
Learning Objectives

MedBridge

Vision Loss and Older Adults

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Course Objectives:

- Review normal vision and normal age-related changes in vision
- Review age-related eye disorders and recognize the impact on function
- Identify first-line interventions for people presenting with low vision

Chapter 1: Normal Vision

In this chapter, participants will learn to identify the two key differences between sensory and motor components of vision, as well as understand the intersectionalities and differences between the optical, retinal and neural stages of vision. Emphasis will be placed on normal vision changes that are attributed to aging.

Chapter 2: Low Vision

To better understand low vision and its impacts, this chapter outlines three common age-related eye diseases and conditions, and identifies the impacts of such eye conditions on vision and overall function. With this knowledge, participants will be able to distinguish between normal and concerning vision changes, leading to earlier intervention and treatment.

Chapter 3: Low Vision

This chapter introduces professions within eye care, and challenges participants to determine when and how to make referrals for eye-related treatment. The course highlights two first-line interventions for low vision that are currently implemented.

Chapter 4: Q&A

Join Orli Weisser-Pike and Margie as they discuss the symptoms and impacts of glaucoma on function, and determine how to diagnose low vision.