

# Informed Consent

## Getting permission from Research Participants

Informed consent is not just a document that has to be signed in order to join a research study.

Informed consent is a **process**.



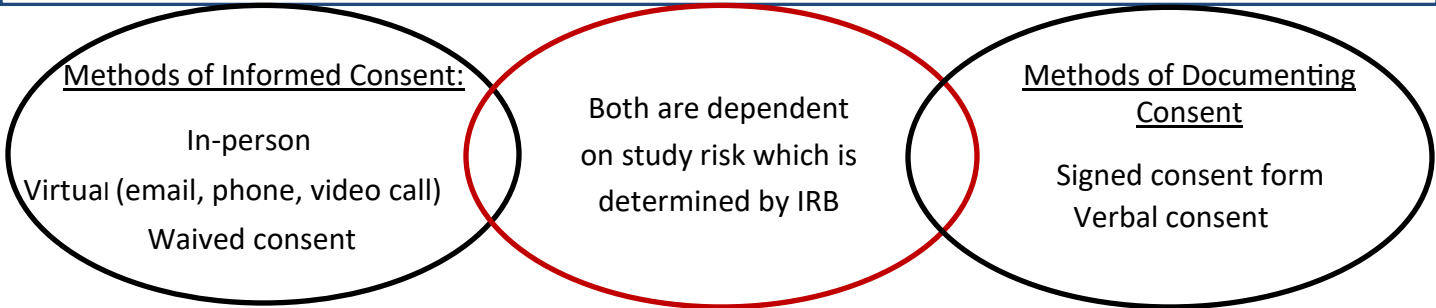
### Informed Consent Documents

**Should:**

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| <p>✓ Describe activities that will be involved in participation</p> <p>✓ Describe participation as voluntary with the right to withdraw at any time</p> | <p>✓ Describe risks and benefits as well as alternatives to participating</p> <p>✓ Be clearly written using everyday words</p> |
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**Should not:**

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| <p>✗ Be provided to participants without first being reviewed and approved by the IRB</p> | <p>✗ Be written in research jargon and be hard to understand</p> |
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For more information on Informed Consent: <https://www.pcori.org/engagement/research-fundamentals/planning-patient-centered-consent-study-protocols> or <https://research.kpchr.org/Portals/0/Docs/patient-engagement-toolkit/Understanding-Informed-Consent.pdf>

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