# Patient Advisor Welcome Workshop



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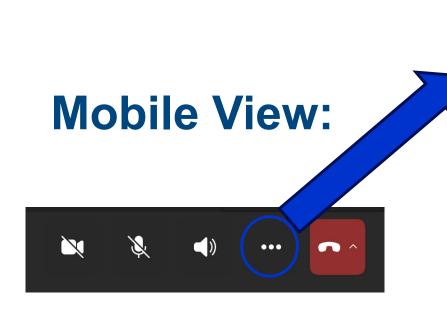


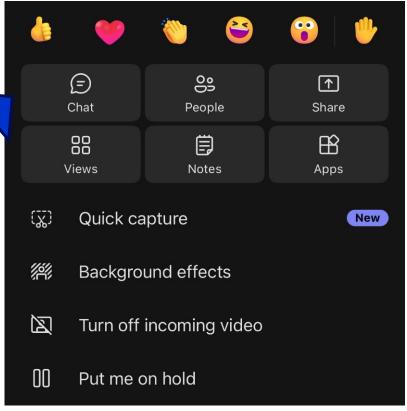












# Orientation Objectives

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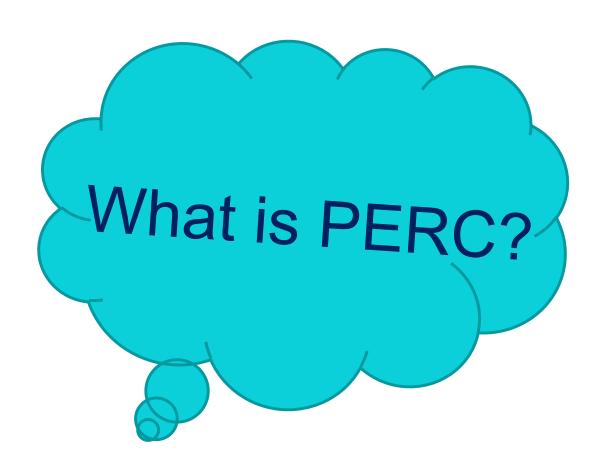
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Patient Advisor Role & Responsibilities

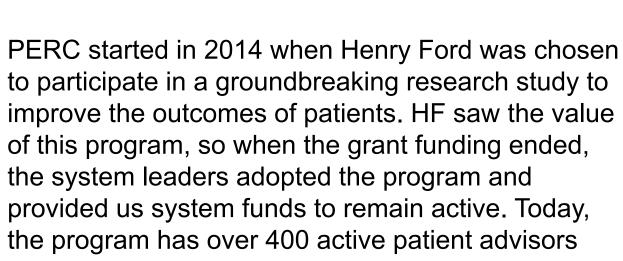
Storytelling

Next Steps





## PATIENT ENGAGED RESEARCH CENTER





#### Meet the PERC Team

Patient Advisor Program



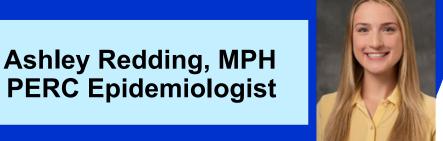
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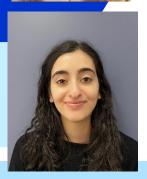
Dr. Sara Santarossa, PhD **Scientific Director of PERC** 



**NEW TEAM MEMBER COMING! PERC Epidemiologist** 



Maya Zreik, MPH **PERC Epidemiologist** 





# Henry Ford Health Orientation

Patient Engaged Research Center
Henry Ford Health

# HENRY FORD HEALTH

## Mission

We improve people's lives through excellence in the science and art of health care and healing.

## Vision

We will be the trusted partner in health, leading the nation in superior care and value -- one person at a time.

### Values

Compassion: We provide a heartfelt experience to every patient, member and each other.

Innovation: We continuously pursue what's possible through research, education, clinical and operational excellence.

Respect: We honor the commitment to our communities by acting with integrity, courage and inclusion.

Results: We reliably deliver on our promise to be leaders in safety and affordability, ensuring the health of our communities.

# Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA)

#### What is confidentiality?

 The Advisor has an obligation to refrain from talking about information learned while serving as an Advisor, without consent.

#### What kind of information is confidential?

- Patient information
- Medical chart
- Patient complaints re: care
- Patient history
- Social worker interview
- Reports of child/adult abuse
- Patient billings



HFH is a smoke-free, drugfree, alcohol-free, and weapon-free organization.

All facilities, including the parking lot.



#### **Henry Ford Health Safety Policy:**

A visitor may be restricted from HFH's campus for threats or acts of violence towards a patient, another visitor or HFH employees, disruptive behavior, carrying any type of weapon, use of transporting illegal substances to the patient, or presenting to HFH impaired.

## **Termination of Services**

We reserve the right to terminate a Patient Advisor if such action is in the best interest of the hospital and/or the volunteer.

#### Termination could result from:

- Excessive absences
- Failure to comply with rules and regulations outlined in this orientation presentation and the Patient Advisor Code of Conduct
- Inability to function in a professional and responsible manner
- Behavior which is deemed as inappropriate

## **Patient Advisor Orientation**



### Who is a Patient Advisor?

- Patients and their family members
- People willing to contribute their own patient experience to the conversation

## What do Advisors contribute?

- Knowledge
- Experience
- Passion
- Patient Perspective



**GOAL**: Improve the healthcare experience for yourselves and others



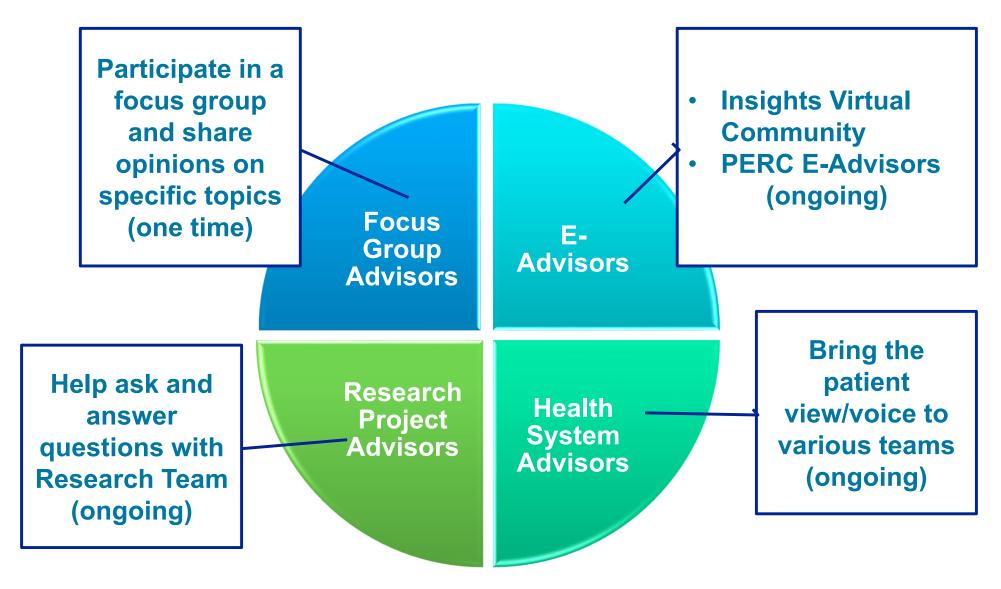


# \*\* Benefits to Being a Patient Advisor

- Helping out the next patient
- Gain a better understanding of the healthcare system
- Appreciate being listened to and having your opinions valued
- Become an active participant in healthcare improvement
- Develop close relationships with team members
- Gain new skills (facilitating groups, listening skills, telling your story)
- Working side by side with Henry Ford staff



## **Patient Advisor Categories**







# Patient Advisor Categories Examples

#### **Example:**

- Henry Ford Marketing Rebranding
- One time meeting
- Facilitator asks questions, group of advisors has discussion
- Provided feedback on new HF name and branding





Focus Group Advisors

**E-Advisors** 

#### Research Project Advisors

Health System Advisors

#### **Example:**

- MyChart Survey
- Questions like- How often do you use mychart, what are the barriers
- Results are then used to understand and improve mychart experience by patients

#### Example:

- Cancer PFAC
- Meets monthly (in-person & virtual)
- Eligibility: cancer patients, survivors, caregivers
- Purpose: Process improvement specifically within HF Cancer/Oncology

#### **Example:**

- Diabetes Research Project
- Meets virtually monthly
- Eligibility: must be diabetes patient



## **Characteristics of an Effective Advisor**





## **Patient Advisors are:**

**S** olution-oriented

Helpful

A ctive Listener

Respectful

**E** ffective Communicator





## S- Solution-oriented



IDENTIFY PROBLEMS
BUT GIVE POWER
AND ENERGY TO

**SOLUTIONS** 

## H- Helpful





#### **A- Active Listener**



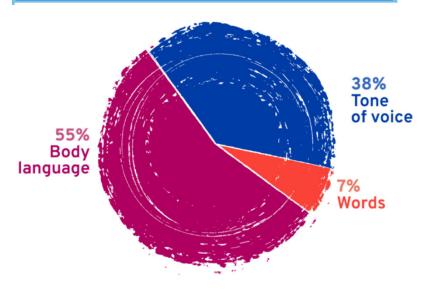
## R-Respectful

- 1. Be Direct or matter of fact
- 2. Express your Concern
- 3. Express your Appreciation
- 4. Not Personal, hostile, or putdown
- Caring, clear, focused on improvement

#### **E- Effective Communicator**



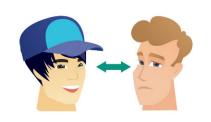
#### **HOW IMPRESSIONS ARE FORMED**



#### **COMMUNICATION STRATEGIES**

#### **Aspects of non-verbal communication**

These aspects vary across cultures. Awareness of the cultural norms in your context will help you communicate more effectively.



Eye contact



Gestures



Personal space



Posture



Facial expressions



Physical contact

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#### At council/committee meetings

#### DO

- Stay on topic
- Remember you are representing all patients at meetings
- Actively participate in meetings
- Share medical experiences relevant to the discussion without identifying someone else's private health information

#### **DON'T**

- Share someone else's medical experiences without their permission
- Bring up unresolved healthcare issues that are not relevant to the conversation (ie. An unpaid medical bill)
- Bring politics, religion, or other sensitive topics to the discussion unless it is relevant

# **Sharing Your Story**

- Sharing your story in <u>an effective way</u> is a very important tool.
- You will have to introduce yourself many times throughout your time as an advisor- think of it as an "elevator pitch".



#### Items to include in your story:

- Name
- Why did you want to be a part of this program?
   (brief)
- Relevant experience or qualities you'll bring to your Patient Advisor role (brief)
- End your pitch with 1 sentence: I hope to contribute by...

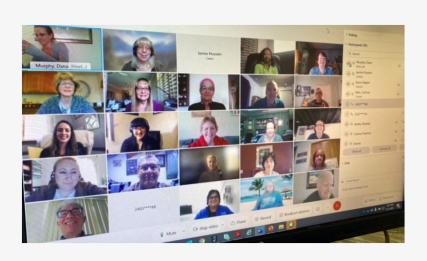


Your story should be short and sweet but with just enough information about yourself so that people listening feel they know you a little better and want to know more. Aim for 90 seconds or less.

## What's next?



- You will receive an email with the Patient Advisor
   Onboarding website
- Fill out required forms
- You will be added to Patient Advisor Program email communication list
  - Monthly E-blast Program updates
    - Upcoming opportunities
    - Surveys
    - Placement Opportunities
    - Events



## Required Forms: Consent Form



- Signed consent to participate in the program
- On the consent, you the Patient Advisor Program will be referred to as a "Research Project/Study"
- A video and written Q&A are available
- Consent is required by Henry Ford Health policy

## **Documents**

Forms below require your electronic signature.

#### Consent Form

I consent to participation in the Patient Advisor Program

#### Demographics Form

 This information helps us know the overall demographics of our patient advisor pool

#### Photo Release Form

- Gives permission for HFH to take photos for internal use (newsletters, eblast, etc.) We like to photograph our events and share with our team and patient advisor pool
- Please personally let PERC know if you do not sign



## Documents

#### Patient Advisor Code of Conduct

- Explaining the responsibilities and standards of patient advisors
- Does not need to be signed



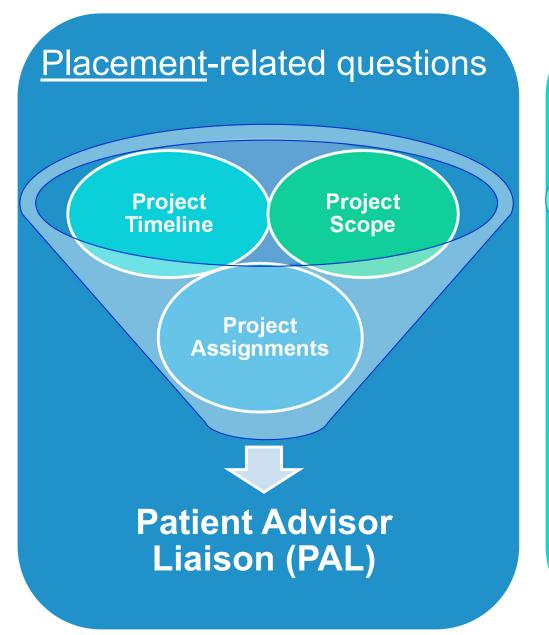
# Patient Advisor Liaison (PAL)

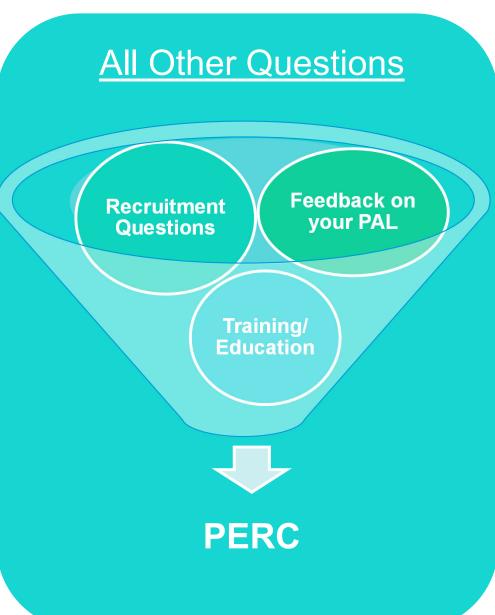
- PA Liaison is the link between Patient Advisors and HFH on a given topic/project.
  - Communication with you on committee/council
- PA Liaison will create agendas and bring relevant topics to meetings for discussion.
- Check-in with you after meetings to make sure everything is going well.



## So, you have a question?







## PERC's commitment to you...

Advisor support

Regular communication and engagement

Networking opportunities

Ongoing contact with your assigned PAL





Thank you for volunteering your time to help improve the health care system!



## **Contact Info**

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