**EQIPP: ADHD - Diagnose, Treat, and Monitor**

**Description & Learning Objectives**

This course helps guide primary care clinicians (PCCs) in the evidence-based processes for diagnosing, treating, and monitoring of children and adolescents with ADHD. It provides practical ways to measure and improve the quality of ADHD care delivery.

Learning Objectives:

Be familiar with the following:

* Recognize the Primary Care Clinician’s (PCC) responsibility for initiating an evaluation for ADHD when the family expresses concern about their child’s behavior.
* Identify and use age-appropriate, validated ADHD rating scales to gather information the child or adolescent’s ADHD symptoms and impairment.
* Screen/assess for other conditions that might mimic or be comorbid with ADHD. Treat or refer patients having comorbid conditions if outside the expertise of the PCC.
* Determine the basis of the ADHD diagnosis, including that DSM-5 criteria have been met and that symptoms and impairment are evident in two or more major settings.
* Recognize ADHD as a chronic condition and identify the patient with ADHD as a child or youth with special health care needs (CYSHCN).
* Provide initial and ongoing ADHD education suitable for the age, health literacy, language, and culture of patient/family.
* Lead discussions to help patients/families establish/update feasible treatment goals.
* Make guideline-based and age-appropriate treatment recommendations including behavioral therapy/intervention and medication as appropriate. Recognize the PCC’s responsibility to titrate doses of medication to achieve maximum benefit and limit adverse effects.
* Identify ADHD treatment resources within the community and beyond to which you can refer patients needing more specialized care.
* Realize the pediatric medical home’s ongoing responsibility to develop/update/maintain patients’ care plans and to coordinate care with members of the care team.
* Schedule follow-up appointments with patients as indicated.

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