Training Course on The Art of Advanced Communication for Healthcare Professionals

Professional Development Training Course Outline

Category	Health	**Duration**	10 Days
Base Fee	$3,000 USD	**Delivery Mode**	Online / On-site Hybrid

Course Introduction

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Course Objectives

1. Master **patient-centered communication techniques** for improved health outcomes.
2. Develop **empathetic communication skills** to build stronger patient rapport.
3. Enhance **active listening skills** for accurate information gathering and understanding.
4. Learn strategies for **effective interprofessional communication** within healthcare teams.
5. Improve skills in **difficult conversations in healthcare**, including delivering bad news.
6. Understand and apply principles of **cultural competence in healthcare communication**.
7. Utilize **non-verbal communication cues** to enhance understanding and build trust.
8. Develop proficiency in **clear and concise medical communication** to avoid misunderstandings.
9. Learn techniques for managing **patient expectations** and addressing concerns effectively.
10. Enhance skills in **conflict resolution in healthcare settings** for positive outcomes.
11. Understand the impact of **digital communication in healthcare** and best practices.
12. Apply **motivational interviewing techniques** to encourage patient adherence and engagement.
13. Develop strategies for **communicating with families in healthcare** with sensitivity and clarity.

Organizational Benefits

- Enhanced communication leads to a better patient experience and increased satisfaction scores.

- Clear and effective communication minimizes misunderstandings and potential errors in patient care.
- Improved interprofessional communication fosters a more cohesive and efficient working environment.
- Effective communication and motivational interviewing techniques can lead to better patient compliance with treatment plans.
- Clear communication can help prevent misunderstandings that may lead to complaints or legal issues.
- A positive communication environment contributes to higher job satisfaction and reduced burnout among healthcare professionals.
- Providing patient-centered care through effective communication can enhance the organization's image and attract more patients.
- Studies show a direct correlation between effective communication and improved patient health outcomes.
- Streamlined communication processes can lead to more efficient workflows and resource utilization.
- Open and honest communication builds trust between healthcare providers, patients, and their families.

Target Audience

1. Physicians
2. Nurses
3. Allied Health Professionals
4. Pharmacists
5. Medical Assistants
6. Social Workers in Healthcare
7. Healthcare Administrators
8. Any healthcare professional

Course Outline

Module 1: Foundations of Advanced Healthcare Communication

- Defining advanced communication in the healthcare context.
- Exploring the principles of patient-centered care.
- Understanding the impact of communication on patient outcomes and safety.
- Identifying barriers to effective communication in healthcare settings.
- Establishing ethical considerations in healthcare communication.

Module 2: The Power of Verbal Communication in Healthcare

- Utilizing clear, concise, and jargon-free language with patients.
- Employing effective questioning techniques for information gathering.
- Structuring explanations for better patient understanding.
- Adapting verbal communication to different patient demographics and health literacy levels.
- Practicing active listening and providing verbal cues of engagement.

Module 3: Decoding Non-Verbal Communication in Healthcare

- Understanding the impact of body language, facial expressions, and tone of voice.
- Recognizing and interpreting non-verbal cues from patients and families.
- Projecting confidence, empathy, and respect through non-verbal communication.

- Creating a comfortable and trusting environment through non-verbal signals.
- Aligning verbal and non-verbal communication for consistent messaging.

Module 4: The Art of Active Listening and Empathy

- Developing advanced active listening skills: paraphrasing, summarizing, reflecting.
- Cultivating empathy and understanding the patient's perspective.
- Responding empathetically to patient emotions and concerns.
- Using silence effectively to encourage patient sharing.
- Building rapport through genuine listening and empathetic responses.

Module 5: Communicating Across Cultures in Healthcare

- Understanding the influence of culture on health beliefs and communication styles.
- Identifying and addressing potential cultural barriers in healthcare interactions.
- Utilizing strategies for culturally sensitive communication.
- Working with interpreters effectively to ensure accurate communication.
- Promoting health equity through culturally competent communication.

Module 6: Managing Difficult Conversations with Patients

- Preparing for and initiating difficult conversations (e.g., delivering bad news).
- Employing strategies for breaking bad news with compassion and clarity.
- Addressing patient anger, anxiety, and other strong emotions.
- Setting realistic expectations and managing challenging patient behaviors.
- Providing support and resources during difficult conversations.

Module 7: Effective Interprofessional Communication and Teamwork

- Understanding the importance of clear communication within multidisciplinary teams.
- Utilizing effective communication strategies for collaboration and shared decision-making.
- Navigating communication challenges and conflicts within healthcare teams.
- Participating effectively in team meetings and handoffs.
- Promoting a culture of open and respectful communication among colleagues.

Module 8: Communicating with Families and Caregivers

- Understanding the role of families in patient care and decision-making.
- Establishing clear and respectful communication with family members.
- Addressing family concerns and providing necessary information and support.
- Managing conflicts and differing opinions among family members.
- Facilitating family involvement in the care plan while respecting patient privacy.

Module 9: Digital Communication and Telehealth Etiquette

- Understanding the benefits and challenges of digital communication in healthcare.
- Adhering to privacy and security regulations in electronic communication.
- Practicing professional etiquette in email, text, and video consultations.
- Ensuring clear and effective communication in telehealth settings.
- Utilizing digital tools to enhance patient engagement and communication.

Module 10: Motivational Interviewing for Patient Engagement

- Understanding the principles and techniques of motivational interviewing.

- Using open-ended questions, affirmations, reflections, and summaries (OARS).
- Eliciting and strengthening patient motivation for behavior change.
- Navigating ambivalence and resistance in patient conversations.
- Applying motivational interviewing skills to promote patient adherence and self-management.

Module 11: Health Literacy and Patient Education

- Understanding the impact of health literacy on patient comprehension.
- Tailoring health information to meet diverse literacy levels.
- Utilizing visual aids and plain language for effective patient education.
- Confirming patient understanding through teach-back methods.
- Empowering patients to actively participate in their care through clear education.

Module 12: Conflict Resolution and De-escalation Techniques

- Identifying common sources of conflict in healthcare settings.
- Applying strategies for early conflict resolution.
- Utilizing de-escalation techniques to manage agitated or aggressive patients.
- Maintaining personal safety during challenging interactions.
- Seeking appropriate support and resources for conflict management.

Module 13: Documentation and Communication in Medical Records

- Understanding the legal and ethical importance of accurate documentation.
- Utilizing clear, concise, and objective language in medical records.
- Ensuring effective communication through documentation for continuity of care.
- Avoiding jargon and abbreviations that may lead to misunderstandings.
- Documenting communication with patients and families accurately.

Module 14: Communication in Crisis and Emergency Situations

- Maintaining calm and clear communication during stressful situations.
- Providing concise and accurate information to patients, families, and colleagues.
- Utilizing standardized communication protocols in emergencies.
- Addressing emotional needs and providing support during crises.
- Communicating effectively with emergency responders and other involved parties.

Module 15: Continuous Improvement in Healthcare Communication

- Reflecting on personal communication strengths and areas for growth.
- Seeking feedback from patients, colleagues, and supervisors.
- Utilizing self-assessment tools and resources for ongoing development.
- Staying updated on best practices and emerging trends in healthcare communication.
- Developing a personal plan for continuous improvement in communication skills.

Training Methodology

This course will utilize a blended learning approach incorporating:

- **Interactive Lectures:** Engaging presentations with real-life case studies and examples.
- **Role-Playing Scenarios:** Practical exercises to practice communication skills in simulated healthcare situations.
- **Group Discussions:** Collaborative learning and sharing of experiences and perspectives.

- **Video Analysis:** Reviewing and critiquing communication interactions to identify areas for improvement.
- **Simulations:** Immersive scenarios to practice complex communication challenges.
- **Debriefing Sessions:** Structured reflection after activities to reinforce learning.
- **Individual Coaching (Optional):** Personalized feedback and guidance for skill development.
- **Online Resources:** Access to supplementary materials, articles, and tools.

Register as a group from 3 participants for a Discount

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Certification

Upon successful completion of this training, participants will be issued with a globally- recognized certificate.

Tailor-Made Course

We also offer tailor-made courses based on your needs.

Key Notes

a. The participant must be conversant with English.

b. Upon completion of training the participant will be issued with an Authorized Training Certificate

c. Course duration is flexible and the contents can be modified to fit any number of days.

d. The course fee includes facilitation training materials, 2 coffee breaks, buffet lunch and A Certificate upon successful completion of Training.

e. One-year post-training support Consultation and Coaching provided after the course.

f. Payment should be done at least a week before commence of the training, to Fineskill Training Center account, as indicated in the invoice so as to enable us prepare better for you.

Upcoming Scheduled Sessions

Start Date	End Date	Location	Price
16 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Online	$2,000
16 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$3,000

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16 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$6,000
16 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$6,000
16 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$12,000
16 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$9,000
16 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$12,000
16 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$12,000

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