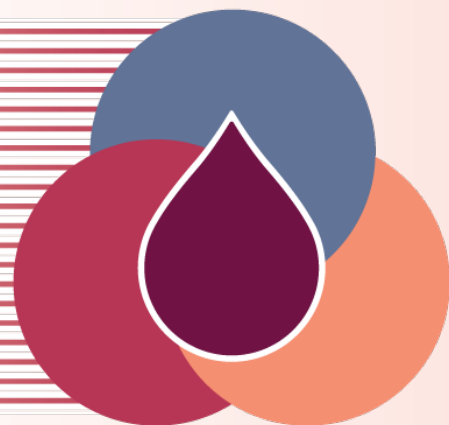




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Washington, D.C.

April 8-9 2022

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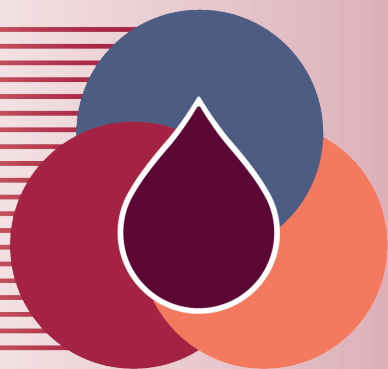
Today's Agenda

Day 2: Saturday 4/09/2022		
7:00 - 8:30 AM	Breakfast (Salons D, E)	
8:30 - 9:30 AM	NHF, Research, and YOU!	Michelle Witkop
9:30 - 10:30 AM	Think Different: SMEs as the Catalyst for Change	Maria Santaella & Esmeralda Vazquez
10:30 - 11:00 AM	Break & Check-out	
11:00 - 12:00 PM	Community Engagement: Can You Hear Me Now?	Ilana Ostrin & Brett Spitale
12:00 - 12:30 PM	Summary of Event & Call to Action	Kevin Mills
12:30 PM	Lunch at the hotel (Salons D, E) and Departures	





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OUR MISSION

The National Hemophilia Foundation (NHF) is dedicated to finding cures for inheritable blood disorders and to addressing and preventing the complications of these disorders through research, education, and advocacy, enabling people and families to thrive.

NUESTRA MISIÓN

Fundación Nacional de la Hemofilia (NHF) se dedica a encontrar curas para los trastornos sanguíneos hereditarios y a abordar y prevenir las complicaciones de estos trastornos a través de la investigación, la educación y la abogacía permitiendo que las personas y familias prosperen.

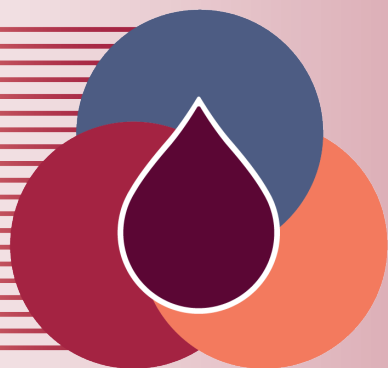
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Michelle Witkop
NHF, Research Department



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**NHF has been funding
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At all levels of expertise & in all disciplines, NHF is funding research across full spectrum of experience in the IBD community

Judith Graham Pool Post Doctoral Fellowship

- For the early researchers
- Basic science
- Pre-clinical research
- Awarded since 1972
- \$52,000 a year for 2 years

Jeanne Marie Lusher Diversity Fellowship

- For the early researchers from diverse backgrounds
- Recruitment and retaining a diverse workforce
- Awarded since 2021
- \$52,000 a year for 3 years

Career Development

- For the mid-level researchers
- Innovative research in subcellular, cellular, animal or human levels
- Awarded since 2000
- \$70,000 a year for 3 years

Innovative Investigator

- For any discipline in the HTC team
- Novel technologies and advanced therapies
- Awarded since 2018
- \$60,000 a year for 12-18 months

Bridge

- For the experienced researcher who applied for an NIH R01 grant or equivalent federal grant but were denied funding
- Basic, translational, patient-oriented research
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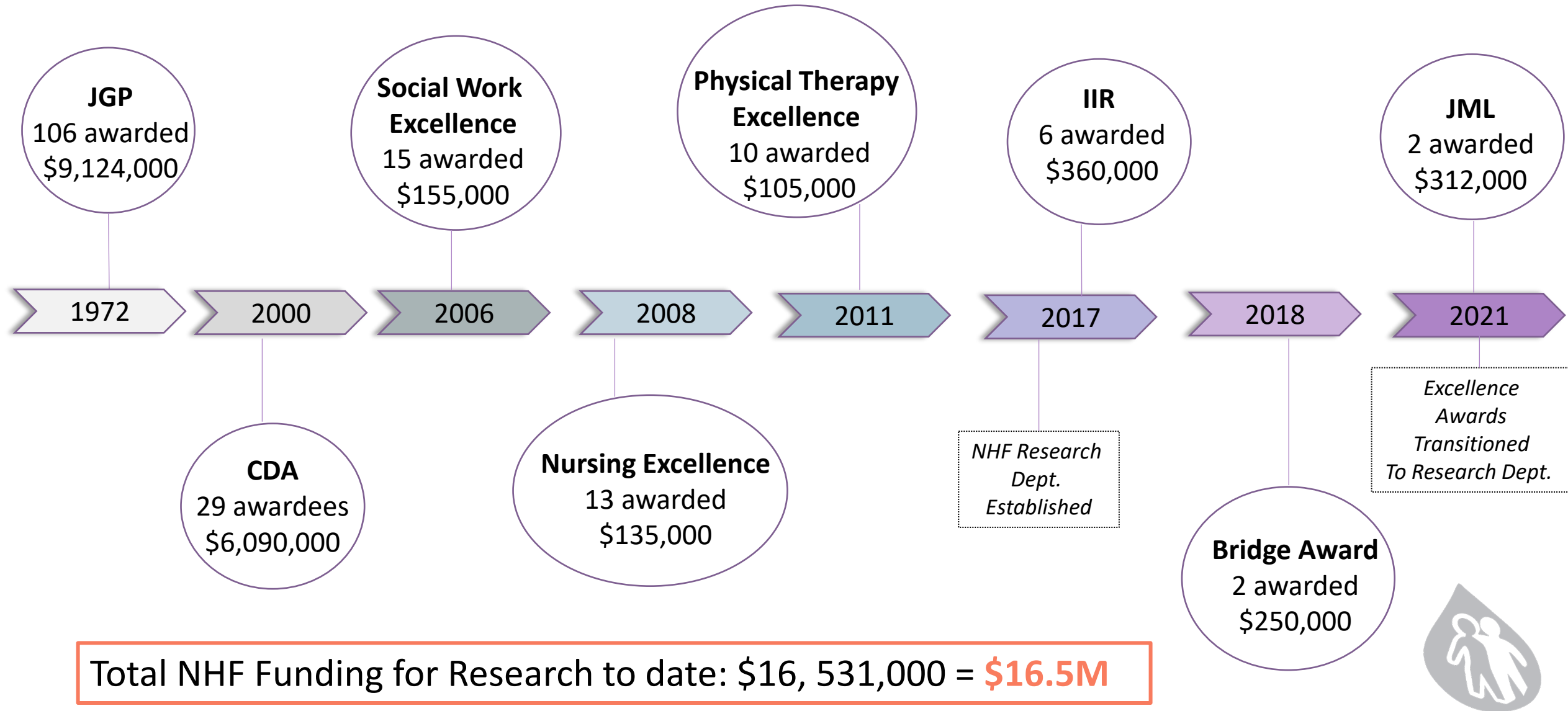
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once a year

- Nursing
- Social Work
- Physical Therapy

Multidisciplinary advances in training, career development, and clinical care



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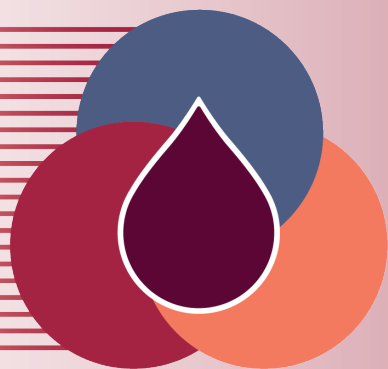
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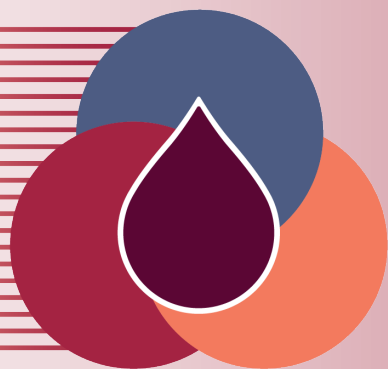
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Temporarily not available
 Approved for marketing

Eligibility Criteria

Age ⓘ : years OR

Age Group ⓘ :

Child (birth–17)
 Adult (18–64)
 Older Adult (65+)

Sex ⓘ :

All
 Female
 Male

Accepts Healthy Volunteers ⓘ

Study Type +

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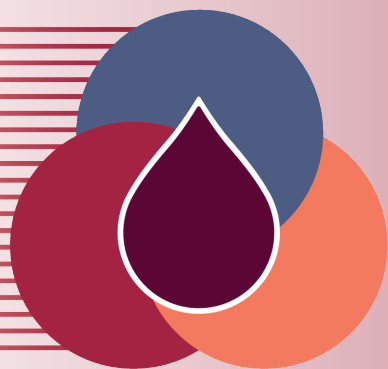
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Community Voices in Research (CVR)

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What is CVR?

A **community powered registry** that uses **surveys** to gather the experiences of people with inherited bleeding disorders and their family members

Information is **confidential** and will always be reported in a **grouped** manner.

Why is it being done?

CVR will help researchers understand **what it means to live with a bleeding disorder** from the community member's perspective

Improve quality of life (**QOL**) and identify research questions important to the community.

Why should I participate?

By adding your voice and experiences, you can help **shape the future of research!**

You'll get **access to:**

- Personalized Dashboard
- Educational Resources
- Virtual Advisory Panels (opportunities for compensation)

Add your experiences by joining CVR today!

For more information, including how to enroll visit:
www.hemophilia.org/cvr or scan the **QR code**

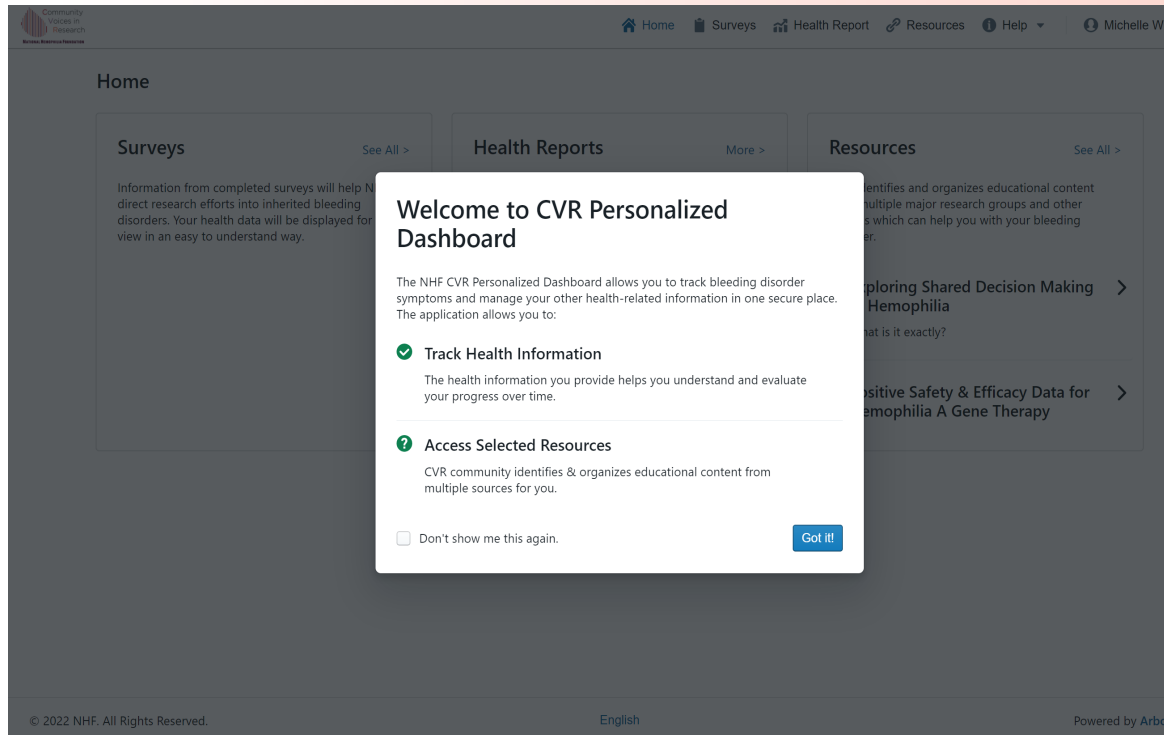


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CVR Dashboard

CVR Opening Screen



The screenshot shows the CVR Opening Screen. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for Home, Surveys, Health Report, Resources, Help, and a user profile for Michelle Witkop. Below the navigation bar, there are three main sections: Surveys, Health Reports, and Resources. A modal window is open in the center, titled "Welcome to CVR Personalized Dashboard". The modal contains the following text:

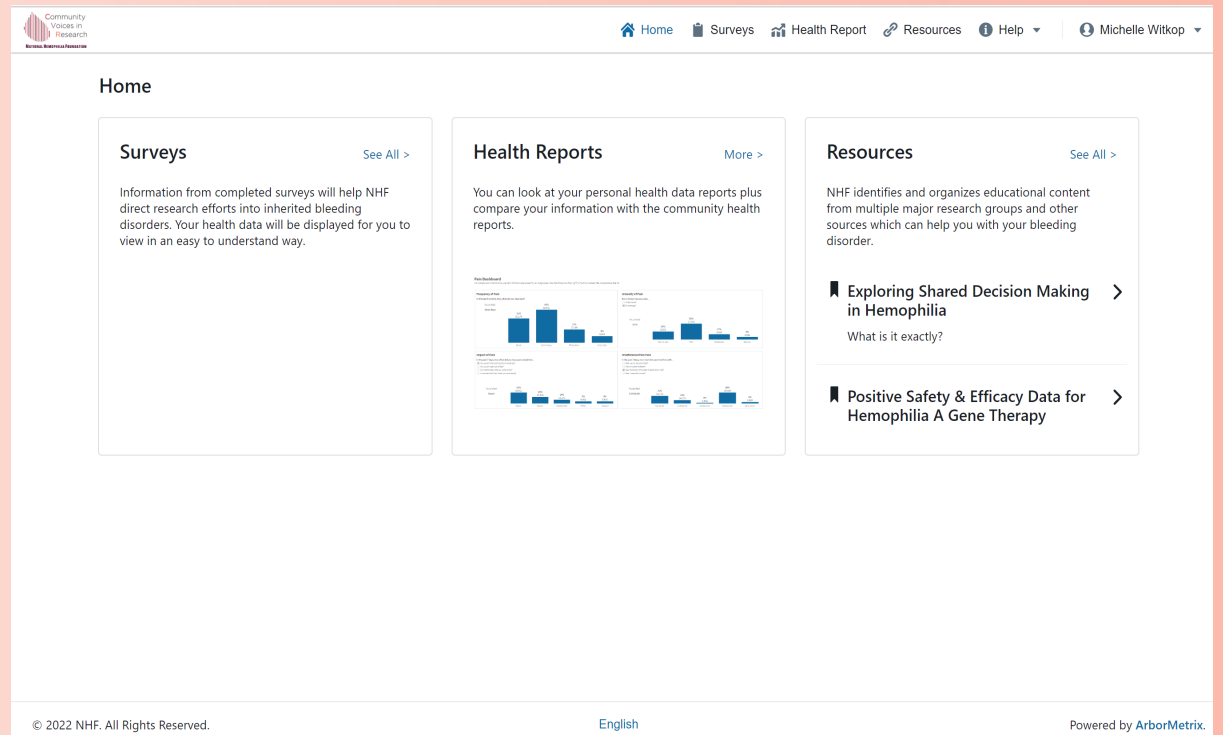
Welcome to CVR Personalized Dashboard

The NHF CVR Personalized Dashboard allows you to track bleeding disorder symptoms and manage your other health-related information in one secure place. The application allows you to:

- Track Health Information**
The health information you provide helps you understand and evaluate your progress over time.
- Access Selected Resources**
CVR community identifies & organizes educational content from multiple sources for you.

At the bottom of the modal, there is a checkbox labeled "Don't show me this again." and a "Got it!" button.

CVR Main Screen



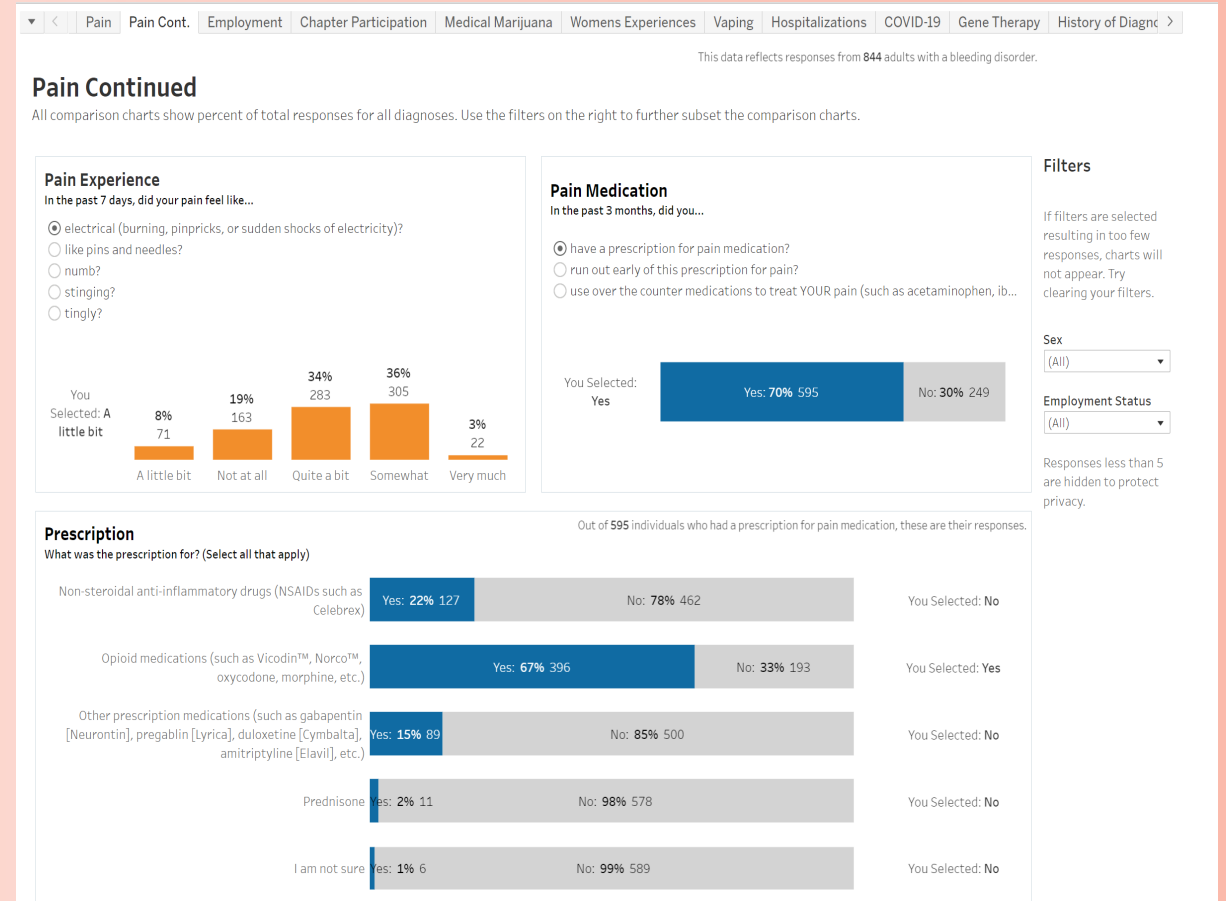
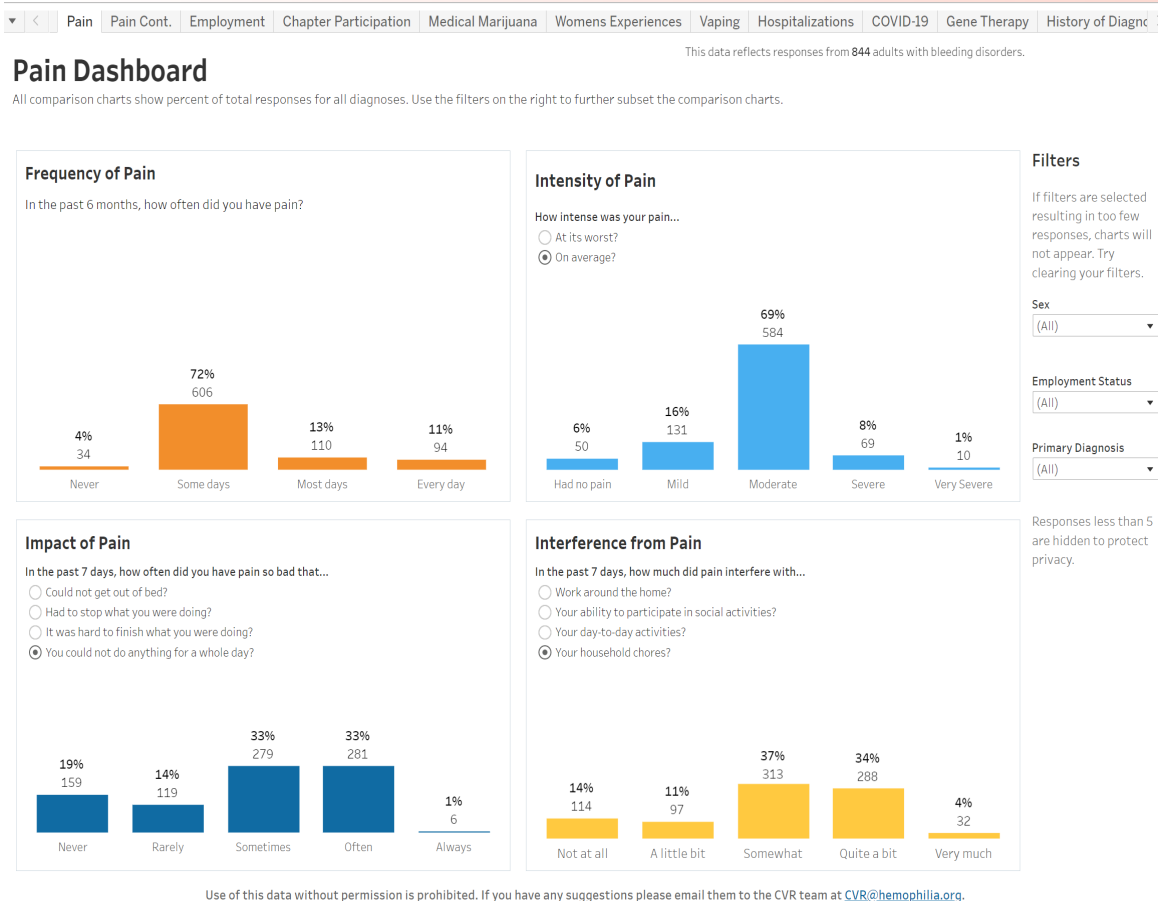
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CVR Pain Health Tile



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CVR Employment Health Tile



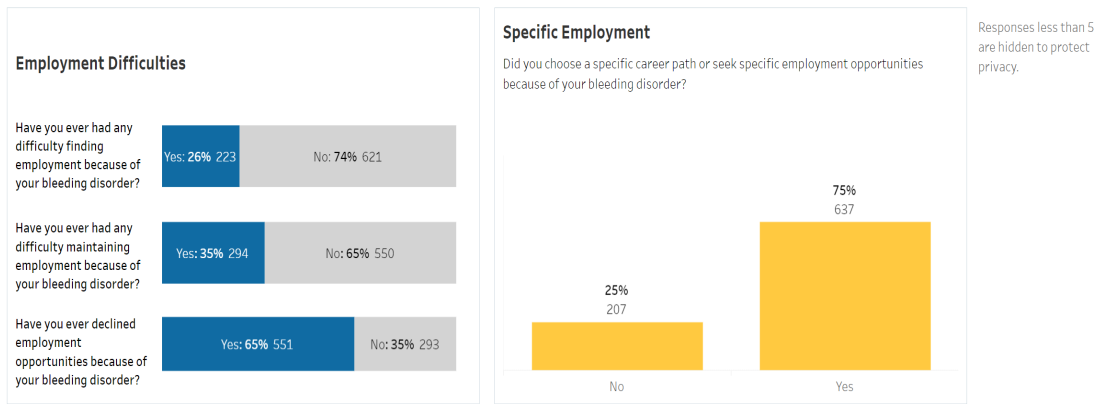
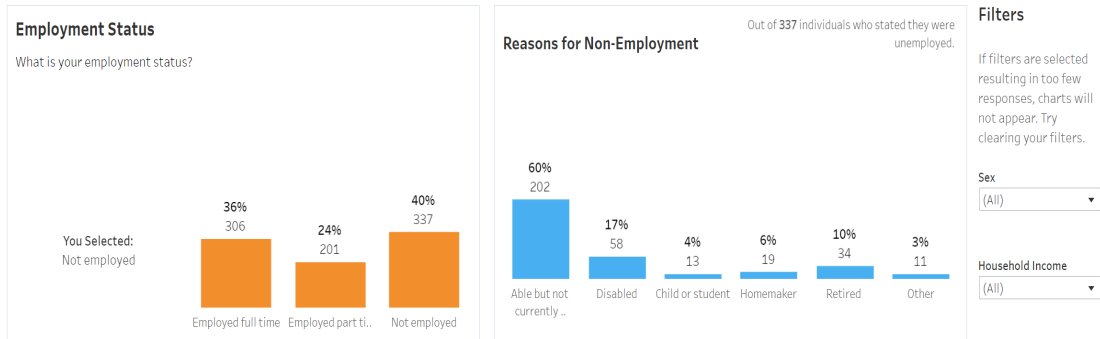
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This data reflects responses from 844 adults with bleeding disorders.

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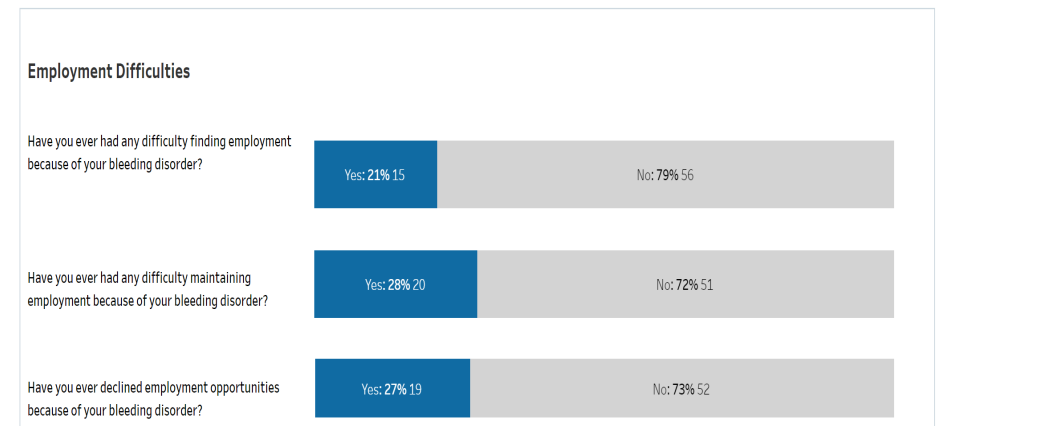
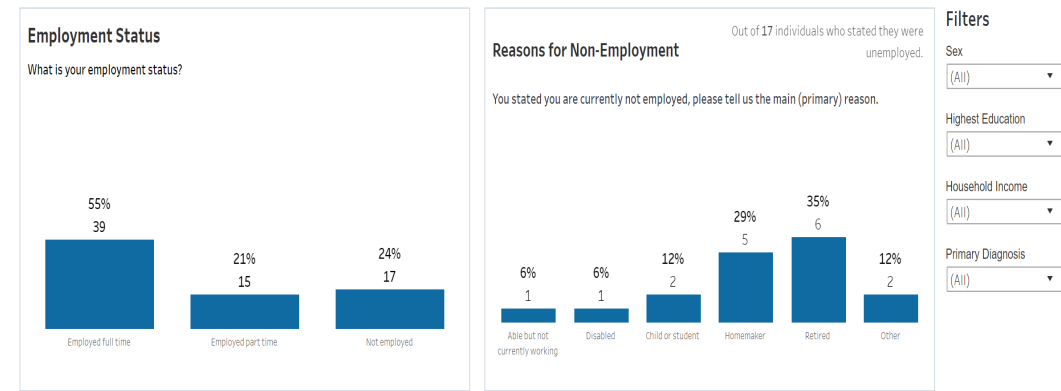
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Employment Dashboard

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CVR Educational Resources



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Acetaminophen Awareness Coalition

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Acetaminophen in the Game of Life



Do you know how to use acetaminophen safely to care for yourself and your loved ones? The *Know Your Dose* game will help you answer the most common questions you might face about safe acetaminophen use. Good luck!

ACETAMINOPHEN IN THE GAME OF LIFE

Choose a character and help them make safe medicine decisions as they journey through a typical day. When you're done, feel free to play again using one of the other characters.

CHOOSE ONE:

Get Tested For an Inhibitor: A Doctor's Perspective [More >](#)

Do you know why inhibitor testing is important?



Inhibitors

Mental Health [More >](#)

The aging bleeding disorders population is susceptible to mental and emotional health problems, including stress and depression.



Mental Health

Rhea's Story: Inhibitor Testing [More >](#)

"...They put a port in him and he couldn't stop bleeding. We're dumping factor into that baby!..."



Inhibitors

The Emotional Side of Bleeding Disorders [More >](#)

It may seem overwhelming at times but managing a bleeding disorder can also bring opportunities for building confidence and strengthening relationships.



Enrollment Goal in Phase 3 Gene Therapy Trial [More >](#)

The phase 3 HOPE-B trial builds on the positive interim results of the ongoing phase 2b trial, the findings from which were included in an oral presentation at the XXVII Congress of the International Society on Thrombosis and Haemostasis in July 2019 in Melbourne, Australia



Your Health Insurance Toolkit [More >](#)

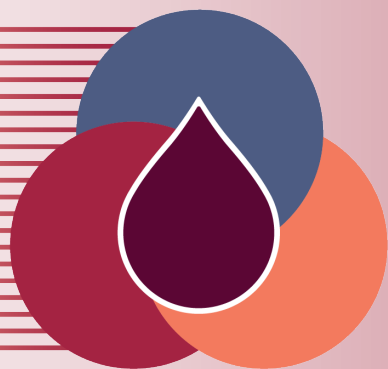
Understanding how to identify and evaluate your health coverage options is a necessary yet difficult and tedious process. Having the right tools to help you through the process is critical.





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Patient Characteristics

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21,641
Patients enrolled in the
Registry

14,447
Patients with Hemophilia in
the Registry

5,409
Patients with Von Willebrand
disease in the Registry

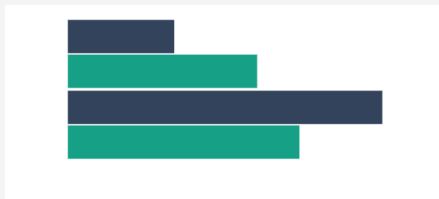
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Patients with other disorders
in the Registry

77,849
Patients enrolled in the HTC
Population Profile

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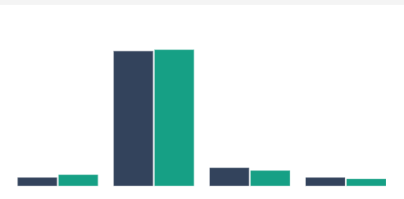
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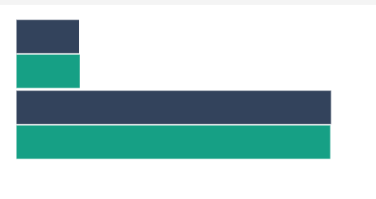
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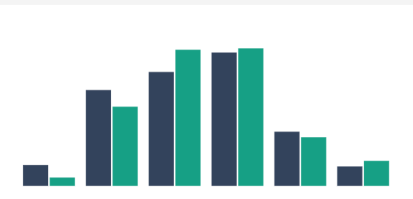
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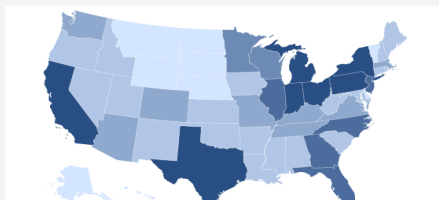
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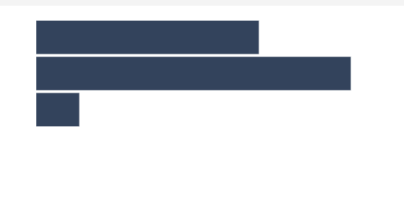


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Patient Geographic Distribution



Insurance Type



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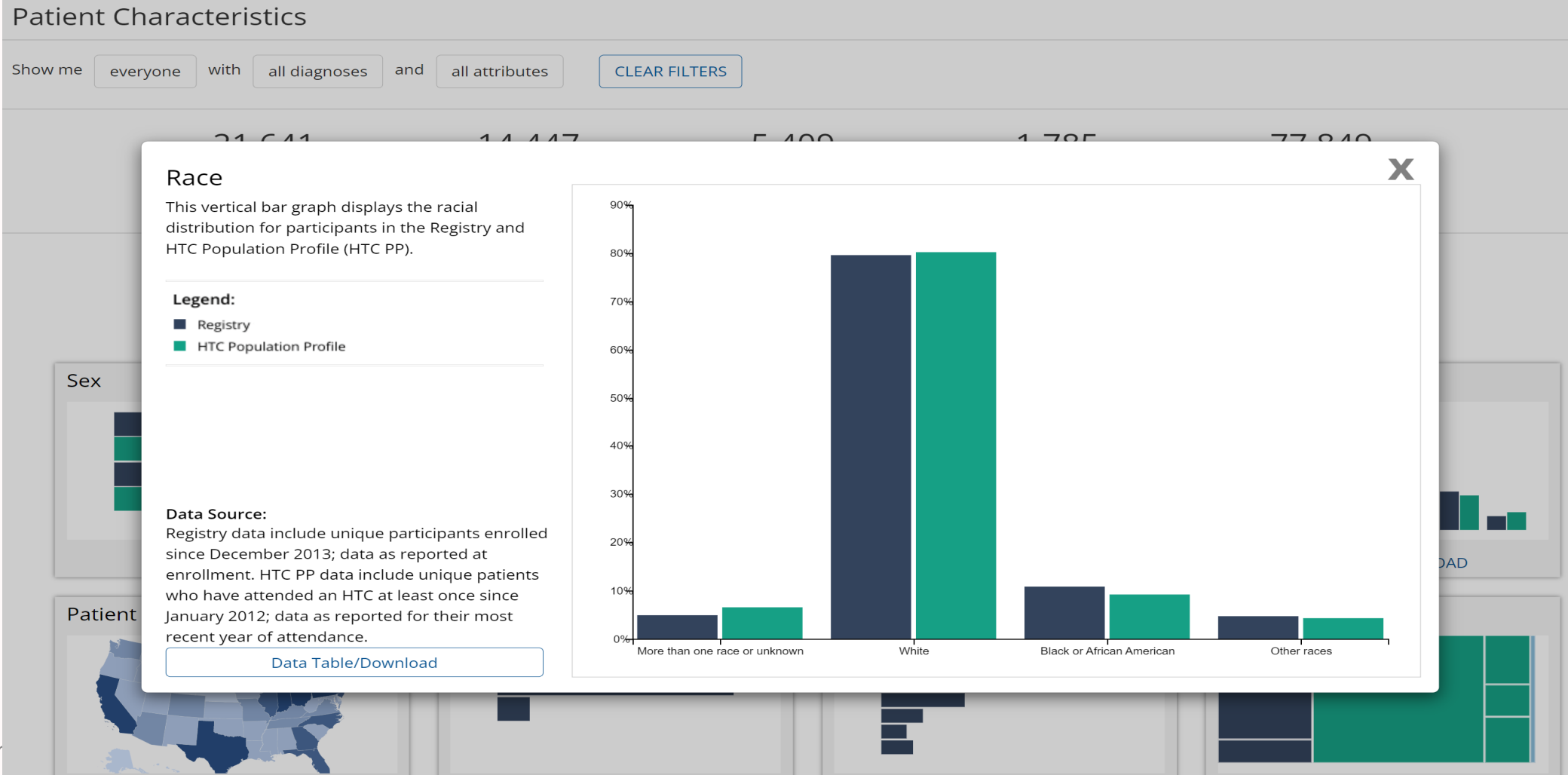


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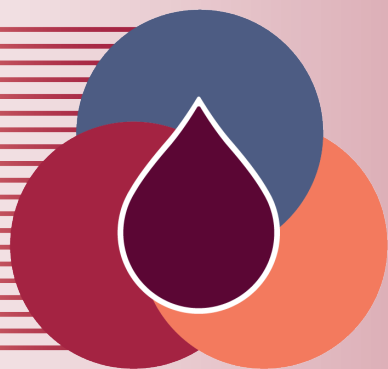
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HFA Community Based Research Network



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COMMUNITY BASED RESEARCH NETWORK (CBRN)

**Empowering women
to be engaged
in research!**

HFA's F.I.R.S.T. Project
Females In Research Sharing & Translation

Made possible in part by a Eugene Washington PCORI Engagement Award.

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What CBRN Members Will Do

- ✓ Attend the training & monthly meetings (date and time TBD per the group)
- ✓ Communicate outside of meetings through HFA's engagement platform
- ✓ Share knowledge and experiences
- ✓ Establish group goals and objectives for the CBRN
- ✓ Establish a research agenda
- ✓ Participate in the planning for the sustainability and growth of the CBRN
- ✓ Share about the work of the CBRN



HFA FIRST & Wired



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GETTING WIRED WITH RESEARCH DURING A PANDEMIC

September 28, 2021

By Whitney Armijo, Research Project Coordinator

In the past two years, two Hemophilia Federation of America (HFA) projects have aimed to empower women in the bleeding disorders community to take part in research and advocate for their own health.

In 2019, the HFA research team created Females In Research Sharing and Translation (FIRST) to gather more details about how women in the bleeding disorders community feel about research, what prevents them from participating in research, and what researchers can do to encourage more women to participate in research. FIRST was funded by the Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI).



FIRST included four in-person focus groups of women with bleeding disorders or symptoms of bleeding disorders. A fifth focus group was done over Zoom and included women from across the country. One of the themes observed in these conversations was that women do not participate in bleeding disorders research because they simply are not aware of any research opportunities that include women.

After the focus groups were conducted in late 2019 and early 2020, the next step in the FIRST project was to hold an in-person training to provide information about bleeding disorders and about patient-centered outcomes research to women. The aim was to empower women to engage in research in the future.

However, because the COVID-19 pandemic prevented any large gatherings in 2020, HFA applied for and received funding from PCORI to promote virtual engagement. This funding was used to create a virtual, web-based academy where women could safely engage with each other and receive education on bleeding disorder topics.

The academy—called Women In Research Engaged while Distanced (WIRED)—was an educational platform created by HFA and tailored for women with bleeding disorders. It ran from October 26 to November 24, 2020.

WIRED Academy

In designing WIRED, the research team used what we learned from the FIRST focus groups to encourage as many women as possible to attend. To facilitate that, the program was designed to be mostly self-paced, allowing women to engage whenever their busy schedules allowed. In addition, live meetings were scheduled on weekday evenings, monetary compensation was offered, and women with all forms of bleeding disorders were included, all as requested by women during the FIRST focus groups.

Through The Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI) funded engagement project, the PRIDE (Patient-centered Research for Innovation, Development, and Education) project, HFA identified several underserved groups related to engagement in research, including females. Females are defined as: patients with a diagnosis or undiagnosed symptomatic carrier, and/or caregiver of someone with a bleeding disorder.

Based on the results of the PRIDE project, HFA developed the FIRST project, or Females in Research Sharing and Translation. The goal of this project was to help facilitate and engage females to become integral members of the research process. Using a strategy known as peer modeling, which educates and strengthens the relationships between stakeholders, HFA identified a cohort of females from which focus groups were created. The main focus of these discussions was to identify facilitators and barriers to participation in research by women with bleeding disorders.

As HFA had anticipated, the key findings from these discussions confirmed that there is a lack of inclusion of woman in any research related to bleeding disorders. Most women had either never been invited to participate in a clinical study, felt they weren't eligible for studies, that there weren't studies specifically for women with bleeding disorders or had conflicts around time constraints due to work and family obligations.



What can you use this information for?



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- Understand your disorder
- Understand where the community stands on different topics
- Being an informed consumer
- Shared decision-making with your provider
- Chapters – grant opportunities
- Share information with legislators during Legislative Days



Some of the Ways NHF Amplifies Your Voice



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- Gathering Voices - <https://gather.video/sAqs>
- Virtual Advisory Panels (VAPs)
- National Research Blueprint
- Community Voices in Research



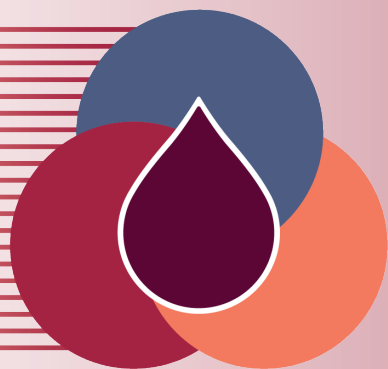
NHF needs your help

- NHF website redesign
- CDC Data Visualization Tool in collaboration with ATHN
- CVR Stakeholder Committee (after transition to new platform vendor)
- THSNA / NHF Partnership - <https://gather.video/sAqs>





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Think Different: SMEs as the Catalyst for Change

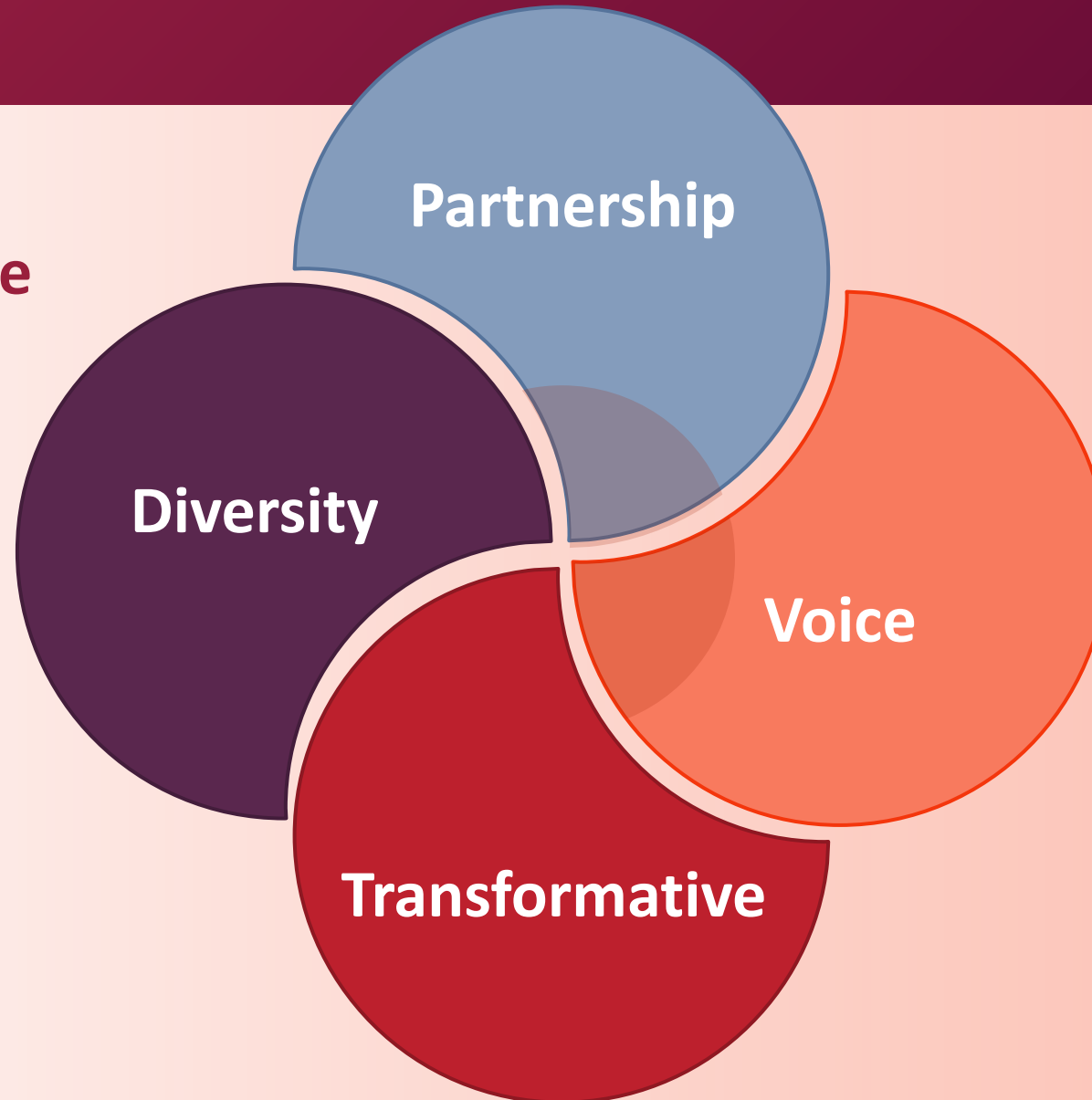
Esmeralda Vazquez & Maria Santaella
SME & NHF, Research Department

What does being an SME mean to me



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**Our lived experience
cannot be taught!**



Community Based Participatory Research in MY Community (CBPR)



Developing Community Partnerships

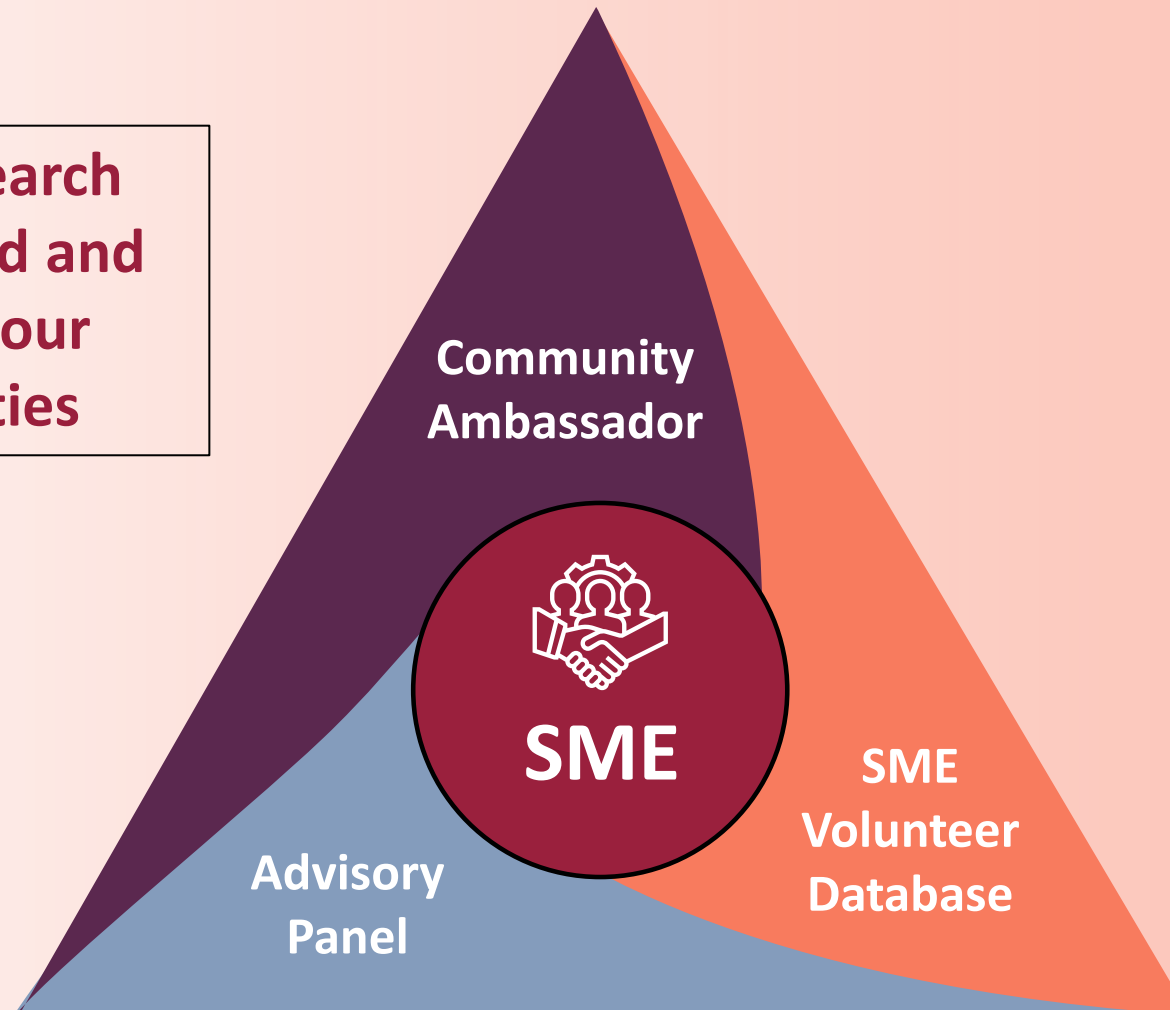


These are some of my ideas



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**Ensuring that research
is patient-centered and
representative of our
diverse communities**

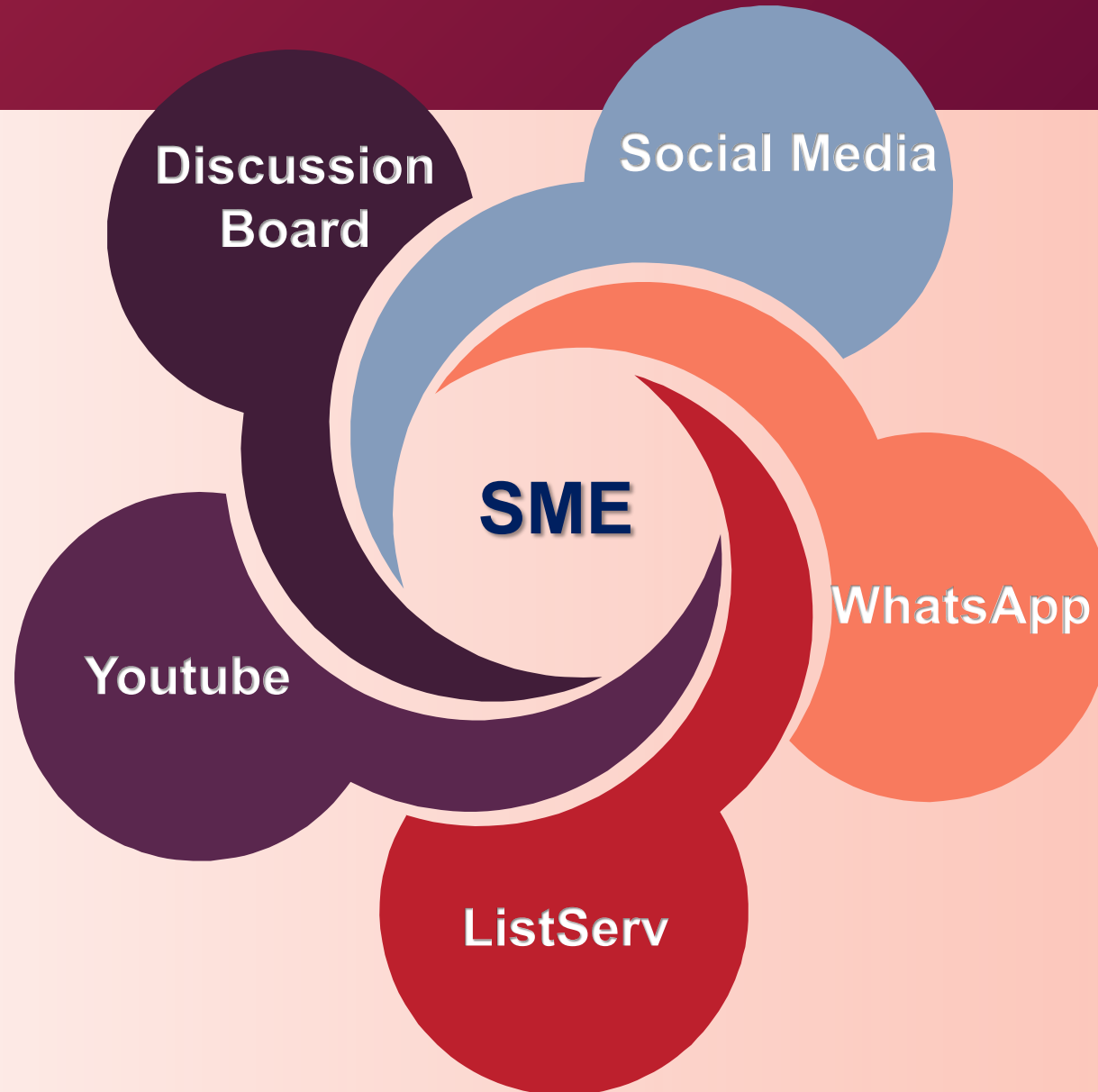


Digital Community Engagement



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A place to be heard!



What are your ideas?



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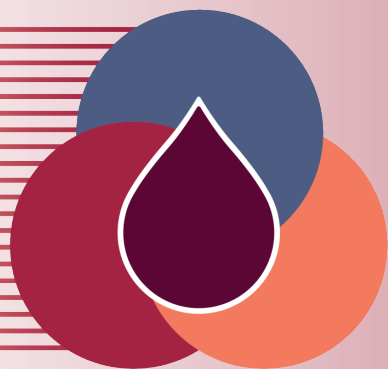
A stack of three overlapping sticky notes in shades of blue, orange, and red, held together by a silver paperclip. The top blue note contains the text "We would love to hear from you!".

**We would
love to
hear from
you!**





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Community Engagement: Can you hear me know?

Ilana Ostrin & Brett Spitale

NHF, Communications Department

Welcome!



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VP, Advancement

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Senior Director, PR & Communication

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Community Engagement 101



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Community informed

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Community as advisors

Community involvement

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Community as collaborators

Community direction

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Community as vocal leaders

GREATER COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT



Community Engagement 101



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***Your involvement
is key!!!***



Recruitment & Engagement



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***You
can
help!***



Recruitment & Engagement (Cont'd)



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***You might
find studies
that are
right for you
via these
ways***

Digital

- Web advertising
- Email newsletters, etc.

Social

- Paid social media advertising (boosted, influencer, etc.)
- Organic social

Traditional

- In-person events (community health fairs, etc.)
- Print materials (direct mail, brochures, etc.)
- Radio/TV/print publication advertising



Social Media as a Recruitment Tool



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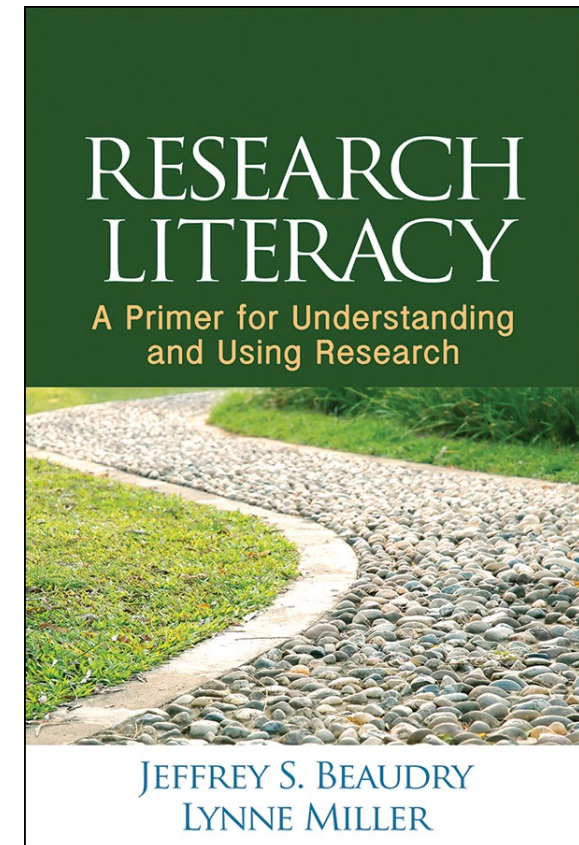


What is Research Literacy?



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The capacity to obtain, process and understand basic information needed to make informed decisions about research participation



HemAware as a Resource



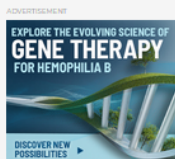
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Contact HANDI, NHF's resource center for additional information on bleeding disorders.
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A Brief History of Gene Therapy: What It Means and Its Promise for the Hemophilia B Community

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Over 10,000 individuals worldwide have been treated with various gene therapy products. Gene therapy is a medical treatment that uses DNA to treat a genetic condition, and it is transforming the treatment landscape in formerly incurable conditions where it has been studied.

The history of gene therapy begins with DNA, a set of step-by-step instructions that cells use to make proteins we need to survive and live healthily. But there are times when the DNA we have is altered and prevents our cells from making fully functional proteins, which can undermine our health. Gene therapy is an innovative, transformative treatment approach that aims to address these underlying genetic mutations to treat or cure a condition.

The first attempts at gene therapy began in 1970. Since then, the science advanced rapidly and in 2007, scientists identified effective vehicles for delivering new genes into cells. Designated as "vectors," these vehicles, commonly made from adeno-associated viruses (AAV), are inactivated viral shells that excel at getting into specific targeted cells, which makes them ideal for situations where a specific issue or organ is the cause of a disease. Currently, there are more than 250 AAV-based clinical trials underway across a variety of conditions.

In the case of hemophilia B, the liver cells, which normally make the blood-clotting proteins needed to stop bleeding, contain a mutation in the F9 gene that results in insufficient levels of Factor IX (FIX) being produced. Gene therapy offers great promise in replacing the single altered gene to allow the body to generate its own stable levels of FIX in the liver. The first gene therapy trial for hemophilia B was initiated in 1999 and by 2018 a number of late-stage clinical trials utilizing AAV-based gene therapy for hemophilia B were underway. In clinical trials, AAV-based gene therapy in hemophilia B has produced stable FIX activity for over eight years of follow-up with sustained decreases in annualized bleed rate (ABR) and FIX replacement therapy. Clinical trials for other gene therapies are still ongoing and currently no hemophilia B gene therapy has received FDA approval.

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In 2020, CSL Behring acquired global rights to commercialize the investigational AAV-based gene therapy etranacogene dezaparvovec, also known as EtranaDez, which is in development in the ongoing, pivotal HOPE-B clinical study. The HOPE-B phase 3 pivotal trial enrolled 54 subjects with severe or moderately severe hemophilia B.

To learn more about the evolution of gene therapy for hemophilia B, please visit www.HemEvolution.com.



Demystifying Clinical Trials



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“I’m not sure a clinical trial is right for me.”

Consult with your medical team and loved ones before committing to a trial. However, your participation can help better outcomes for others with similar conditions. Plus, you’ll receive special care from health care professionals and receive access to cutting edge treatments before the general public.

“I had a bad experience with a clinical trial before.”

So sorry to hear you had a negative experience. Each study is different and there is always the option to report any issues to the review board or the compliance officer.

“I don’t have the time or money to be in a trial.”

Most studies compensate your time and travel! Organizations, charities, or foundations can also help offset any needs.

“My privacy would be at risk in a clinical trial.”

When you are involved in a trial, your data is anonymized when shared with relevant parties. Remember that your identity will be protected and that your involvement will help create positive outcomes for other patients and families.



Your Participation is Needed



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“In a 2020 analysis of the global participation in clinical trials, the FDA highlighted the vast difference between the enrolled participants and the global population. Of 292,537 participants in clinical trials globally, **76% were white, 11% were Asian and only 7% were Black.**”

*Sharma, A., Palaniappan, L. Improving diversity in medical research. Nat Rev Dis Primers 7, 74 (2021).
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A SAMPLING OF WHAT WE'VE LEARNED SO FAR:

SEXUAL ACTIVITY

DO YOU HAVE ANY LIMITATIONS WITH SEXUAL ACTIVITY DUE TO YOUR BLEEDING DISORDER?



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nhf_hemophilia Love is in the air with Community Voices in Research (CVR), the first community-powered registry that gathers information directly from affected individuals and their family members. Here's a sample of what we've learned so far about sexual health. Visit the [#linkinbio](#) to learn more and share your experiences.

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josephburkearts I sincerely applaud you guys @nhf_hemophilia for sharing this info. As a severe hemophiliac with permanent joint deformation, it's challenging opening up



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THSNA and NHF Partnership Q&A



NHF is partnering with THSNA to answer important community questions like those listed below. Answer as many as you would like using this video recording link! Please start by stating your first name.



1. Do you feel like your sex and/or gender has impacted the care you have received related to your blood/bleeding disorder? Or - Do you feel your blood/bleeding disorder care has been impacted by your sex and/or gender.
2. Have you ever suffered from depression because of your blood/bleeding disorder?
3. Are you aware of the new recommendations for care of those with VWD?
4. Does your lab or workplace have active equity and diversity efforts?
5. What would make your care better?
6. Has a medical professional -- or even a friend or family member -- ever told you that pain was just in your head?
7. What BD do you have? How long did it take your rare bleeding disorder to get diagnosed?
8. If gene therapy were approved this year and you were eligible to receive it, would you a) receive gene therapy right away b) wait until some time has passed to see how others do with it outside clinical trials or c) never consider having it

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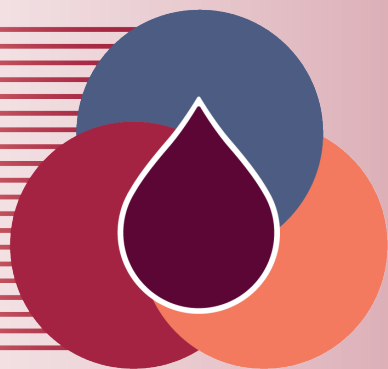
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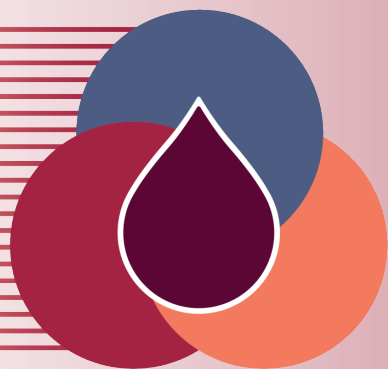
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Kevin Mills

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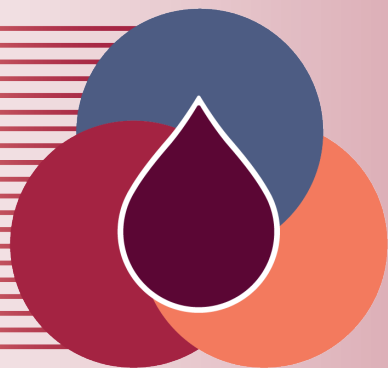
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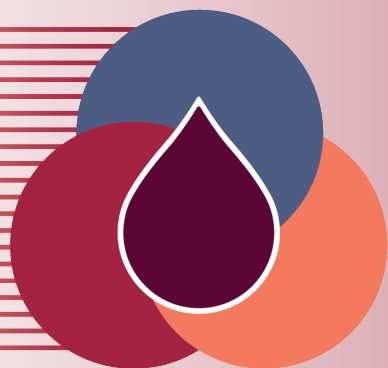
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blood
disorders
...begins with
research



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The National Hemophilia Foundation (NHF) is dedicated to finding cures for inheritable blood disorders and to addressing and preventing the complications of these disorders through research, education, and advocacy, enabling people and families to thrive.

NUESTRA MISIÓN

La Fundación Nacional de Hemofilia (NHF) se dedica a encontrar curas para los trastornos sanguíneos hereditarios y a abordar y prevenir las complicaciones de estos trastornos a través de la investigación, la educación y la abogacía permitiendo que las personas y familias prosperen.

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What did we hear?



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- **Inclusion** → Bringing the community to research; bringing research to the community
- **Communication** → Listening becomes hearing become understanding
- **Collaboration** → Pooling our talents; pulling together
- **Participation** → Every grain of sand builds the sandcastle



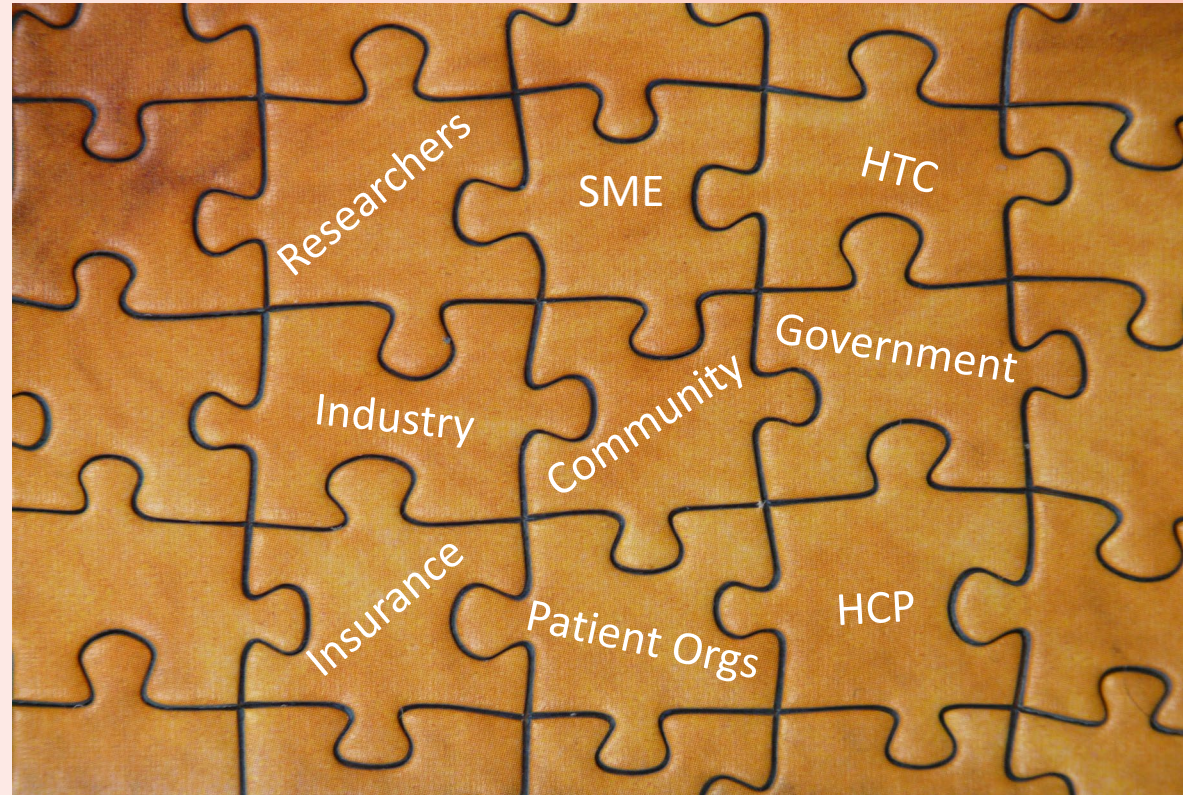
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Our Collective Call to Action



**Get Involved! – There’s No Time Like Now
To Get in The Mix**



**Make Your Voice Heard! – Don’t Just Sing
in the Shower**



Lead From the Front! – Be the Bold Bird

We Will Reach Our Goal Together



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