The Office of Diversity and Inclusion and the Office of Patient Experience at the University of Mississippi Medical Center offer a Basic Medical Spanish Course for healthcare personnel who wish to increase their effectiveness in communicating with Spanish-speaking patients.

Self-paced, on-line sessions will be available from Tuesday, September 7 until Friday, December 17, 2021.

One live virtual session will be held on December 16, 2021 (1:00 - 3:00 pm).
Final exam available Saturday, December 18, 2021 until Friday, January 14, 2022.

Class size is limited and registration is required (Deadline: Tuesday, August 31, 2021).

Go to www.umc.edu/odi to register.

Call (601) 815-5344 for more information.

Who Should Participate?
Healthcare providers and professional staff interested in improving cultural competence to provide better care for diverse patient populations.

Course Topics
- Beliefs and Myths in the Healthcare Setting
- Medical Terminology
- The Medical Interview
- Grammar and Vocabulary in the Clinical Setting

See reverse for the descriptions of course modules.
COURSE MODULES

The Hispanic Culture, the Alphabet, and Numbers
Participants will recognize fundamental beliefs in the Hispanic culture to provide culturally competent care. Participants will also practice pronouncing the alphabet and numbers in Spanish.

Common Medical Phrases, Pronouns, Adjectives, and the Verb “To Be”
Participants will memorize the most used medical phrases and pain terminology in Spanish. Participants will also learn sentence structure using pronouns, adjectives and the verb “to be.”

Medical Supplies, Nouns, and Articles
Learners will memorize the names of the most common medical supplies in Spanish. Participants will also learn sentence structure using nouns and reviewing articles in Spanish.

Basic Medical Commands, the Human Body, and Verbs
Participants will translate essential human body parts and how to give instructions in Spanish. Participants will also recognize sentence structure in Spanish.

Medical Specialties, Specialists, and Negative Sentences
Participants will be able to distinguish medical specialties and specialists in Spanish. Participants will also be able to interpret the structure of negative sentences and words.

The Patient Interview and Formulating Questions
Participants will apply the best techniques for an active interview with Hispanic patients. Participants will also interpret the interrogative sentence structure in Spanish.

The Medical Diagnosis and Adverbs
Participants will memorize common diagnosis and diseases vocabulary in Spanish. Participants will also recognize the use of adverbs in Spanish.

LEGAL DISCLAIMERS:

Medical Spanish Interpreting:
It is strongly recommended that participants do not volunteer for Spanish medical interpreting. Interpreting without appropriate training and supervision can not only be harmful to the patient’s health, but also can cause legal problems. Any medical interpreting by participants without a formal interpretation training and supervision is at the participant’s own risk; this course neither endorses nor has any connection to or liability for interpreting activities.

Medical Terminology:
This course is not the equivalent of an English medical terminology course. The focus of this course is to enable the participant to communicate accurately in Spanish, and in a culturally competent manner with the patients during the healthcare encounters.