

Basic Medical Spanish for Healthcare Professionals

1. Title of Presentation: Basic Medical Spanish for Healthcare Professionals

Course Description

This 4 hour seminar will provide health care providers with a basic introduction to Spanish grammar, pronunciation, cultural considerations and medical related vocabulary needed to converse with Spanish speaking patients. This course is a great way to learn basic Spanish focusing on essential vocabulary and phrases for the medical setting. If you're new to Spanish or need a strong review of fundamentals, this course is meant for you.

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3. Instructional Strategy:

Provider-directed, Powerpoint presentation and group practice.

4. Identified Gap:

The rising Hispanic Latino population in the United States creates potential communication gaps with non-English speaking patients. Health care professionals who can learn to speak basic Spanish phrases can increase their confidence and competence to provide quality patient care.

5. Description of Current State:

Almost 40% of the United States population is of Hispanic-Latino origin with limited English proficiency. Communication barriers have contributed to disparity in medical services in this at risk population. It has been documented that communication errors can contribute to poor patient outcomes.

6. Description of Desired State:

Health care professionals who can speak conversational and basic Spanish phrases to Spanish-speaking patients can improve patient satisfaction, decrease communication errors and potentially avoid medical errors.

7. Gap to be Addressed

Knowledge Skills Practice Other

8. Purpose of the presentation

To enhance the learner's knowledge and ability to speak basic Medical terms to Spanish speaking patients with awareness of cultural considerations.

9. Course Objectives

At the completion of this course, the participant will be able to:

Identify basic Spanish phrases needed to communicate for Spanish speaking patients.

Lecture 1: Introduction to Spanish, making introductions, the alphabet, cognates, parts of speech, how to learn a foreign language and cultural competence principles.

Lesson Objectives:

1. Explain general cultural and language considerations for Spanish speaking patients with limited English.
2. Identify strategies to learning basic Spanish.
3. Introduce themselves to others in Spanish.

Lecture 2: Vocabulary for time, numbers, gender of nouns, and asking admitting questions.

Lesson objectives:

1. Create assessment questions that stimulate a one-word or yes-no response.
2. Identify the correct gender article with nouns.
3. Identify and pronounce how to express time and numbers.
4. Pronounce conversational sentences for a general patient assessment.

Lecture 3: Introduction to verbs, parts of the body and general health assessment questions.

Lesson Objectives:

1. Identify basic Spanish phrases needed to communicate with Spanish speaking patients in your role as a health care provider.
2. Pronounce and use vocabulary for parts of the body
3. Use the vocabulary to describe basic medical diagnostic exams and give results.

Lecture 4: Vocabulary for family and body systems assessment.

Lesson objectives:

1. Describe and pronounce vocabulary about family relationships.
2. Obtain basic medical information from a patient interview.
3. Pronounce basic assessment phrases for neurological, skin, respiratory, cardiovascular and gastrointestinal systems.

Lecture 5: Clinical conversations for musculoskeletal and reproductive systems.

Lesson objectives:

1. Pronounce basic assessment phrases for neurological, skin, respiratory, cardiovascular and gastrointestinal systems.
2. Be able to dialog with basic Spanish phrases.
3. Explain the effective use of a translator.

Agenda

10:45 a.m.	Registration
11:00	Introduction to Medical Spanish
	Lecture 1
12:00	Lecture 2
1:00 p.m.	Break
1:15	Lecture 3
2:15	Lecture 4
3:00	Break
3:15	Lecture 5
4:30	Presentation of CE certificates and Adjournment

Cost: \$79.00 to participant (10 person minimum required)

CE's: 5