

Stress Factors and the Prevention of Medical Errors

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Over the last twenty years, medical errors have continued to be a significant cause of death in the United States. Medical errors increase expenses in additional patient care and possible litigation costs, devastating the patient, family, doctors, and staff. Doctors must contend with the stress of family life, running a practice, and administrative duties, which increase the likelihood of errors. The goal of the course is to provide an overview of the problem of medical errors, factors contributing to the occurrence of these errors, and steps that can be taken to reduce medical errors in key care settings. .

Learning Objectives

- Understand the adverse occurrences from medical errors
- Define the Root Cause of Medical Errors
- Identify programs to reduce medical errors.
- Outline the Do's and Don'ts of medical record documentation.
- Learn the consequences of an improper informed consent
- Recognize three human factors involved in medical errors.
- Compare three methods to avoid medical errors in any practice setting

Hour One

- Overview of Medical Error Rates
- The Cost of Medical Errors
- The Opioid and Fentanyl Epidemics
- What Language Do You Speak?
- Stress, Burnout, and the Relationship to Medical Errors
- Stress and Depression

Hour Two

- Strategies for Quality Improvement
- The Standard of Care
- How a Pilot Can Teach Us to Reduce Medical Errors
- The Reasonable Standard Law
- Informed Consent and the Consultation
- Delivery of the Informed Consent

Hour Three

- The Components of the Informed Consent
- Specific State Informed Consent Guidelines
- Special Circumstances Informed Consent
- Financial Policies

Hour Four

- Documentation Mistakes Leading to Medical Errors
- The Future Role of AI in Documentation

- What is the Role of Radiology in the Chiropractic Practice
- The Importance of a Specific Diagnosis
- Patient Safety in the Treatment Room, Therapy, and Radiology
- Questions and Answers