

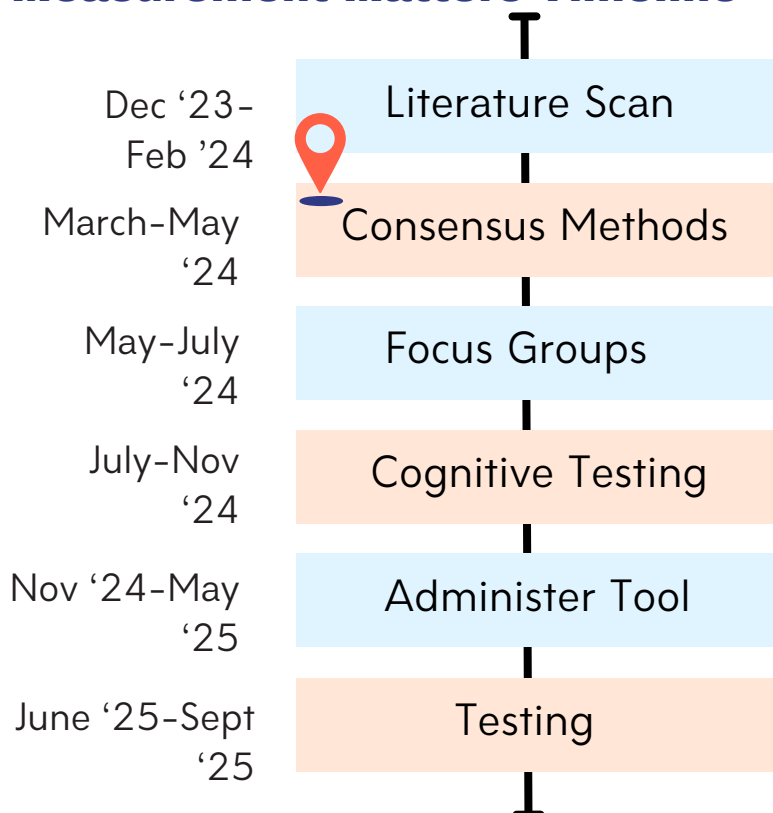
Measurement Matters Newsletter

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What is Measurement Matters?

Measurement Matters is a project funded by the Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI) (SOE-2022C2-28570). This project is creating a new tool to measure research engagement. By “research engagement” we mean the meaningful involvement of patients and other partners throughout the research process, from planning and conducting research to sharing results (PCORI, 2014). The Measurement Matters Project Team developed this Newsletter to keep our many project partners up to date on our progress!

Measurement Matters Timeline



Newsletter Topics

- Timeline and Action Steps
- Engagement Updates
- Literature Scan Updates
- Consensus Methods Updates
- What to Look Out For Next

Latest Links

- 1/29 Steering Committee Meeting [Materials](#)
- Literature Scan Summary [Report](#)
- Consensus Methods [Protocol](#)
- Consensus Methods Outreach [Flyer](#)

Action Steps Corner

Outreach

Help us recruit--share [Consensus Methods flyer](#) by April 4th!

Share

Click here to [share your bio](#) and picture with Sophia

Join

Steering Committee Members join our upcoming meeting on April 5th 12-1:30 pm CST

Engagement Updates

Steering Committee (SC) Launch!

On January 29th, we hosted our first Steering Committee (SC) meeting!

The Steering Committee meets every other month to guide our activities, enforce project values, and uplift principles of diversity, equity, and inclusion. Our SC is still growing, but already includes partners with a range of experiences as engaged researchers and engaged community partners.

In our first meeting, Members shared priorities for our proposed measurement tool. They emphasized the need to:

1. Capture the quality of engagement beyond quantitative metrics
2. Infuse the broad range of community partners' experiences and knowledge about engagement into this work
3. Create an easy-to-use and relevant tool

Thank you to our awesome Steering Committee for diving into this project with us!

Technical Advisors (TAs) Engagement

Measurement Matters is joined by five Technical Advisors (TAs) that bring both community partner and engagement practitioner experience from the U.S., Canada, and the U.K..

Since the project launched, we met with our TAs to orient them to the project and gain insights into our process and goals, the Literature Scan, and Consensus Methods.

Thank you to our wonderful team of Technical Advisors!

Measurement Matters Resource Corner

Access Steering Committee Materials

- Steering Committee Charter
- 1/29 Steering Committee Notes
- 1/29 Steering Committee Recording

Click [here](#)

Activities Update

Literature Scan

What is a Literature Scan?

A method for systematically (but swiftly) reviewing and synthesizing new literature when a full literature review is not possible.

We kick started this project with a literature scan to help refine our definition of engagement in research. The Literature Scan also helped us to compile a list of potential elements that may impact engagement. We will use this list to inform our Consensus Methods and Focus Groups.



What did we find?

Thanks to search guidance from our Technical Advisors, we identified over 80 sources to review and synthesize.

Find our Literature Scan PRELIMINARY report [here](#) and a video about our methods [here](#).

Stay tuned for a presentation outlining our complete findings!

What are Consensus Methods? In our approach, survey participants (called Panelists) complete a series of surveys to shed light on a new, thought provoking topic. After each round, the survey is revised based on panelists' agreement and resent to gain further agreement and clarity.

How Will It Work?

Three or four rounds of surveys will be administered to 'expert panelists' to provide guidance on what engagement concepts should be measured to understand engagement impact. Each round will build upon the results of the last to continuously refine our list of concepts that must be measured. We will further explore these concepts through focus groups.

From our Technical Advisors, we learned about the strengths and weaknesses of Consensus Methods. We also learned how to improve the accessibility of this strategy. Based upon Technical Advisor review and input, we developed our [Consensus Methods Protocol](#).

Who are the 'experts' who will become Panelists?

We want to identify up to 60 potential panelists from the United States with a range of engagement experience, including:

- Engaged researchers
- Engaged research partners/patient partners
- Other community engagement experts, such as engagement facilitators

Nominate Potential CM Participants

Help us identify potential panelists whose engagement expertise should be captured. Please share our [recruitment flyer](#) with U.S.-based panelists by April 4th.



What to look out for:

- **Upcoming Steering Committee Meeting:** April 5th, 12-1:30pm CST
- **Upcoming Quantitative Training:** Dr. Tam Nguyen, our quantitative lead, will provide an optional training on our quantitative methods for this project
- **Literature Scan Presentation:** Stay tuned for a recording of our literature scan presentation that will dive into our process and findings to date

This March, Project Team members joined the Learning Network Kick off Meeting.

The Learning Network is a virtual space for online meetings hosted by our funder, the Patient Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI), to connect Science of Engagement Awardees (like Measurement Matters) to share lessons learned and network with one another. Stay tuned to for more about what we learn at these meetings and how you can get involved!

