

#### **Adult Education**

# What is learning?

- A process of growth and change
  - transforming new knowledge, insights, skills and values into BEHAVIOR
  - active process, goal-directed
  - involves conflict and resistance
  - decision to change is necessary before learning can occur



## Why is learning necessary?

- solve problems
- satisfy curiosity
- acquire new skills
- introduce improvements
- explore new ideas
- work related needs



#### Obstacles to learning and compliance

- The objective of many educational programs is to change staff behavior to correct a problem.
- Obstacles to learning/compliance
  - lack of knowledge
  - apathy
  - negative attitude, excuses
  - faulty equipment or inadequate supplies

#### Other Obstacles to Learning and Compliance

- Knowledge vs. Ability to perform
- Passive Learner Response depends on the teaching mode
- Intimidated to speak out or participate
- Fear of failure with new information or tasks
- Learning not customized to needs
- Learning blocks learning capabilities

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  - knowledge Know the pathophysiology of HA-UTI
  - comprehension Understand the equipment risks
  - application
  - analysis
  - synthesis

- Apply principles of asepsis to inserting an indwelling catheter
- Can evaluate a study on UTI infections

evaluation

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- HCW perceived the need to act or think differently
- Curiosity increases and gathers
  data to explore this need
- Weighs the advantages and disadvantages of new information "trial run"
- Deals with conflict get things right
- New behavior integrated into practice

## Learning Theories

- Psychoanalytic Inner motivation –forces, urges
- Behavioral Conditioned response Pavlov
- Humanistic Capacity for growth; whole person self directed
- Maslow need to learn survival to self actualization





#### Andragogy vs. pedagogy

- Andragogy -- the art and science of helping adults learn
- Pedagogy the art and science of helping children learn



#### **Malcolm Knowles**





Knowles made four assumptions about adults as learners:

- (1) Adults tend to be more self-directed as a result of their maturity,
- (2) Adults possess personal histories which defines their identities and serve as a resource of experiential learning upon which new learnings can be applied,
- (3) Motivation in adults is directed to more socially relevant learning, and
- (4) Adult learners have interest in immediate application for problem-solving.

#### Andragogy – The art and science of helping adults learn

#### The Adult Learner



- Ready to learn
- Practical rather than academic
- Areas of personal experience to learn
- Self directed learner
- Life experiences use in learning and attach value
- Will speak out about satisfaction or dissatisfaction

#### **Alternative Learning Theories**

- Connective thinking movement
  - Bubble maps, tree maps, time lines
- Cooperative learning
  - Problem-based Scenarios- students work together- tutorials
- Outcome-based
  - Objectives established student sets pace



#### Hand Hygiene



#### **Mindmap Basic Structure**



www.images.google.comj Mind mapping



# Scenarios



Hospital is notified that hurricane is expected

Patient admitted to MICU with 3 lines, ET tube, urinary catheter. How prevent device – associated infections?

ati.ucsd.edu/images/ group.jpg

#### Motivation for learning for Adults





- goal-oriented -- to gain specific objectives
- activity-oriented seek educational experience to gain the activity
- learning-oriented pursue learning for sake of learning (have desire "to know")

#### **Educational Program Components**

- 1. Plan
  - Assess needs (gap analysis of needs and desired behavior)
  - Develop lesson plan (how the learning will occur)
  - Write goals and objectives
- 2. Teach
  - deliver educational session to achieve goals and objectives
- 3. Evaluate
  - determine whether goals and objectives were met by program

## Tools for getting learners involved

- Polling the group
- Subgroup discussions
- Learning partners
- Response cards
- Role play
- Focus groups
- Fishbowl exercise
- Demonstrations
- Games



#### **Educational Plan**

- Assess needs
  - Who is audience?
  - What do they need/want to know?
  - Where will session be delivered?
  - Why is it important?
  - How will the ICP know if learning occurred?

#### Program on Management of TB

- Nursing staff or Housekeepers
- Patient care vs Cleaning
- Transmission
- Classroom, Department, Auditorium
- Provide rationale for TB Mgt
- Patient Teaching, PPE, Other



#### Methods to Assess Learner Needs

- Self evaluation
- Focus groups
- Surveys
- Tests
- Interviews
- Observation
- Injury Reports



#### **Developing Goals and Objectives**

- Goal: overall purpose of learning experience
- Objectives: specific actions learner will perform as result of instruction
  - use action verbs what is learner expected TO DO?
  - At the completion of this session, the learner will be able to....

#### **Objectives**

- verbs should match cognitive level
  - Recall -- measures learner recognition
    of facts, rote recall

- State, Describe, List

 Application - requires comprehension to discuss or describe (in own words) what was learned

- Apply, Initiate

 Analysis - requires learner to contrast, differentiate, solve

- Analyze, Decide, Evaluate

#### Objectives (2)

- Choose verbs to indicate domain of learning
  - cognitive
  - affective
  - psychomotor
- objectives must be measurable
- objectives clue the learner to content of test or evaluation

#### IC Goal Objective Examples

- The learner will be able to insert a Foley catheter using aseptic technique
- The learner will be able to describe 3 patient care methods to prevent VAP
- The learner will be able to respond to the human factors in a culture of safety

#### **Core Principles of Adult Learning**

- The learners have a "need to know".
- Self-directed learning
- Prior experiences
- Readiness to learn
- Orientation to learning and problem solving
- Motivation to learn



# Self-directed learning



#### Prior Experiences of the Learner

Create biases, differences, values and perspectives that shape new learning.

Varicella – own childhood or child's chickenpox TB – had an older uncle with TB Hand hygiene – mom taught to always wash hand



## Personal and Situational Influences on Readiness to Learn

- age
- health
- life phase
- psychological development
- self concept

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#### Motivation to Learn

- Adults want to
- be successful
- have a choice
- learn something they value
- experience the learning as pleasure
- 3 R's relevancy, relationship, responsibility

#### Appropriate climate for learning

- Comfortable seating, lighting
- Audio-visual equipment working well
- Eliminate distractions
- Atmosphere of
  - mutual respect
  - friendliness
  - informal and supportive
  - acknowledge questions, opinions

## Appropriate climate for learning (2)

- The leaders can enhance understanding and learning retention of participants in these ways:
  - know content
  - try to be visible to all participants
  - make eye contact
  - use handouts and audiovisuals effectively
  - engage participants in discussion, role-play, return demonstration, real-life examples
  - Summarize and review major points



# What are the most effective and ineffective instructional methods for adults?

- Lecture
  - straight lecture
  - guided note-taking
  - chalk board/flip chart notes
  - slide-lecture
  - combination of lecture, demonstration, discussion

Least Effective Method

#### Instructional Methods (2)

- Computer-assisted instruction
- Train-the-trainer
- Re-enactment Role-play
- Personal case history (anecdotes)
- Simulation (e.g., mock isolation room) Multimedia
- Flip charts, slides, transparencies, tapes, videos

#### Instructional Methods (3)

- Educational cart (mobile unit)
- Multimedia
- Audiovisual aids
  - chalkboards
  - overhead projectors
  - slides
  - videotapes
  - computers



#### The Learning Pyramid

#### Average Learning Retention Rates

http://www.tcde.tehama.k12.ca.us/images/pyramid.jpg

#### **Instructional Methods**

- Computer-based instruction
- Train the Trainer
- Reenactment (Role Play)
- Case Studies
- Simulation

## **Computer-Based Training**

- Books to Computers
- Passive to Interactive
- Generational Learning Styles



Case Study: An Outbreak of Cutaneous Aspergillosis

## Investigations

#### Verify and determine the source of contaminant?







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#### Case Study: An Outbreak of Cutaneous Aspergillosis

Investigations confirmed:



- Cluster of 4 cases in burn and surgical wounds.
- Traced to outside packaging of dressing supplies.
- Construction in central inventory control area
- Inoculation of large exposed surface areas of wounds by dressing materials.

**Infect Control Hosp Epidemiol 1996;17170-172** 



#### **Small Group Tutorials**



Hospital Epidemiologist leads a tutorial with physicians about the antibiotic use in patients

ICP meets with ICU nurses to lead a tutorial on preventing VAPS

#### **Instructional Methods**

- Self learning modules
   Self paced
- Distant learning web cast
- Mentoring

#### Evaluation

- Evaluate behavior change
  - provide evaluation of objectives for participants
  - give feedback to educator
  - provide information to improve next session
  - provide justification and accountability for program

#### **Types of Evaluation**

- Formative evaluation
  - conducted during educational session
  - provides immediate feedback
  - allows changes to be made quickly
- Summative evaluation
  - conducted at end of program
  - is used to judge overall effectiveness

# **Elements of Evaluation**

- Appropriateness of program design
- Adequacy of teaching and other resources (e.g., audio-visual
- Knowledge, skills, attitudes learned by participants
- Methods for data collection
  - pre-tests/post-tests
  - direct observation of behavior changes
  - questionnaires
  - interviews

#### **Education and Training**

# An essential element of ICP education and responsibilities



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