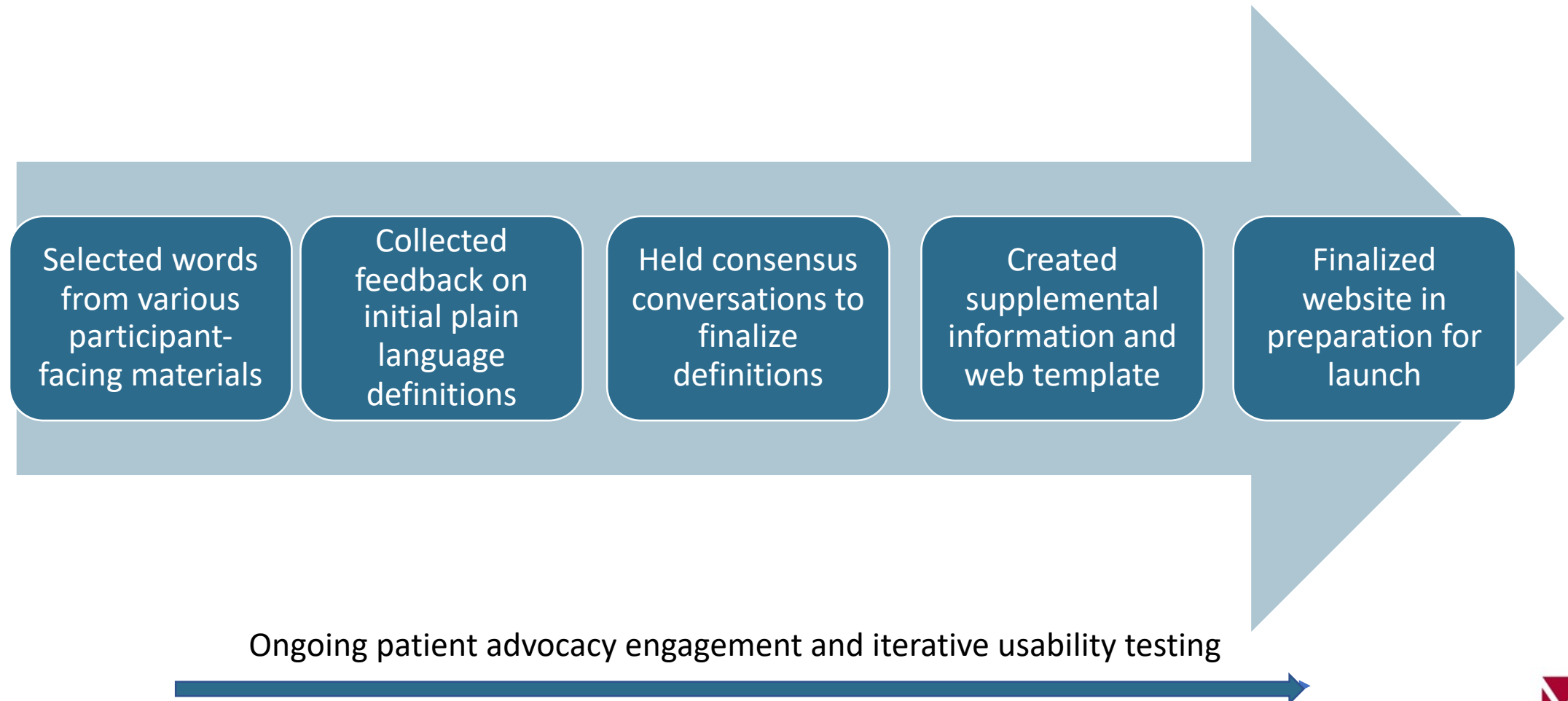
<https://journal.emwa.org/writing-for-patients/promoting-equity-in-understanding-a-cross-organisational-plain-language-glossary-for-clinical-research/>

The Clinical Research Glossary Pilot: Workgroup Members

Name	Organization	Name	Organization
Behtash Bahador	CISCRP	Lukasz Kniola	Biogen/PhUSE
Sarah Balay	Privacy Analytics/PhUSE	Marilyn Neault	Patient Advocate
Stephen Carr	Janssen	Elyssa Ott	Janssen
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Lisa Chamberlain James	Trilogy Writing and Consulting	Robyn Rennick	GlaxoSmithKline
Deborah Collyar	PAIR/Patient Advocate	Marian Ryan	Institute for Healthcare Advancement
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A warm thanks to this wonderful team of collaborators!

The Clinical Research Glossary Pilot: Approach



Introducing:
The MRCT Center
Clinical Research Glossary Website



mrctcenter.org/clinical-research-glossary

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Helping you understand clinical research

Welcome to the Clinical Research Glossary. This glossary is a list of research words and their meanings. Use this glossary to learn more about words that are used in research studies.

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Use the “search” menu to find a word’s meaning and other information.

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The logo for the Medical Research Group (MRGT) is a red shield-shaped emblem. Inside the shield, the letters 'M', 'R', 'G', and 'T' are arranged in a stylized, overlapping manner. The 'M' and 'R' are at the top, 'G' is in the middle, and 'T' is at the bottom. The shield has a white border.

What's Next?

- Urge commitment to using common definitions across the research industry.
- Explore expansion to Version 2 of the Clinical Research Glossary via a multi-stakeholder consortium.

Panelist Introductions



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