

University of Pittsburgh

School of Medicine

# Interprofessional Care Personal Enrichment Course Spring 2021

<u>Course Dates</u>: January 5, 12, 21, 26, February 2, 9 (5:30-6:30PM)

Maximum Students: No Limit

Class Year: MS1 and MS2

<u>Course Directors</u>: Filitsa Bender, MD

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# Description:

This course is meant to give students early exposure to the interpersonal nature of medicine. During each session, students will hear from a different member of the healthcare team. Each presenter will talk about their role on the team and how they contribute to the patient's care. Students will also learn about the overall importance of interprofessional care and how it affects patient outcomes.

In addition to talking about their specific role on the healthcare team, presenters will also share their experience with the interprofessional dynamic and frequent problems that come up. This will help students become aware of the qualities/skills that are necessary for successful interprofessional care.

#### Objectives:

At the end of the course, students will be able to

- Understand the importance of interprofessional care and how it affects patient outcomes
- Become familiar with the roles of various healthcare professionals other than physicians
- Learn about the most common problems that arise in an interprofessional setting andhow to work successfully with everyone on the healthcare team

#### Requirements:

Attend all sessions, participate in an active and engaged manner.

#### Pre-Requisites:

None

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## **COURSE OUTLINE Interprofessional Care**

**Dates**: 1/5, 1/12, 1/21, 1/26, 2/2, 2/9 (5:30-6:30PM)

Location: Zoom

Course Director: Dr. Filitsa Bender

Participating Faculty: TBD

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Texts/Required Reading: None

## \*Session order may change depending on speaker availability

## Session 1- Introduction to Interprofessional Care

During this session students will be introduced to interprofessional medicine and there will be a discussion about how it affects the patient's care. This will set up a framework for the rest of the discussions throughout the mini elective. The course will be a lecture given via Zoom with time for Q&A.

# Session 2- Nursing

During this session a faculty member from the School of Nursing will discuss the role of nursing on the healthcare team. The speakers will describe the responsibilities of nurses and the different settings that they may practice in. The speaker will also discuss the relationship between nurses and physicians and ways that this collaboration could be improved. The course will be a lecture given via Zoom with time for O&A.

#### **Session 3-** Rehab Sciences

During this session faculty members from the School of Rehab Sciences will discuss the roles of physical and occupational therapy on the healthcare team. The speakers will describe the responsibilities of PTs and OTs and the different settings that they may practice in. The speakers will also discuss the relationship between PTs, OTs, and physicians and ways that this collaboration could be improved. The course will be a lecture given via Zoom with time for Q&A.

#### Session 4 - Pharmacy

During this session a faculty member from the School of Pharmacy will discuss the role of pharmacists on the healthcare team. The speakers will describe the responsibilities of pharmacists and the different settings that they may practice in. The speaker will also discuss the relationship between pharmacists and physicians and ways that this collaboration could be improved. The course will be a lecture given via Zoom with time for Q & A.

# Session 5- Dentistry

During this session a faculty member from the School of Dentistry will discuss the role of dentists on the healthcare team. The speakers will describe the responsibilities of dentists and the different settings that they may practice in. The speaker will also discuss the relationship between dentists and physicians and ways that this collaboration could be improved. The course will be a lecture given via Zoom with time for Q&A.

#### Session 6- Social Work

During this session a faculty member from the School of Social Work will discuss the role of social workers on the healthcare team. The speakers will describe the responsibilities of social workers and the different settings that they may practice in. The speaker will also discuss the relationship between social workers and physicians and ways that this collaboration could be improved. The course will be a lecture given via Zoom with time for Q&A.