



## Medical Spanish Registration

This confirms my intention to take the AHEC 30-hour Medical Spanish course being offered on Tuesdays and Thursdays, 5:30 – 8:30 p.m. from June 9 – July 9, 2009.

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My check for \$45, made payable to **Gulfcoast South AHEC**, is enclosed.

Mail payment and registration to:

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## About AHEC

The USF AHEC Program connects students to careers, professionals to communities and communities to better health. We inspire, train, recruit and retain a diverse and broad range of health professionals to practice in communities where the need is greatest.

The USF AHEC Program began in 1993 and covers a nine-county area on the central west coast of the state. Community activities are carried out by our two local AHEC Centers, Gulfcoast North AHEC in Land O' Lakes serving Citrus, Hernando, Hillsborough, Pasco and Pinellas counties and Gulfcoast South AHEC in Sarasota, which serves Charlotte, Desoto, Manatee and Sarasota counties.

The USF AHEC Program and its centers coordinate clinical training opportunities at community-based sites for students who are enrolled in a health professions training program. The AHEC sites bring health disparities to life for students, who see first-hand the needs of uninsured and underinsured patients.

We recruit talented, dedicated health professionals who want to make a difference in the community and match them with positions in medically underserved communities. And we support local health care by providing resources such as continuing education programs, library services and technical assistance to meet health professionals' needs in order to retain them in the communities who need them most.



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## Easy Spanish for Health Care Professionals

The University of South Florida Area Health Education Center Program Office (USF AHEC) and Gulfcoast North Area Health Education Center (GNAHEC), are offering a Medical Spanish course to health professions students and professionals at the USF College of Medicine and surrounding health care community.

Participants will learn how to communicate more effectively with Spanish-speaking patients through basic Spanish language skills with an emphasis on communicating across cultures in the health care setting.



### Course Objectives

At the completion of the course, participants will be able to:

- \* Utilize basic Spanish language skills and medical terminology to communicate with Spanish-speaking patients in a health care setting.
- \* Describe the importance of cultural sensitivity in working with patients from different cultures.
- \* Demonstrate appropriate use of medical interpreters/translators in a health care setting.

### How much will the course cost?

The course fee per participant is \$45.00. This includes 30 contact hours of class and the instructional manual. All additional costs related to the conduct of this course are being paid by the University of South Florida AHEC Program.

Enrollment will be limited to 15 - 20 participants per class. Classes with fewer than 8 registrants will be cancelled and fees returned.

### When will classes be held?

June 9 - July 9, 2009. Tuesdays & Thursdays, 5:30 - 8:30 PM. (6 hours/week for 5 weeks)  
*Registration deadline: May 22, 2009*

### Where will the classes be held?

USF College of Medicine.

### Who should take this course?

Medical Spanish is designed for health care professionals who would like to be able to communicate better with Spanish speaking patients. Physicians, nurses, allied health providers, medical office staff, and students are welcomed to enroll. This course will introduce non-Spanish speaking professionals to conversation that will assist in communicating with patients in a health care setting. Please note that this is not a medical terminology course.

*If you speak Spanish well this course is not for you.*

### Continuing Education Credit

**Nursing** - Gulfcoast South Area Health Education Center, Inc. is a Florida Board of Nursing approved provider of continuing nursing education. CE Broker Provider ID #50-840. This program meets the requirements for up to **30** contact hours.

**Mental Health** - Gulfcoast North Area Health Education Center, Inc. is a Florida Board of Clinical Social Work, Marriage and Family Therapy, and Mental Health Counseling approved provider, BAP #50-839 of continuing education. This program meets the requirements for up to **30** contact hours.

Students receiving continuing education credits who miss more than 3 hours per course will not be eligible to receive any CE hours; no partial credit will be awarded.

The Florida/Caribbean AETC will sponsor the course fee for FL licensed HIV/AIDS clinicians. For further information on Florida/Caribbean AETC sponsorship, call Jason Longo at (813) 974-9006 or [longo@fmhi.usf.edu](mailto:longo@fmhi.usf.edu).

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