



BANNAR Communication checklist

If you would like to send out any communication or surveys to the BANNAR membership, please take a moment to ensure that you have read and understand all the aspects of the BANNAR checklist.

It is extremely important that any communication (including surveys) sent out to the BANNAR membership and the young people that we work with is accurate and sensitive towards them. This document has been produced with the guidance of the Racial Equality Network, Branding team and Head of Diversity and Inclusion at Versus Arthritis. All points have been aligned with the Harmonising Measurements Framework V 1.0.

This is a brief guide to sensitive language regarding any comms you would like to send out to the BANNAR network. It is by no means an extensive list but is aimed to ensure all comms going through the network are inclusive, sophisticated, sensitive, and representative to a diverse range of young people.

Once you have satisfied the below criteria, please email the relevant comms to BANNAR Project Officer Sarah Yorke: s.yorke@versusarthritis.org

Gender

What is your gender? Please select one.

Male

Female

Non-binary

Prefer to self-describe *[Text box]*

Prefer not to say

Age

Please note that members of the BANNAR Network work with young people aged from 10-24.

Therefore, we strongly encourage that all comms going through our membership include ages from 10 plus. Where this is not possible, please use the following analysis categories when requiring age ranges:

Under 16

16-18

19-24

Terminology should be sensitive to the individual who has a condition or disability. BANNAR endorse the concept of "people first, not their disability." Terminology should reflect the "person with a disability" (e.g., young people with arthritis, families of young people with SLE) rather than the condition as an adjective (e.g., arthritis patients).¹

Ethnicity

What is your ethnicity? Please select one.

1. Terminology referenced from the Journal of Paediatric Psychology, Society of Paediatric Psychology, Oxford University Press, 2021

'Ethnic group' is about the group to which you perceive you belong.

Asian or Asian British: Indian

Asian or Asian British: Pakistani

Asian or Asian British: Bangladeshi

Asian or Asian British: Chinese

Any other Asian background

Black or Black British: African

Black or Black British: Caribbean

Any other black background

Mixed (please state)

White: British/ English/ Scottish/ Welsh/ Northern Irish

White: Irish

Any other white background

Any other ethnic group (please state)

Prefer not to say

Disability

Would you consider yourself to be disabled / have a disability?

Yes, due to a rheumatic condition and I am formally registered as disabled

Yes, due to another condition and I am formally registered as disabled

Yes, due to my rheumatic condition but I am not formally registered as disabled

Yes, due to another condition but I am not formally registered as disabled

No, I would not consider myself as having a disability

Other

Don't know

Prefer not to say

As mentioned above, this is not an extensive list, but forms the basic requirements for comms passing through the network. Thank you for taking the time to ensure your comms satisfies the above criteria and language.

If you have any questions, please email Sarah: s.vorke@versusarthritis.org