Health Care Disparities and Cultural Competency Curriculum for Radiologists Instructions

Introduction: The goal of this sustainable, accessible curriculum is to provide radiologists and trainees with educational tools so that they can better understand and address health care disparities. In addition, the curriculum provides information on cultural competency with the goal of making radiology a more welcoming place for all patients and healthcare team members. The curriculum is designed to be presented to trainees over the course of 1 year. The minimum curriculum requirements are necessary to satisfy curriculum completion. Reach activities are also included for programs or individuals who would like to pursue more in-depth knowledge of certain topics. Programs enrolled in this study are required to complete the “minimum” requirements. B

Curriculum Instructions: Four in person sessions are required over 1 year to complete the minimum curriculum. The educational modules should be presented in the order below.

1. Introduction to Health Care Disparities
   a. Minimum requirements (session time approx. 1 hour)
      i. Conduct this session like a journal club
      ii. Have residents review prior to the session
         1. The health care disparities glossary
         2. Read “An Introduction to Health Care Disparities for the Practicing Radiologist” by NM Safdar
         3. Read Racial and Ethnic Disparities in Radiology: A Call to Action” by JR Betancourt et al.
         4. The facilitator (only) of the session should review “Health Care Disparities in Radiology: A Primer for Resident Education” by L Americo et al.
         5. During the session the articles and glossary should be discussed in journal club fashion
   b. Reach activity
      i. Exploring Their Community
         1. Follow instruction for exposing resident to the community they serve through a scavenger hunt

2. Types of Health Care Disparities in Radiology
   a. Minimum Requirements (session time approx. 1 hour)
      i. Facilitator should give the teaching presentations on “Health Care Disparities in Radiology” and “Equity and Access”
   b. Reach Activities – read any of the following articles for more in depth information
      ii. Breast Cancer Screening Recommendations: African American Women Are at a Disadvantage (Rebner M et al, JBI 2020)

v. Relationships Between Health Care Disparities and Coverage Policies for Breast, Colon, and Lung Cancer Screening (Berland LL et al, JACR 2019)

vi. Improving Lung Cancer Screening Access for Individuals With Serious Mental Illness (Flores EJ et al, JACR 2019)

vii. Racial and Ethnic Differences in Diagnostic Imaging Utilization During Adult Emergency Department Visits in the United States, 2005 to 2014 (Schranger JD et al, JACR 2019)


3. Actions to Address Health Care Disparities
   a. Minimum requirements (session time approx. 1 hour)
      i. Facilitator should present the teaching presentation on “Action to Address Health Care Disparities in Radiology”
      ii. Small group discussion cases
   b. Reach Activities – read any of the following articles for more in depth information
      i. “The Role of the ACR Data Science Institute in Advancing Health Equity in Radiology” by B Allen et al
      ii. “Quality Improvement and Reimbursement: An Opportunity to Address Health Disparities in Radiology” by SG Harrington et al.
      iii. “U.S Health Disparities – Opportunities for Radiologists” by N Kadom
      iv. “Community Breast Health Education for Immigrants and Refugees: Lessons Learned in Outreach Efforts to Reduce Cancer Disparities” by S Kamraju et al
      v. “Radiology Support, Communication, and Alignment Network and Its Role to Promote Health Equity in the Delivery of Radiology Care” by KY Wang et al.

4. Cultural Competency and Humility
   a. Minimum Requirement (session time approx. 1 hour)
      i. Pre-lecture required reading
         1. “Microaggression in Radiology” by CM DeBenedectis et al
         2. “Unconscious Bias” by N Kagetsu et al
         3. “Cultural competency in diagnostic imaging” by FH Lee et al
      ii. Facilitator to give lecture “Creating a Cultural Competency Curriculum” and “How cultural competency can help reduce health disparities”
   b. Reach Activities - read any of the following articles for more in depth information
      i. Small group discussion cases on cultural competency
      ii. Mitigating Asian American Bias and Xenophobia in Response to the Coronavirus Pandemic: How You Can Be an Upstander- by Christopher P. Ho et al
      iii. Cultural humility versus cultural competence: A critical distinction in defining physician training outcomes in multicultural education – by Melanie Tervalon et al
      iv. Radiologykey.com/diversity/
      v. How diverse is your universe? An activity for students to reflect on ethnoracial diversity during orientation- by Tahira J. West et al