## Improving Patient Engagement Experiences in Health Research Networks

Sepsis survivors & families involved in patient advisory councils valued:

- Good communication from network
- Flexibility and accommodations for involvement
- Recognition for the support given
- Seeing their input reflected in the study, including knowledge dissemination
- Opportunities to collaborate with other survivors, families, and researchers



## Calls to Action

Train network members to use trauma-informed approaches when engaging with patient advisory councils.

Consider the timing of the patient's health experience and unique recovery journey for more respectful and effective engagement.

Develop strategies for recruiting patient partners representative of all communities, especially those most vulnerable.

Provide patient partners
with clear and actionable
descriptions of how they will
support the research
networks.









