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HEALTH LITERACY: THE SIXTH VITAL SIGN

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Content Description

This program will discuss the definition of health literacy; provide examples of health literacy scenarios, offer case studies, and opportunities to incorporate into nursing practice.

Learning Objectives
At the end of this session, the participant will be able to:

1. Identify and define the concept of health literacy in a general and non English speaking population

2. Incorporate health literacy evaluation into current nursing practice

3. Educate colleagues, patients, and families on the available resources to address health literacy

Summary of Key Points/Outline

I. Health literacy

   A. Prevalence in general population
      1. Current literature and studies supporting the concept
      2. Case examples of poor outcomes with health literacy issues

   B. The Sixth Vital Sign
      1. protocols for evaluation
      2. materials available for practice

Bibliography/Webliography


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