

Information for patients in Easy to Read



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UN-Convention on the Rights of persons with Disabilities: non-discrimination, accessibility, participation

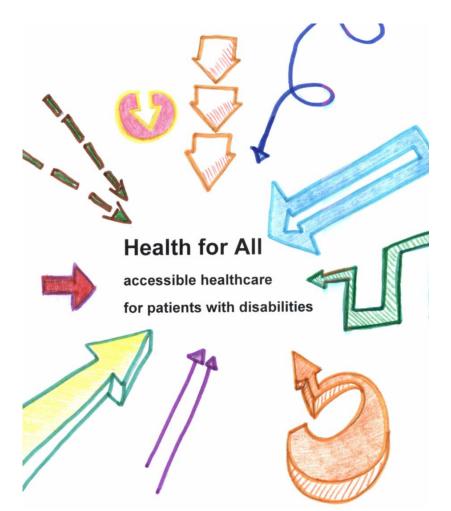


Article 25 Health

"States Parties recognize that persons with disabilities have the right to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of health without discrimination on the basis of disability. States Parties shall take all appropriate measures to ensure access for persons with disabilities to healthservices"



Reducing barriers by providing information in Easy to Read



"... it is important to note that using plain language is not dumbing something down, but it is writing and communicating in a way that provides all the information while still being accessible to all audiences." (Quesenberry 2017, 210)



Easy to Read Working Group for reviewing information for patients on the Tyrol clinics website







Analysis of the Website





rchimpfungsraten stagnieren und in de Folge sind Infektionskrankheiten, wie die Masern und der nicht zu unterschätzende Keuchhusten, wieder auf dem Vormarsch Gleichzeitig steigt europaweit die Anzahl





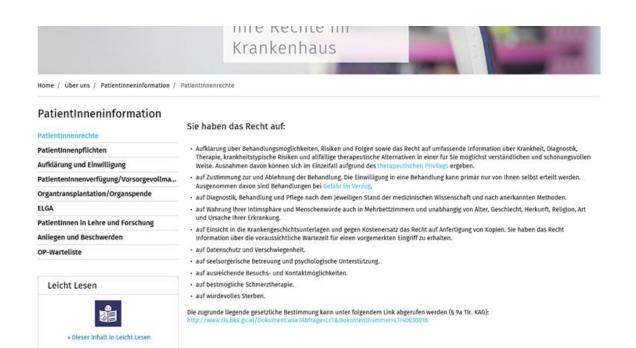
- Letters too small, too much text
- Sentences too long and complicated
- Meaning of the pictures is not clear
- Difficult words and terms
- What do patients need to know?

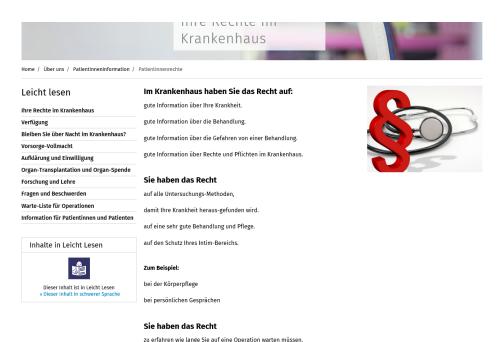


Comparison: website in

in difficult language

in easy to read







tirolkliniken Further results of the cooperation

- Active participation and decision making of persons with cognitive disabilities at the Tyrol clinics
- Mutual learning
- Requests from other departments
- Processes of change were initiated







What is going to happen next?

- Information booklet for patients in Easy to Read
- Taking pictures
 for the illustration of informations for patients
 for public relations activities
- Cooperation with other departments





Recommended literature

European standards for making information easy to read and understand https://easy-to-read.eu/european-standards/

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Thank you very much for your attention!

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