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New Streaming Videos:

Communicating Effectively in Healthcare When Wearing a Mask

[Streaming](#). 7 min. 2025. Professional.

Masks cover the lower part of one's face, obscuring a lot of a person's facial expressions. They also muffle sound. In medical settings, wearing a mask is often a standard practice. So, what happens to communication when you are wearing a mask and how can you make sure you are still communicating effectively?

Featuring interviews with communications professors and professionals and showing examples in healthcare settings, this program examines these special challenges, presenting tips on how to compensate for both facial expression and volume of speech when wearing a mask.

Marijuana 101 for Nurses

[Streaming](#). 53 min. 2022. Professional.

In this podcast, Anne Fulton and Dr. Thomas discuss the history, politics, and pharmacology of marijuana, including cannabinoid hyperemesis syndrome and effective patient communication. It explains that healthcare has a complex and convoluted relationship with marijuana.

Nursing Professionalism: The Professional Nurse Summary

[Streaming](#). 8 min. 2023. Adult.

This program addresses the various aspects of professional behavior required of nurses, from ethics and values to cultural competence and responsibility to patients. Nurses can improve patient safety, satisfaction, and overall health outcomes by exhibiting professionalism.

ECI Books and Video:

The DSHS AV Library contracts with HHSC Early Childhood Intervention [to provide library services and maintain a collection of ECI resources](#). Here are some of the newest selections in this collection.

Movement Difficulties in Developmental Disorders: Practical Guidelines and Assessment for Management

Book or [eBook](#). David Sugde. 2019. CPE=5.75 (WS 342 S947 2019 ECI)

This book presents evidence-based approaches to assessing and managing movement disorders in children. It examines not just children with developmental coordination disorder, but also children with movement difficulties as a co-occurring secondary characteristic of another development disorder, including Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder, Autism Spectrum Disorder, Specific language Impairment and Dyslexia. Guidelines are underpinned by motor learning theory, empiricism and professional practice. It has case studies to demonstrate the adaptability of guidelines and show how they may be applied to children of different ages, abilities, and environments.

Understanding Shared Services in Early Childhood Education

Book. Amanda L. Krause-DiScala. 2023. CPE=1.75 (LB 1139.23 K91 2023 ECI)

Shared services allow us to collaborate with other professionals and save time and money, focusing these resources instead on increasing quality, addressing workforce issues, and expanding access of services to children and families with fewer barriers. This book explains how leveraging shared services systems can help through pooling resources and information and sharing access to technology such as automation and financial management systems.

Vaccines: Calling the Shots

DVD. 60 min. 2014. Professional. (DD0680)

Diseases that were largely eradicated in the United States a generation ago, including whooping cough, measles, and mumps, are returning. They are returning, in part, because nervous parents are skipping their children's shots. This NOVA special takes viewers around the world to track epidemics, explore the science behind vaccinations, and shed light on the risks of opting out. The menu allows viewers to access bonus programs on the history of vaccination, polio, and the use of the HPV vaccine in the country of Bhutan.

[Safety Training Streaming Videos from AP Safety Training:](#)

Safe Electrical Work Practices and the 2024 NFPA 70E for Electrical Workers

[Streaming](#). 28 min. 2023. Professional.

This program provides electrical workers with an understanding of the requirements of the 2024 NFPA 70E that relate to the safe performance of electrical work. It explains the dual hazards of electric shock and arc flash and the factors that contribute to the severity of injury. Electrical workers will also learn the conditions that require an electrically safe work condition to be established.

To the Point About Bloodborne Pathogens Awareness for Construction Workers

[Streaming](#). 13 min. 2019. Professional.

This program discusses the dangers of bloodborne pathogens and how to control our exposure to them to prevent disease and possibly save a life. A construction site is an ever-changing workplace, a workplace full of hazards that can hurt us, make us ill, or kill us. Controlling these hazards and keeping construction workers safe is the point of your safety and health program.

To the Point About Hazardous Spill Response

[Streaming](#). 10 min. 2024. Professional.

This program discusses the different roles in a HazMat Spill Response Team, their PPE, and some basic ways to clean up a spill safely. Controlling these hazards and preventing injuries is the point of our safety and health program. One such hazard is the one presented by the uncontrolled release of a hazardous material, or "HazMat."

National Immunization Awareness Month:

Addressing Vaccine Concerns

DVD. 7 min. 2019. Professional. (DV1277)

Texas pediatrician Dr. Ari Brown discusses vaccine safety and efficacy. The Throgmorton and Lastinger families share stories of how they lost their beloved children to the vaccine preventable diseases on influenza and whooping cough.

The Human Body: Immune System

[Streaming](#). 14 min. 2022. Professional.

This video covers the immune system and how it keeps the body healthy, covering concepts like transmission, allergies, and blood cells. It discusses the difference between the immune system as a whole and as the body's defenses. It describes immune system disorders and gives tips to promote healthy immune systems.

Pandemic Flu Facts And Prevention

[Streaming](#). 6 min. 2020.

As defined by CDC, an influenza pandemic is a global outbreak of a new influenza A virus. Pandemics happen when new or novel influenza A viruses infect people and spread quickly and efficiently. Most people will have little to no immunity to pandemic flus because they have never been exposed and there are no vaccines. Remember, education is the first step in prevention. Prevention is the key to reducing the threat of a pandemic.

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