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Management of Patients with Specific Medical Beliefs

If your medical staff needs an update on managing patients with specific medical beliefs, consider contacting our office to book a speaker at 877-505-4777 or info@speakersnetwork.com.

What is the problem

Patients may have specific health and healthcare beliefs based on prior experiences, cultural backgrounds, or religious beliefs. Care providers may be unsure how to address these beliefs when they affect patients' choices to accept or decline recommended medical care. While nobody can be aware of all possible patient beliefs, some awareness of the most common belief systems can help open the conversation. Taking the time to explore a patient's beliefs in a curious and non-judgemental manner can lead to a productive decision process and respect for patient autonomy.

Learning Objectives

- Use active listening techniques to identify important aspects of patients' beliefs as they relate to health and healthcare
- Manage difficult situations when a patient's beliefs and expectations do not align with those of the healthcare provider
- Identify commonly held beliefs that can affect a patient's interaction with the healthcare system

How do we know this is a problem

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