

IDEAL RRTC Disability Webinar Series

Reimagining Primary Health Care for Individuals with Disabilities

Thursday, April 14, 2022 2:00 - 3:00 p.m. Eastern Time

Registration link: <https://bit.ly/3D3gwHB>

CART services will be available.

Description

Nearly 1 in 4 individuals report a disability, yet current health care is poorly equipped to care for them. Individuals with disabilities report miscommunication, inaccessible health equipment and facilities, reduced awareness and training by health care providers, and low patient satisfaction while struggling with inadequate health literacy. These factors contribute to existing health inequities. Rethinking and redesigning our health care, through the guidance of innovative clinics and programs, is needed to address these inequities and care for these individuals effectively. This webinar will review current models and strategies that could be widely adopted in health care. These steps can make health care more inclusive and equitable.

Presenter

Michael McKee, MD, MPH, is a family physician with clinical and research expertise in disability health. As a physician with a hearing loss, he is especially interested in advocating for the rights of those with disabilities to obtain equitable health care, including accessible communication. His research focus includes health disparities for individuals with various disabilities, health information accessibility, health literacy, and telemedicine applications.



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Target Audience

In addition to adults with disabilities and consumer advocates, our target audience includes clinicians, students, administrators, and other health care professionals in the fields of family medicine, general medicine, geriatric medicine, internal medicine, otolaryngology, physical medicine and rehabilitation, primary care, and social work. Please see our [MiCME Activity Overview page](#) for more information.



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Objectives

At the end of this webinar, participants will be able to:

1. Discuss how existing health care barriers impact the health of individuals with disabilities.
2. Explain how communication and health literacy principles relate to individuals with disabilities.
3. Screen for potential communication barriers and sources of breakdowns in order to reduce inequities and improve identification of patients with disabilities.
4. Routinely apply best practices that improve the engagement of and clinical accessibility for individuals with disabilities.

After completing this activity, participants will utilize this information and improve their engagement with individuals with disabilities in their health care setting.

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