Be a pioneer. Create partnerships with patients and families in research.

We are proud to announce the launching of our new Toolbox, designed to help you create sustainable research partnerships with patient and family advisors.

About This Toolbox

In 2015, IPFCC was funded by the Patient-Centered Research Institute (PCORI) Engagement Award Initiative to identify strategies to facilitate partnerships with Patient and Family Advisory Councils and Patient and Family Advisors in research. This award supported:

- Outreach to PFACs and researchers at seven organizations as they engaged in research collaborations;
- Programming at IPFCC’s 7th International Conference (2016); and
- Development and dissemination of this online Toolbox of strategies, tools, and lessons learned.

How To Use The Toolbox

The Toolbox contains a wealth of information, tools and resources, and examples from the field that will help build your capacity to create sustainable partnerships in research.

Toolbox sections include:

- **Engaging Patient and Family Advisors in Research.** Build your understanding of the roles Patient and Family Advisory Councils and Patient and Family Advisors can play in research partnerships.

- **Preparing for Research Partnerships.** Set up the infrastructure and training needed for effective partnerships.

- **Nurturing and Sustaining Effective Partnerships.** Learn fundamental strategies for developing vibrant, productive partnerships.

Explore the Toolbox at [http://www.ipfcc.org/bestpractices/research-partnerships.html](http://www.ipfcc.org/bestpractices/research-partnerships.html)