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Program for Educators in Health Professions

Gain the skills and insights required to become a leader in your institution, informed by deep reflection on the central questions and assumptions driving healthcare education today.

A Systems Approach to Assessment in Health Professions Education

Prepare to develop and lead a data-driven assessment strategy that harnesses the right information to power decision-making and improvements to enhance your institution.

Health Care Education 2.0 - Transforming Your Teaching for the Digital Age

Expand your use of new technologies to engage your students and create interactive learning environments inside and outside the classroom.

Program for Post-Graduate Trainees: Future Academic Clinician-Educators

Enhance both your teaching and learning skills and your scholarship as a future academic clinician-educator in this 3-day intensive program for post-graduate residents and fellows.

Leading Innovations in Health Care & Education

Collaborate with colleagues across disciplines to develop approaches and action plans to help you lead and manage change in your institution.

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OVERVIEW

The Harvard Macy Institute's A Systems Approach to Assessment in Health Professions Education is designed to encourage participants to apply systems thinking in designing assessment programs to support the continuous quality improvement of students/trainees, faculty, and curricula at their academic health science institutions. The program incorporates multiple pedagogical methods, including interactive presentations, case discussions, small group journal clubs, institutional planning groups, selectives (focused mini-workshops on assessment tools and approaches), and consultations with faculty experts. During this intensive 5-day program, educators and administrators from diverse health science disciplines will be introduced to key concepts from system theory, best practices in educational assessment, and mini-workshops focused on specific assessment approaches. Throughout the program, participants will also have an opportunity to apply systems principles in case discussions depicting problematic assessment situations and to plan an assessment/evaluation design to implement at their home institution.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

Upon completion of this course, participants will be able to:
- Assess the educational components of their home institution from a systems perspective
- Identify the primary functions of individual educational components of their (sub)system
- Identify the essential processes that need to occur at the interfaces between/among components within their educational system to add value to the quality of graduates
- Outline the communication pathways that currently exist within their educational (sub) system
- Examine the quality of their institution's communication pathways, specifically for 1) the flow of multiple sources of performance data to individuals/groups (hubs) best positioned to interpret assessment information in context and 2) the existence of direct feedback pathways to individuals/groups empowered to make corrections and adjustments
- Design and implement a comprehensive systems-based assessment program to evaluate their institution's performance in promoting a primary educational goal

TARGET AUDIENCE

- Physicians
- Psychologists
- Nurse Practitioners
- Social Workers
- Physician Assistants
- Nurses

The target audience for the “Systems Approach to Assessment” includes individuals in all specialties involved in health science profession education – faculty, educators, alumni, planners, and administrators.

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COURSE LOCATION

All sessions for this course will be held at Harvard Medical School, Joseph B. Martin Conference Center, 77 Avenue Louis Pasteur, Boston, MA.

ACCOMMODATIONS/TRAVEL

Please do not purchase non-refundable airline ticket(s) until you have received an email from HMS office confirming your paid registration.

“The small group process has been critical in helping me better articulate the problems and issues facing our institution in terms of assessment so that I can more clearly pose solutions to them.”

Melissa Alexander, EdD
Director of Student Assessment
Office of Undergraduate Medical Education
Indiana University School of Medicine

“I learned so much over the past week and met some amazing educators from around the world. I now have a different perspective on how to assess learners and how to frame everything with systems thinking.”

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