The University *of* Edinburgh

MSc Surgical Sciences

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# Communication Skills

# Written Assignment Coversheet and Template

## Course: Communication and Care 2023-2024 (SURG11016)

## Assessment: Communication Skills – Informed Consent Discussion and Critical Reflections

**Exam Number:**

[Your exam number starts with “B”. Please do not add any name or student number to your submission to allow anonymity of marking]

**Total Word Count:**

[1100-1200 words. 1200 words is the absolute maximum limit. Please note:

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**Before writing and submitting your assignment, please:**

* **check all guidance provided on the “Assessment 3” section of the course.**
* **use the template below to compose your “Informed Consent Discussion and Critical Reflections” (3 parts)**
* **read the** [**Own Work Declaration**](https://www.learn.ed.ac.uk/ultra/courses/_115417_1/outline/edit/document/_9716639_1?courseId=_115417_1&view=content) **(available at the link and on the course Assessment 3 section)**

# Part 1: Informed Consent Discussion (based on the given patient and case scenario)

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# Part 2: Critical reflection on communication and informed consent in YOUR surgical practice

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# Part 3: A CRITICAL REFLECTION on YOUR surgical communication skills, learning, and professional development

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