

# Improving Communication between Health Professionals and Older Patients:

## Geriatric Health Literacy

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9:30 am – 3:00 pm

Family Health Center  
Lecture Hall  
1600 Providence Dr  
Waco, TX 76707

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### Registration Form

## Improving Communication between Health Professionals and Older Patients: *Geriatric Health Literacy*

I am interested in participating in this workshop.

I would like to obtain more information on ETGEC programs

### Contact information:

Last Name

First Name, Middle Initial

Street Address

City, State, Zip code

I am a(n): *(Check all that apply)*

Practicing health professional

Instructor in health professions

Student in health professions

Health discipline:

**Please list health discipline:** (e.g. Medicine, Nursing, Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, Physician Assistant, Social Worker, Respiratory Care, and Clinical Laboratory Science)

E-mail address

(Area Code) Daytime Phone Number

Brochure and online registration  
available on our web site:

<http://etgec.utmb.edu>

**The purpose of this workshop is to provide health practitioners with opportunities to:**

1. Discuss interprofessional models of geriatric health literacy
2. Participate in 'train-the-trainer' strategies to promote components of health literacy
3. Apply communication skills to meet health literacy goals and improve care management outcomes



**Targeting all Health Care Providers, Faculty and Students in Health Professions**

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|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| Medicine (M.D., D.O.)         | Occupational Therapy |
| Nursing (LVN, R.N., NP)       | Physical Therapy     |
| Physician Assistants          | Social Worker        |
| Respiratory Care              | Clinical Psychology  |
| Health Service Administrators |                      |

**Health Literacy**

Health literacy is the degree to which individuals have the capacity to obtain, process, and understand basic health information and services needed to make appropriate health decisions.

The University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston (UTMB) is accredited by the Accreditation Council of Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) to sponsor continuing medical education for physicians.

Continuing education credits for this workshop is being applied for Continuing Medical Education (CME), Continuing Nursing Education (CNE) and CEUs for Social Work, Physical Therapy and Occupational Therapy.

- **NO REGISTRATION FEE**
- Free Continuing Education Units (CEUs) applied

**Program Schedule**

<b>9:30-10:00am - Registration</b>
<b>10:00-10:15am - Welcome</b> Jim Ellor, PhD – Baylor University Tony DiNuzzo, PhD – ETGEC, UTMB
<b>10:15 – 10:30 Models for Train-the-Trainer Program</b> Speaker: Jim Ellor, PhD
<b>10:30–11:15 Challenges to Geriatric Health Literacy</b> Speaker: Tony DiNuzzo, PhD
<b>11:15 – 12:00pm Communication Skills in GHL</b> Speakers: Kretcha M. Roldan-Rodriguez, LMSW Debbie McElveen, LMSW, MACCM, BSN, RN
<b>12:00 – 1:00pm Lunch - Focus group session</b>
<b>1:00 – 1:30pm Feedback – Focus groups</b> Moderator: Robin Rogers, PhD
<b>1:30 – 3:00 Potential Solutions to Improving GHL: Interprofessional Panel Discussion</b> Moderator: Brian Dodd, MHSM

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