

# WAPI's 18th Annual Interdisciplinary CME Conference

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POTENTIAL BARRIERS

Barrier	Describe how will this educational activity address these potential barriers and the strategies used?
Lack of time to assess or counsel patients	<p><b>Emphasizing that physicians try to</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Understand the illness experience of the patient - perceive each patient's experience as unique - foster a more egalitarian relationship with patients - build a therapeutic alliance with patients to meet mutually understood goals of therapy - develop self-awareness of personal effects on patients encourage patients to share experiences with therapy because</li> <li>Initiating a dialogue to discourage misunderstandings, problems to therapy</li> </ul>
Cost:	<p><b>Informing the audience regarding how to deal with n</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Taking the time to ask about a patient's financial circumstances that can affect compliance. Patients are often reluctant to tell physicians that they've lost a job and can't afford medicine," "</li> <li>Making it a standard to inquire about whether they might have trouble filling prescriptions or returning for follow-up care."</li> <li>Counseling patients about dosage when money is tight because some patients split pills to make them last longer. Physicians can also provide free samples, substitute generics whenever appropriate, and refer patients to pharmaceutical company or government assistance programs on compliance due to Cost issues by</li> </ul>
Lack of administrative support/resources:	<p><b>treatment decisions based on the availability of resources is harsh</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>treatment decisions based on the availability of resources is harsh , however the best policy would be encouraging the physicians to develop and implement a proactive, consistent, fair, scientifically sound process for handling treatment decisions</li> </ul>
Patient Compliance Issues	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Better Communication with patients (It establishes an ongoing relationship between the professional and the patient. This provides the exchange of information necessary to assess a patient's health condition, implement treatment of medical problems, and evaluate the effects of treatment on a patient's quality of life.</li> <li>Communication during drug therapy</li> <li>Purpose of medication - How medication works - Dose and duration of therapy - Goals of therapy - How effectiveness will be monitored - Adverse effects and how to deal with them - Drug specific issue</li> </ul>
Insurance/reimbursement issues	<p><b>Making sure the physician and his/her staff is updated on the latest</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ICD codes,</li> <li>MU2, Decrease</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Denials by submitting clean claims,</li> <li>• Maintenance of certification</li> </ul>
<b>Lack of consensus on professional guidelines</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Develop Protocols and checklists as they have been shown to reduce patient harm through improved standardization and communication.</b></li> <li>• <b>Making physicians aware of such protocols so they can be Implemented</b></li> </ul>

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*WAPI, an organization that is driven by the consensus of its members that has the following mission:*



*To provide an umbrella organization to bring together American Physicians, Dentists and Allied Healthcare Professionals of Indian Origin, defining Indian in the broad sense of Indian Ancestry; to provide a conduit to strive to be an exemplary strong ethnic group of professionals with a mission to serve the community by their expertise, cultural heritage and charitable work; to provide high educational and social services to its members. We envision this to be a collegial organization with actively participating members, who believe in its mission and are willing to further its cause.*