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Choosing Wisely®

Rhode Island

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Choosing Wisely is an international initiative active in over 20 countries that was developed by the American Board of Internal Medicine Foundation (ABIMF) to promote communications between physicians/clinicians and patients to reduce unnecessary tests and treatments and keep patients safe from harm.

According to the National Academy of Medicine (NAM), approximately 30,000 avoidable deaths each year can be attributed to unnecessary tests, medications and procedures. NAM also estimates \$765 billion in healthcare spending in the USA is spent on unneeded tests, medications and procedures.

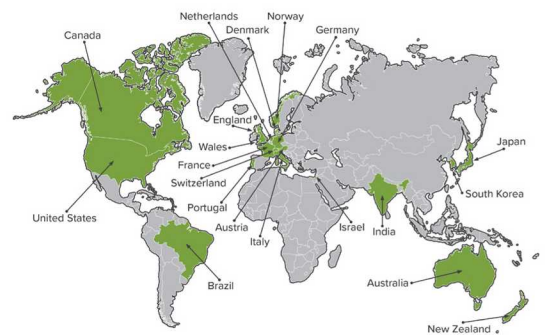
Choosing Wisely arms physicians and clinicians with the tools they need to reduce low value care in their practices and to communicate with patients to work together to reduce unnecessary tests, medications and procedures.

The **Choosing Wisely-RI** campaign is free of charge for all Rhode Island practices and provides access to:

- Over 110 downloadable, patient-friendly, evidence-based educational materials
- More than 550 recommendations developed by ABIMF and their Specialty Society Partners
- Clinician Training Videos
- Outcomes data from Choosing Wisely campaigns around the world
- The Choosing Wisely cell phone app for clinicians and patients

To learn more about Choosing Wisely-RI and how to become a Choosing Wisely practice, contact Joanne Bilotta, Choosing Wisely-RI Campaign Manager at jbilotta.RIBGH@gmail.com or (508) 404-6560 to schedule an orientation meeting. For more information about ABIMF and Choosing Wisely visit www.choosingwisely.org.

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80+ PARTNERS PUBLISHED 550+ RECOMMENDATIONS

70 CONSUMER ORGANIZATIONS DISTRIBUTED 110+ PATIENT-FRIENDLY MATERIALS TO MILLIONS OF CONSUMERS