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COMMUNICATIVE ENGLISH FOR MEDICAL STUDENTS: IMPORTANCE, FEATURES, AND TEACHING METHODS

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Abstract: In the world of medicine, knowledge of English is becoming an integral part of professional growth. For medical students, communicative English is not only a means of communication, but also the key to effective acquisition of new knowledge, scientific research, and a successful career in the international medical environment. This article is devoted to the importance of learning communicative English for future doctors, as well as methods and approaches that can help medical students master the necessary skills.

Keywords: Medical, sources, information, discuss, research, patient, students, skills, vocabulary, terminology, methods.

The Importance of Communicative English in Medicine. Medicine, like many other scientific fields, is actively developing thanks to the international exchange of knowledge. All scientific content, including medical research, clinical protocols, treatment instructions, and innovative methods, are published in English. For a doctor, knowledge of English is critical for: 1. Reading medical sources. Modern medical journals, scientific articles, textbooks, and other resources are mainly written in English, and without a confident knowledge of the language, it is difficult to navigate the huge flow of information. 2. Participation in international conferences and seminars. Many scientific events are held in English, which gives doctors the opportunity to exchange experiences with colleagues from all over the world, discuss the latest achievements in medicine, and present the results of their own research. 3. Communication with patients and colleagues. In the context of globalization and patient migration, medical institutions often serve foreign citizens. The ability to communicate in English with patients and colleagues significantly improves the quality of diagnosis and treatment. 4. Professional growth and career. Doctors who speak English have more opportunities to work abroad, internships, receive international grants and participate in research projects.

Materials and methods: Technical and Scientific Language. Communicative English for medical students includes not only general conversational skills, but also knowledge of specific medical vocabulary, terminology and phrases. This may be the language of descriptions of diseases, drugs, treatment methods, surgeries and diagnostic procedures. Medical documentation. Students should be able to read and write various forms of medical documentation in English, such as case histories, test results, prescriptions and reports. Intercultural communication. It is important to take into account cultural differences when communicating with patients and colleagues from different countries. The ability to conduct a dialogue in an intercultural context, avoid misunderstandings and be empathetic is also an important part of medical English. Methods and approaches to teaching communicative English to medical students. 1. Using specialized textbooks and materials. Today, there are a large number of teaching aids aimed at mastering medical English. These are books on medical terminology, as well as teaching materials for developing communication skills with patients, colleagues and at conferences.

2. Role-playing and practical communication. One of the most effective teaching methods is simulating real situations. Students can practice their communication skills

with patients in English by playing out scenarios for various diseases, examinations or consultations. 3. Online courses and videos. Video tutorials, online courses, and medical webinars provide excellent opportunities to learn current medical terminology and best practices for communicating in the medical environment. 4. Listening to medical lectures in English. Students can listen to lectures by renowned world experts on medical topics in English. This helps develop listening skills for perceiving and understanding medical language. 5. Working with scientific articles and research. Reading medical articles in English helps not only to learn medical vocabulary, but also to learn how to analyze, critically evaluate, and interpret information. 6. Communicating with native speakers. To improve speaking skills, it is important to practice communicating with native English speakers. This can be done through language clubs, participating in international conferences, or communicating with colleagues from other countries.

Result and discussion: Communicative English is not just another subject that medical students must learn. It is an essential tool for a successful career and professional growth in the modern world of medicine. Training should include not only mastering medical vocabulary, but also developing intercultural communication skills and practical application of the language in real-life situations. Thus, students who successfully master communicative English will not only be able to improve the quality of their work, but also open up new opportunities in the international medical environment.

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