



Special Senate Commission to Study the Topic of Health Literacy

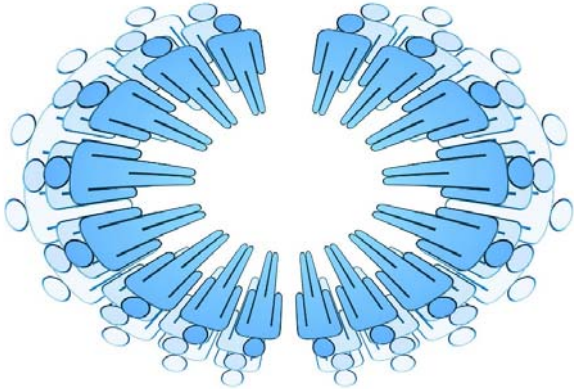
November 6, 2017

FINDINGS

- ❖ Lack of health literacy
- ❖ Health literacy at an early age
- ❖ Health providers and health literacy
- ❖ Cultural and linguistic competence
- ❖ Patient engagement
- ❖ Understanding health insurance plans
- ❖ Rhode Island's readability requirements



RECOMMENDATIONS



- ❖ Statewide toolkit
- ❖ Health literacy and education
- ❖ Specific programs and strategies for our most vulnerable populations
- ❖ Health services for the deaf/ hard of hearing individuals
- ❖ Consumer advocates
- ❖ State Innovation Model (SIM)
- ❖ Move beyond grade-level language



Special Senate Commission to Study the Topic of Health Literacy

November 6, 2017