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Medical Spanish Pocketcard Set



Synopsis

The Medical Spanish pocketcard Set represents a vital communication tool for anyone working with Spanish-speaking patients. It is the perfect supplement to our Medical Spanish pocket. Numerous ready-to-use words and phrases including greetings, common commands and questions, body parts, medical terms, physical exam terms, and much more. With its clearly organized structure, the Medical Spanish pocketcard set is an ideal companion in the doctor's office, on hospital rounds, and during consultations. With these pocketcards, language should never be a barrier to communicating with Spanish-speaking patients. For students, residents, nurses and all other healthcare professionals.

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Customer Reviews

As a nurse in Dallas TX, you HAVE to know some spanish, as anywhere from 1-3 of your patients each day is spanish-speaking only. I had the misfortune of growing up in Tennessee (I got to TX as soon as I could =-), so I chose to learn French earlier which hasn't helped me so far in communicating to a single patient. Anyway, this little guy fits in your pocket but is a bit tall. It's got almost all of the essentials like body parts, common diseases, numbers, tells you how to say I've called a translator...etc. But I've found that the middle two pages don't help very much to a floor nurse- they're just kinda random questions and statements. I love how it's plastic though and you can just wipe it off with alcohol or whatever so you won't spread cooties. Pretty good bang for the buck.

I ordered this set as an aide to learning Spanish medical terms. Since I am already fluent in English/Spanish I really just needed the more specific Spanish terminology for such terms as CT scan, coagulation, arthroscopy, etc. Since I was already placing an order for a Spanish Medical Dictionary, I tossed this one in with the order just in case. For someone who is not already familiar with Spanish, this is obviously a great tool. It's neatly divided into categories such as Common Commands, Days of the Week, Numbers and Time, Common Questions, etc. It also includes typical interview questions such as "hello, I'm Dr ---" "How long have you been sick?" etc. Categories are also included for the interview, medical history, the physical exam, diagnosis & medication, tests, and nursing instruction. Something to keep in mind is that these cards are basically a one-sided interview/conversation. It's a great tool for helping you ask the correct question, but if you are unable to correctly interpret the patient's answer, it may not be of much use. With a little knowledge of Spanish pronunciation, these cards are the perfect aide to the healthcare professional. (Note that no pronunciation guide is included and you must have a basic understanding of Spanish pronunciation and some abbreviations as well.) In my case, the only actual part that was of any real use to me was the relatively small column of medical terms and the tests. Nevertheless, I would recommend it to other bilinguals in the case that you need to learn a few basic medical terms on the go since it does fit neatly in a shirt pocket.

I bought this card when I came to the US to start my residency, after I found out that not every patient speaks English. Now, after 20 months, I don't need to carry it with me anymore, since in a few months almost all words and phrases have become part of my routine. The most important benefit though, is that the communication with the Spanish speaking population has markedly improved and I feel more comfortable taking history from them. This card has been a good tool and overall is highly recommended, but don't expect it to be like having a translator or being able to understand everything in Spanish.

My gripe with these cards has to do with my eyesight, I'm no kid and having to reach for my reading glasses makes these much less useful. I'd greatly prefer a slightly bigger size with LARGER PRINT.

These cards are great. My only criticism is that I wish they were a tad smaller, so they would fit in my scrub pockets or the pockets of my lab coat. They are tall, so they stick out.

This is a good price, completely waterproof, very thorough, but if your eyesight is bad the writing is very small.

well worth the money for someone who knows basic Spanish and encounters Spanish speaking patients on a somewhat regular basis.

These little cards have a lot of information that you can use in a pinch. Definitely not a substitute for knowing the language, but good for jogging the memory, especially on the names of those body parts that you don't use much in regular conversation.

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