**Course Description:** Difficult Conversations in Healthcare: Teaching and Practice in an Interprofessional World is a 1-day interprofessional faculty development course that offers the opportunity to learn about a variety of innovative methods and strategies for teaching and enhancing relational capacities, communication skills, attention to values and ‘everyday ethics’, professionalism, and interprofessional collaboration and practice.

**Learning:** Course participants will have the opportunity to learn about and experience an innovative relational learning model, known as the Program to Enhance Relational and Communication Skills (PERCS), developed at Boston Children’s Hospital, Harvard Medical School. Participants will also learn about the International Charter for Human Values in Healthcare, that was created by an interprofessional global collaborative to enhance attention to values and skilled communication in healthcare.

We will create a safe environment for relational learning, experience a variety of teaching methods, and integrate patient / family and interprofessional perspectives in innovative ways.

The course provides a rich opportunity for participants to observe and experience a variety of teaching methods and strategies including:

- Realistic enactments with professional actors, collaborative teamwork, and reflection and feedback
- Use of narratives for learning and reflection
- Appreciative inquiry
- Videotape and discussion
- Interprofessional collaboration and teamwork
- Values and everyday ethics
- Small group team-based learning
- Large group discussion
- Facilitated reflections

**Who should attend:** The course is designed for physicians in all specialties; multidisciplinary healthcare professionals; medical/interprofessional education leaders; residency and clerkship directors; clinicians/practitioners (dentists, veterinarians, nurses, social workers, psychologists, pharmacists, physical therapists, chaplains, and others) who work with patients of any age across the lifespan; patient safety and quality staff; and others involved in teaching and/or interested in the course topics.

1 –day course offered twice in 2018:

**2018 Dates**
Saturday, May 12th
Saturday, June 9th

**Location**
Landmark Center
Boston, MA, USA

**Course Time**
9:00 AM – 5:00 PM

**Course Webpage**
https://is.gd/CourseInfo

To Register
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“**It was absolutely fantastic, actors were excellent.”**
- Past Participant

**This was wonderful and such a unique learning experience!”**
- Past Participant
Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this course, participants will be able to:

- Identify and discuss educational strategies and facilitation skills in order to teach and learn about communication skills, professionalism, ‘everyday ethics’, interprofessional collaboration and teamwork, and relationship-centered healthcare
- Discuss the philosophy and components of relational learning as practiced in the Institute for Professionalism and Ethical Practice’s (IPEP) Program to Enhance Relational and Communication Skills (PERCS)
- Develop and explore strategies to promote and implement relationship-centered teaching and learning within one’s home institution

The small course size – 20 to 30 participants – allows for a rich, learner-centered experience.

Course Faculty
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Accreditation – earn up to
Physicians:
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  o American Board of Internal Medicine
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- Commensurate credits with The Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada and the European Union of Medical Specialists

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*Course teaching team. Several faculty teach at each presentation of the course.

More Information
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