

**Study title: High Tech and High Toch (HT2): Transforming Patient Engagement
Through Portal Technology at the Bedside**

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Informed Consent Form

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The Ohio State University Combined Consent to Participate in Research and HIPAA Research Authorization

Study Title: HT2 – Transforming patient engagement through portal technology at the bedside

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Sponsor: Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ)

- **This is a consent form for research participation.** It contains important information about this study and what to expect if you decide to participate. Please consider the information carefully. Feel free to discuss the study with your friends and family and to ask questions before making your decision whether or not to participate.
- **Your participation is voluntary.** You may refuse to participate in this study. If you decide to take part in the study, you may leave the study at any time. No matter what decision you make, there will be no penalty to you and you will not lose any of your usual benefits. Your decision will not affect your future relationship with The Ohio State University. If you are a student or employee at Ohio State, your decision will not affect your grades or employment status.
- **You may or may not benefit as a result of participating in this study.** Also, as explained below, your participation may result in unintended or harmful effects for you that may be minor or may be serious depending on the nature of the research.
- **You will be provided with any new information that develops during the study that may affect your decision whether or not to continue to participate.** If you decide to participate, you will be asked to sign this form and will receive a copy of the form. You are being asked to consider participating in this study for the reasons explained below.

1. Why is this study being done?

This study is being done to gain a greater understanding of how patients use technology to manage their health.

2. How many people will take part in this study?

There may be approximately 63,000 participants in the study.

3. What will happen if I take part in this study?

If you agree to participate in this study the following will happen:

36 1. You will be asked to complete a 15-20 minute survey that you will take on a
37 tablet or on paper – you can complete it any time in the next 24 hours. As a result
38 of your participation, you will be entered into a weekly drawing to win a \$100
39 Walmart gift card.

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41 2. You will be providing the study team access to your personal health information
42 including medical record number, information about your health, and how you
43 use healthcare services. For example, if you are discharged and readmitted for the
44 same issue, the research team will want to know. Specifically, we will be
45 collecting information about how you use MyChart Bedside, including actions
46 such as how often you access the home screen, access your profile, access lab
47 results, etc. We will also collect information from your medical record including
48 diagnoses, medications, and length of stay.

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50 3. After you are discharged, a survey will be sent to your email of record or you will
51 receive a phone call to ask you about your experience with technology while a
52 patient. As a result of your participation, you will again be entered into that
53 week's drawing to win a \$100 Walmart gift card.

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55 4. In six months, you will receive a final survey to follow up on your experience. As
56 a result of your participation, you will again be entered into that week's drawing
57 to win a \$100 Walmart gift card.

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59 5. We may also attempt to contact you for a 15-minute phone interview to discuss
60 your health care experience.

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62 **4. How long will I be in the study?**

63 The study will continue until February 29, 2020 (02/29/2020).

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65 **5. Can I stop being in the study?**

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67 You may leave the study at any time. If you decide to stop participating in the study,
68 there will be no penalty to you, and you will not lose any benefits to which you are
69 otherwise entitled. Your decision will not affect your future relationship with The Ohio
70 State University.

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72 **6. What risks, side effects or discomforts can I expect from being in the study?**

73 The Ohio State University's Institutional Review Board (IRB) has approved this study and
74 determined that it presents only a minimal risk. The research team associated with this
75 study has completed training to safeguard you from risk. While your participation in this
76 study will be confidential and we use industry standards to secure data, because we gather
77 data using tools that are connected to the Internet, there is a chance that someone could
78 access your online responses without permission.

80 Precautions are taken throughout the project to minimize any risk associated with a breach
81 of confidentiality, including separating your identity from your data and securing the data
82 itself under hardware and password protection.

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84 **7. What benefits can I expect from being in the study?**

85 Your responses will be used to improve the quality of care that all patients receive.

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87 **8. What other choices do I have if I do not take part in the study?**

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89 You may choose not to participate without penalty or loss of benefits to which you are
90 otherwise entitled.

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92 **9. What are the costs of taking part in this study?**

93 There will be no additional costs to participate in the study.

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95 **10. Will I be paid for taking part in this study?**

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97 By law, payments to subjects are considered taxable income. Your participation in any of
98 the three (3) surveys will result in an entry into the weekly drawing where you may
99 potentially win a \$100 Walmart gift card. Your chance of winning will depend on the
100 number of entries in each week. You may win more than once.

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102 **11. What happens if I am injured because I took part in this study?**

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104 If you suffer an injury from participating in this study, you should notify the researcher or
105 study doctor immediately, who will determine if you should obtain medical treatment at
106 The Ohio State University Wexner Medical Center.

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108 The cost for this treatment will be billed to you or your medical or hospital insurance. The
109 Ohio State University has no funds set aside for the payment of health care expenses for
110 this study.

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112 **12. What are my rights if I take part in this study?**

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114 If you choose to participate in the study, you may discontinue participation at any time
115 without penalty or loss of benefits. By signing this form, you do not give up any personal
116 legal rights you may have as a participant in this study.

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118 You will be provided with any new information that develops during the course of the
119 research that may affect your decision whether or not to continue participation in the
120 study.

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122 You may refuse to participate in this study without penalty or loss of benefits to which
123 you are otherwise entitled.

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125 An Institutional Review Board responsible for human subjects research at The Ohio State
126 University reviewed this research project and found it to be acceptable, according to
127 applicable state and federal regulations and University policies designed to protect the
128 rights and welfare of participants in research.

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130 **13. Will my study-related information be kept confidential?**

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132 Efforts will be made to keep your study-related information confidential. However, there
133 may be circumstances where this information must be released. For example, personal
134 information regarding your participation in this study may be disclosed if required by state
135 law.

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137 Also, your records may be reviewed by the following groups (as applicable to the
138 research):

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- 140 • Office for Human Research Protections or other federal, state, or international
regulatory agencies;
- 141 • The Ohio State University Institutional Review Board or Office of Responsible
Research Practices; and
- 143 • The sponsor supporting the study, their agents or study monitors.

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145 A description of this clinical trial will be available on <http://www.ClinicalTrials.gov>, as
146 required by U.S. law. This website will not include information that can identify you. At
147 most, the website will include a summary of the results. You can search the website at
148 any time.

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150 **14. HIPAA AUTHORIZATION TO USE AND DISCLOSE INFORMATION FOR
151 RESEARCH PURPOSES**

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153 **I. What information may be used and given to others?**

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- 155 • Past and present medical records, including diagnoses, medications, dates and
lengths of hospital stays;
- 157 • Research records;
- 158 • Information that includes personal identifiers, including your name, address, phone
number, email address, and medical record number;
- 159 • Information gathered for this research about:
160 Diaries and questionnaires
- 162 • Records about how you use MyChart Bedside and OSU MyChart;

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164 **II. Who may use and give out information about you?**

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166 Researchers and study staff.

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168 **III. Who might get this information?**

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170 • The sponsor of this research. "Sponsor" means any persons or companies that are:

171 • working for or with the sponsor; or

172 • owned by the sponsor.

173 • Authorized Ohio State University staff not involved in the study may be aware that

174 you are participating in a research study and have access to your information;

175 • If this study is related to your medical care, your study-related information may be

176 placed in your permanent hospital, clinic or physician's office record;

177 • Others: No other agencies or groups have been identified to which this information

178 would be disseminated.

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180 **IV. Your information may be given to:**

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182 • The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), Department of Health and Human

183 Services (DHHS) agencies, and other federal and state entities; and

184 • The Ohio State University units involved in managing and approving the research

185 study including the Office of Research and the Office of Responsible Research

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188 **V. Why will this information be used and/or given to others?**

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190 • To do the research;

191 • To study the results; and

192 • To make sure that the research was done right.

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194 **VI. When will my permission end?**

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196 There is no date at which your permission ends. Your information will be used

197 indefinitely. This is because the information used and created during the study may be

198 analyzed for many years, and it is not possible to know when this will be complete.

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200 **VII. May I withdraw or revoke (cancel) my permission?**

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202 Yes. Your authorization will be good for the time period indicated above unless you

203 change your mind and revoke it in writing. You may withdraw or take away your

204 permission to use and disclose your health information at any time. You do this by

205 sending written notice to the researchers. If you withdraw your permission, you will not

206 be able to stay in this study. When you withdraw your permission, no new health

207 information identifying you will be gathered after that date. Information that has already

208 been gathered may still be used and given to others.

211 **VIII. What if I decide not to give permission to use and give out my health**
212 **information?**

214 Then you will not be able to be in this research study and receive research-related
215 treatment. However, if you are being treated as a patient here, you will still be able to
216 receive care.

218 **IX. Is my health information protected after it has been given to others?**

220 There is a risk that your information will be given to others without your permission. Any
221 information that is shared may no longer be protected by federal privacy rules.

223 **X. May I review or copy my information?**

225 Signing this authorization also means that you may not be able to see or copy your study-
226 related information until the study is completed.

228 **15. Who can answer my questions about the study?**

230 For questions, concerns, or complaints about the study, or if you feel you have been
231 harmed as a result of study participation, you may contact **Dr. Ann McAlearney at (614)**
232 **293-8973 or via email at ann.mcalearney@osumc.edu.**

234 For questions related to your privacy rights under HIPAA or related to this research
235 authorization, please contact the **HIPAA Privacy Officer, Suite E2140, 600 Ackerman**
236 **Road, Columbus, OH 43201, telephone 614-293-4477.**

237 For questions about your rights as a participant in this study or to discuss other study-
238 related concerns or complaints with someone who is not part of the research team, you
239 may contact Ms. Sandra Meadows in the Office of Responsible Research Practices at 1-
240 800-678-6251.

242 If you are injured as a result of participating in this study or for questions about a study-
243 related injury, you may contact **Dr. Ann McAlearney at (614) 293-8973 or via email at**
244 **ann.mcalearney@osumc.edu.**

248 **Signing the consent form**

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250 I have read (or someone has read to me) this form and I am aware that I am being asked to
251 participate in a research study. I have had the opportunity to ask questions and have had them
252 answered to my satisfaction. I voluntarily agree to participate in this study.

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254 I am not giving up any legal rights by signing this form. I will be given a copy of this
255 combined consent and HIPAA research authorization form.

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Printed name of subject

Signature of subject

AM/PM

Date and time

Not Applicable

Printed name of person authorized to consent for subject
(when applicable)

Not Applicable

Signature of person authorized to consent for subject
(when applicable)

Not Applicable

Relationship to the subject

Not Applicable

Date and time

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