

## Instructions for Hospital Charts

This activity can be used as a “bridge” to help parents understand standards. You can pair it with another activity related to Criterion Referenced Tests or High School Proficiency Exams. It can provide parents with some background information before they discuss their child’s scores. You will notice that the colored chart is the same structure of the state tests.

A few possible uses:

- Use before a parent teacher conference where CRT’s may be discussed.
- At a workshop before a school improvement meeting
- At a workshop where CRTs or the HSPE is being used.

How to use the chart and descriptions:

- Group parents into tables or 3-4 people.
- Provide them with the list of descriptions, cut into sections.
- Ask them to work together to match the descriptions under the sections they think are appropriate.
- Ask groups to share their responses with the entire group.
- When using this as a bridge, remind them of the colors. A possible phrase might be, “You may remember the hospital beds that sounded good. What were the colors of the beds you wanted to sleep in? (Answer – green and blue). That is also where we want our children to be. We want all of our students to be in the green and blue sections of the CRTs or HSPE.”