

The MRCT Center Clinical Research Glossary 04-02-204 Launch Webinar Q&A

1. Are we allowed to use the materials in the MRCT Center Clinical Research Glossary in our own resources?

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Do you have plans to collect and share (possibly publish?) case studies once this is rolled out?

Yes! We currently already have some early adopters of the Clinical Research Glossary and are working to document and share these examples. If you have a case study or use case you would like us to showcase, please contact us: https://mrctcenter.org/glossary/contact-us/

3. Are there plans to translate the Clinical Research Glossary into other languages in the future?

Currently, the MRCT Center webpages have an Accessibility Widget that can be found on the right side of the screen. This "Accessibility Menu" has an option to translate the Glossary into 50 languages, using Google Translate, which members of our organization's Interpreter Services department have described as an acceptable translation starting point. We know, however, that translation is a nuanced process, and we continue to seek volunteer partners to develop official translations of this resource. If you would like to be involved in translations, please contact us https://mrctcenter.org/glossary/contact-us/

The Downloadable PDF and Excel files are currently in American English.

4. Does the glossary also have considerations for different age groups and reading levels of participants as well, such as adults vs. children (i.e. for language in consent forms vs. minor assent forms)?

We make every effort to keep the definitions simple and understandable for use across ages and reading levels.

A sub-set of the definitions we have in the Clinical Research Glossary was reviewed by 5th graders to obtain their perspective on the understandability of the definitions.

As we look ahead, we are exploring additional options to integrate youth reviewers into the process. The annual public review period of new definitions starting in summer 2024, will actively recruit young people to engage in the process. If you know of any youth-oriented groups or organizations who would be interested in getting involved, please contact us: https://mrctcenter.org/glossary/contact-us/

Did you take into account color choices for graphics and make them accessible for folks with color blindness and other visual spectrums? Alt-text/image descriptions. Large icons etc. universal design.

To support users with different visual abilities, all of the images in the Clinical Research Glossary have corresponding alt-text, which can be read by screen readers to describe what the image is showing.

During the development process, images were also checked for adequate contrast in an effort to make the materials as accessible as possible in both web and print format.

The Accessibility Widget on the website also has options to change the size of the text, the fonts, and the saturation of each webpage to help users who may have some type of colorblindness.

From a Universal Design perspective, we have developed an icon legend to help explain frequently used graphics. It can be located under the Clinical Research Glossary FAQs, under question #14. https://mrctcenter.org/glossary/faq/

6. In regards to standardization of terms for the consent document, on the IRB side we call it an Informed Consent Document (ICD). On the researcher side (influenced by industry sponsors) they call it an Informed Consent Form (ICF). I've been considering whether we should use THEIR language or maintain OUR language.

That is one of many examples where the semantics across groups are different and we are working at understanding these differences to see if we can find common ground. One strength of the Clinical Research Glossary is the way it is attempting to create a bridge between different user groups by being available as a CDISC global standard and indexing its definitions within the NCI Thesaurus. https://www.cdisc.org/standards/terminology/controlled-terminology

7. How do we stay up to date on news and updates from the glossary and program more generally?

A great way to stay up to date is to let us know you are interested using this form and selecting which areas you are most interested in learning about: https://mrctcenter.org/glossary/contact-us/