



Successful patient groups have a range of qualities.

Successful patient groups:

Often include doctors



Have a wide range of skills, experience and knowledge within their board



Are well organized



Have realistic & achievable aims and objectives that clearly address the needs & concerns of their members



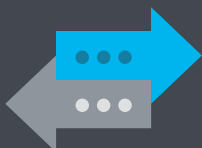
Have clear strategies to maximize their chances of achieving desired changes



Work within their available resources, and efficiently mobilize external expertise and resources where necessary



Communicate frequently and effectively with members



Cultivate the media



Have clear reporting structures and accountability



Develop good relationships with funders



Command respect



Have sustainable strategies for growth

