



Spanish for Medical Professionals: A Linguistic and Cultural Toolkit

Cost: \$50

Duration: 5 hours (4.25 hours instruction time + 45 minutes breaks)

Format: Online via Zoom

This interactive training equips medical professionals with essential Spanish language skills and cultural insights to improve communication with Spanish-speaking patients. The session covers key medical terminology, cultural considerations, and practical strategies for navigating real-world interactions. Activities include role-playing, scenario-based exercises, and engaging discussions to enhance participants' confidence in providing patient-centered care.

By the end of this training, participants will be able to:

- Recognize and apply key Spanish phrases relevant to medical settings.
- Identify cultural factors that may impact patient-provider communication.
- Use effective strategies to navigate language barriers and improve patient interactions.

Class Schedule

1. Introduction & Warm-Up (45 minutes)

- **Meet the Presenters (5 minutes)**
- **What This Class Covers (5 minutes)**
 - Goals:
 - Understanding Hispanic cultural perspectives
 - Learning basic to intermediate Spanish for healthcare settings
 - Communicating effectively with an interpreter
 - Key Takeaways:
 - Overview of the Spanish-speaking population
 - Map of Spanish-speaking countries



- Demographic insights
- **Icebreaker (10 minutes)**
 - Fun facts about Hispanic culture and language
- **Small Group Discussion (25 minutes)**
 - Watch and discuss "Getting On" (HBO clip, up to 1:15)
 - Sticky situation activity (10 minutes)
 - Large group discussion/presentation (10 minutes)

Break (5 minutes)

2. Cultural Toolkit (70 minutes)

- Presentation & Discussion (60 minutes)
- Situational Cards Activity (10 minutes)

Lunch Break (30 minutes)

3. Language Toolkit (75 minutes)

- Presentation (15 minutes)
- Hands-On Activities (60 minutes)

Break (10 minutes)

4. Everyday Medical Language (30 minutes)

- Commands
- Useful phrases
- Common cognates



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5. Role-Playing Exercise (20 minutes)

- **Pair Activity:** One person plays the patient, the other the provider

6. Q&A & Wrap-Up (15 minutes)

- Open discussion for questions