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# Patient Engagement in Patient-Oriented Research Certificate

## COURSE OVERVIEW

Need a strong, well-developed patient engagement plan for your grant funding proposal, research study or program of research? This course is designed to help you build one — step by step, with personalized feedback from patient engagement practitioners and experts, including patient research partners.

Whether you're preparing a funding application or strengthening an existing study, the Patient Engagement in Patient-Oriented Research Certificate course offers practical, hands-on training to help you create a well-informed, actionable, and ethical patient engagement plan. Over 7 weeks, you'll explore key concepts and strategies, develop your plan through guided assignments, and receive tailored feedback to improve your work.

## LEARNING OBJECTIVES

At the end of this course, learners will be able to:

- Develop a complete patient engagement plan and budget tailored to your project or proposal
- Apply patient engagement frameworks and ethical principles to guide meaningful collaboration.
- Plan for inclusive and equitable practices, including recruitment, compensation, and dissemination.
- Evaluate patient partnerships using practical tools and reflexive approaches.

## ELIGIBILITY AND PREREQUISITES

### Eligibility Requirements

- Completion of a related post-secondary degree or equivalent work experience.
- An existing project or project idea for which to develop a patient engagement plan.
- Although not required, completion of AbSPORU's free foundational eLearning module **Introduction to Patient Engagement in Patient-Oriented Research** is recommended.

## WHO SHOULD TAKE THIS COURSE?

We encourage those who are currently working in health research as academic or clinician researchers, students, research staff or in health services organizations to complete this certificate course.