



2026 GPC Learning Engagement Conference

Engagement Fireside Chat

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Why a fireside chat?

Guidelines for interacting with one another:

Derived from the GPC Patient Advisory Handbook –
Engagement Meeting Norms



We will treat each other with **dignity** and **respect**.

We will use **first names** with one another, recognizing that we are all equal participants.

We will strive to be **genuine** with one another.

We will ***listen*** well.

We will remember that **respect** and **trust** are key.

We will do our best to remain **open-minded**, recognizing that **we are a part of the whole**

We will **care** for one another.

How are we doing?

PCORnet developed survey evaluating foundational engagement (N=34)

1 = Poor

5 = Excellent

Overall Average = 3.65

Highest item:

Give credit to partners and others for their contributions (4.28)

Lowest item:

Describe how decisions are made (3.07)



How are we doing?



...As we have more studies that progress past the NCR or initial submission stage, we'd like to develop workflows with our patient partners embedded in the process.

Re: CRN:
Supportive and responsive, and I truly appreciate their availability and guidance.

We are all partners so it was hard to answer some of these...

In general, I would say that PAC partners have been very much on the fringe except for the Rapid Response activities.

Options to improve:

- More technical control methods vs administrative control
- Experts review CRN data request...BEFORE asking partners to give data
- More interaction with other PAC so we can feel more comfortable talking in meetings.

The Rest of the Story

Two groups:

Site PIs (6) & Devs (6):

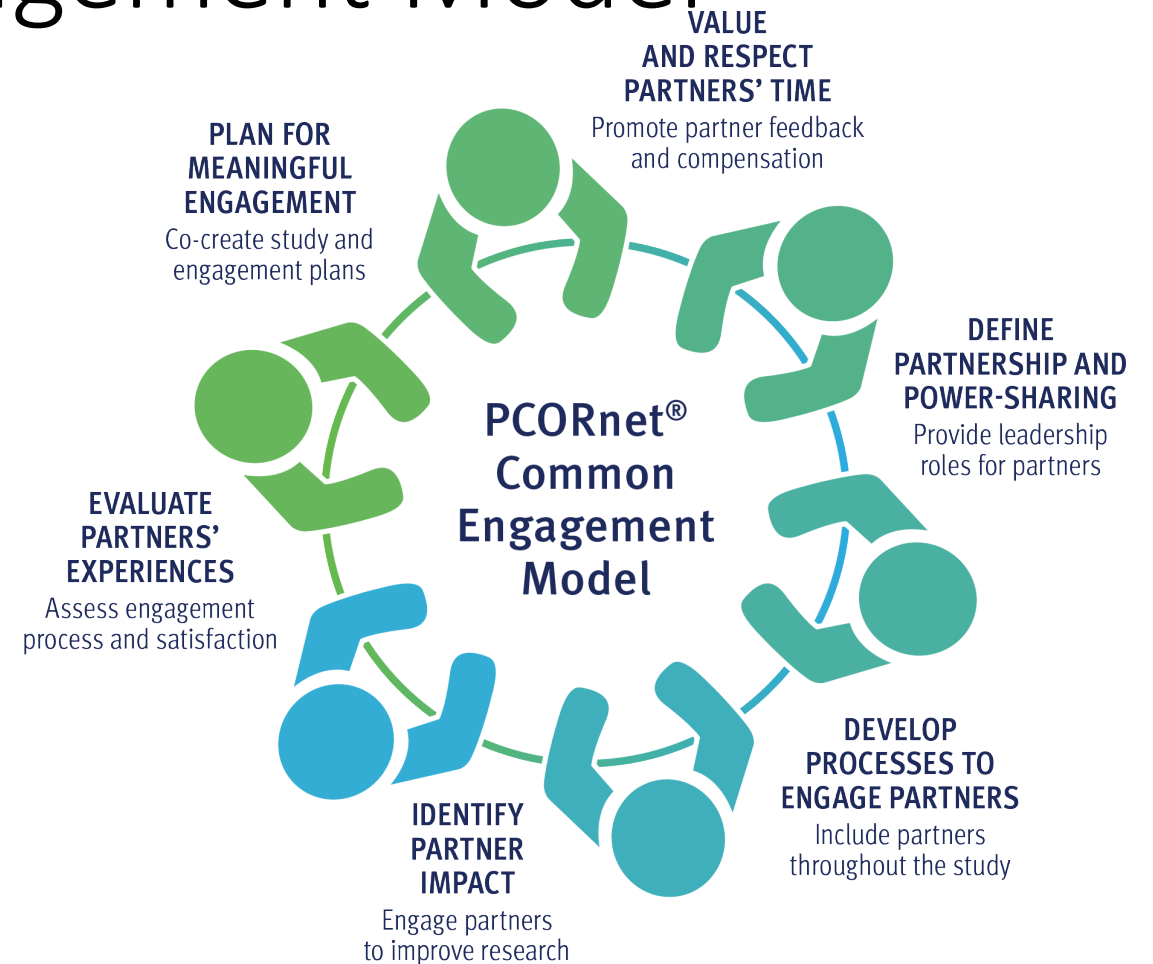
Overall rating: **4.21 (Very Good)**

Everybody else (22):

Overall rating: **3.27 (Good)**

PCORnet® Common Engagement Model

- The PCORnet® Common Engagement Model (PCORnet® CEM) encompasses the minimal **expectations for patient and other partner engagement in PCORnet research and governance.**
- This gives patients and other community partners **a seat at the table in every PCORnet® Study** so they can engage as coequal collaborators with investigators and the study team.
- Studies that engage patient partners have demonstrated the power of PCORnet to **improve research questions, quality, and results.**





Questions, comments, concerns?