

# Measurable, Action-Oriented Verbs

## Recommended for Introduction to Activity Learning Objectives

Verbs that promote action will prompt learners to achieve planned outcomes of the activity.

Avoid using non-measurable verbs, e.g. know, recognize, understand.

### Updated Medical Knowledge or Practice Performance that will lead to:

#### Improved Competence, Performance or Patient Care

##### INFORMATION

Define  
Describe  
Identify  
List  
Name  
State

##### COMPREHENSION

Classify  
Describe  
Discuss  
Explain  
Identify  
Summarize

#### Improved Competence or Performance

##### ANALYSIS

Calculate  
Classify  
Compare  
Contrast  
Diagram  
Solve

##### EVALUATION

Assess  
Estimate  
Evaluate  
Interpret  
Measure  
Test

#### Improved Performance or Patient Care

##### APPLICATION

Apply  
Demonstrate  
Diagnose  
Operate  
Outline  
Treat

##### SYNTHESIS

Design  
Diagnose  
Manage  
Organize  
Prescribe  
Solve