

SDSLHA Convention

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Title: Caring for non-verbal patients in the hospital setting

Learner outcomes: As a result of this presentation, learners will be able to

- a. Discuss present dependence hospitals have on verbal communicators.
- b. Detail the impact of providing alternative communication methods to non-verbal communicators.
- c. Describe how to utilize alternative communication methods to improve assessment of patients cognitive and linguistic status.
- d. Review alternative options for bedside communication to healthcare staff (both high-tech and low-tech).
- e. Provide resources for affordable low-tech alternative communication options for healthcare facilities.
- f. Provide resources to obtain high-tech alternative communication options for healthcare facilities.

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