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PLAIN LANGUAGE RESOURCES

This collection of resources is intended to support research teams in developing study documents. The links below include guidance, tools, and examples to help apply plain language principles. These resources can be adapted as appropriate for each study and audience.

Health Research BC – Plain Language Guide:

<https://www.healthresearchbc.ca/resources/plain-language-guide/>

Government of British Columbia – Plain Language Writing Guide:

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/governments/services-for-government/service-experience-digital-delivery/web-content-development-guides/web-style-guide/writing-guide/plain-language>

PHSA Editor Hub – Plain Language Tips and Examples:

<https://editorhub.phsa.ca/writing-style/write-for-the-web/plain-language-tips-examples>

Community Living BC – Plain Language Guide (PDF):

<https://www.communitylivingbc.ca/wp-content/uploads/CLBC-Plain-Language-Guide.pdf>

Microsoft Support – Readability Statistics in Word:

<https://support.microsoft.com/en-us/office/get-your-document-s-readability-and-level-statistics-85b4969e-e80a-4777-8dd3-f7fc3c8b3fd2>