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Preface

Collaboration is critical to the success of healthcare operations in an environment of limited resources and expectations of accountability. *Collaboration Across the Disciplines in Health Care* was written for practicing healthcare professionals, students, and educators, and was intended by the editors to be a user-friendly resource on effective and successful collaboration. Each chapter in the book can be read as a stand-alone article that will offer insights from the perspective of a particular discipline or aspect of the collaborative process.

If a reader’s time is limited, reviewing just a few chapters will provide advice and tools that can be put to immediate use. Reviewing the chapters in one’s own discipline may not only provide “best practice” interdisciplinary collaborative tips but also a greater understanding of one’s own field to enhance “intrafield” collaborations. Reading the entire text furnishes a comprehensive overview of the healthcare industry that is as practical as it is unique. The value of understanding the driving and restraining forces at play in collaboration across the disciplines in health care is likely to contribute to a reader’s success in developing or facilitating collaborative processes.

The editors have invited esteemed authors who have trained and worked in different professional disciplines in health care to share their expertise and experience, and their successes and challenges in promoting effective collaboration and achievement of goals and outcomes. To give readers a sense of each author’s unique perspective on collaboration in health care, a short author biography and preview for each chapter is presented here.
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Chapter 1 Preview

Chapter 1 provides an overview of the critical nature of collaboration in health services and its potential impact on patient care. By following a breast cancer patient through the systems of health care on her path to healing, Dr. Paul Torrens introduces readers to the complexities of the industry and the multiple partners in healthcare teams. In their careers, industry professionals will find themselves working in a variety of collaborative relationships. An individual's role in a team will (or should) adapt to the competencies and personalities of other team members as well as to the mission of the team. The vital roles of clinical decision maker, technical expert, support service provider, coordination point, resource manager, and information coordinator are clarified. The chapter concludes by identifying the characteristics of effective healthcare teams and how to maximize team success.

CHAPTER 2

THE HEALTHCARE INTERDISCIPLINARY CONTEXT: A FOCUS ON THE “MICROSYSTEM” CONCEPT

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Chapter 2 Preview

In this chapter, Dr. Johnson introduces the concept of “clinical microsystems” in health care by describing the theoretical basis and practical applications of this form of systems modeling. Presented also are research-based characteristics of high-performing microsystems and methods for assessment. Dr. Johnson explores how the microsystem perspective links to patient safety and improved quality of care. Furthermore, implications for leadership are discussed.

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Chapter 3 Preview

In Chapter 3, Dr. Garman describes the unique paths by which physicians, nurses, and healthcare administrators travel in their professional development towards leadership roles. He identifies the processes through which members of each discipline develop a worldview based on their professional training and experience, and how these unique perspectives can help or hinder interdisciplinary practice. The concept of competencies and the value
and use of competency models for interdisciplinary understanding are introduced, and one model, the Health Administrative Leadership Model, is described in-depth. Dr. Garman demonstrates the link between competency models and performance improvement. Specific developmental activities that have been shown to build interdisciplinary collaborative competencies are presented.

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Chapter 4 Preview

In Chapter 4, Drs. Chan and Rubino present research-based evidence that supports the benefits of organization-wide collaboration on improving performance and quality. The differences between small and large organizational efforts, such as driving forces, stakeholders, outcome visibility, etc. are delineated. Elements required to foster a culture of interdisciplinary collaboration on an enterprise-wide level, and attributes of an effective interdisciplinary team are discussed. Drs. Rubino and Chan provide foundational information from an administrative leadership perspective and, through case examples, present how these principles have been successfully applied in healthcare organizations.

CHAPTER 5 DOCTORS ARE FROM MARS, PATIENTS ARE FROM VENUS

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Chapter 5 Preview

Dr. Rackner is a board certified surgeon who makes the case that patients need to be included in the collaboration process. She first analyzes the doctor–patient relationship and demonstrates the even though each has different needs, expectations, and roles, they both need to work towards a common vision if proper medical care is to be given. Any imbalance of power between doctors and patients would reduce the effectiveness and the outcome of any collaborative interactions and therefore a common vision of cure needs to be realized. One of the ways this is being accomplished is the development of a “medical home” that establishes and institutionalizes the patient–doctor partnership, and encourages doctors to partner with patients and guide them as they seek care. Dr. Rackner ends with some very practical advice for both patients and doctors as each group strives to enhance their collaboration.

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Chapter 6 Preview

In Chapter 6, Dr. Spector makes an astute distinction between “interprofessional” and “interdisciplinary” collaboration, referring to the former term as more predominant in the field of nursing. After a brief historical overview of “collaboration,” Dr. Spector defines interprofessional collaboration as, “a complex process through which relationships are developed among healthcare professionals so that they effectively interact and work together for the mutual goal of safe and quality patient care.” Research is presented which indicates interprofessional collaboration leads to improved patient outcomes. Although much evidence exists and the need for collaboration is clearly reflected by the requirements of accrediting agencies, a gap in educational programs is identified. The author reveals that opportunities to practice and develop interprofessional collaborative skills are rare or missing in training programs for both faculty and students. Dr. Spector provides research and examples of the barriers that hinder collaboration in relationships between nurses and physicians, and offers principles that facilitate interprofessional collaboration and reviews guidelines for developing collaborative learning skills based on an attentive literature review and her extensive professional experience. Two cases are presented with discussion questions, one in which collaboration was lacking, and the second in which collaborative principles were followed and the team goals were achieved.

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Chapter 7 Preview

Dr. Spurlock addresses the physician's perspective on collaboration, presenting doctors as unique players in the healthcare system and why as a group their full engagement on teams is sometimes difficult. The author describes different factors, such as historical, cultural, and legal considerations, which challenge the ability of individual physicians to be engaged in teams. He also describes doctors' reluctance or acceptance of engagement through a description of diffusion theory. Physician attitudes toward teamwork and how to promote MD acceptance of collaborative efforts are also presented. The value of having physician champions and proper training and coaching for MD team members is discussed, and a model from the Institute for Healthcare Improvement is provided that can foster improved team participation by this important, and sometimes challenging, subgroup.

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Chapter 8 Preview

Co-authors Novosel and Sorensen discuss management’s and administration’s focus on collaborative models, and demonstrate that interdisciplinary collaboration and collective partnerships can provide seamless coordination of patient care and result in improved community health outcomes. The importance and benefits of developing collaborative work teams are
addressed along with techniques for the promotion of collaboration by healthcare leaders such as assessing readiness to collaborate and strategies for implementation of team projects.

To provide a balanced picture, the authors also describe the challenges of managing a collaborative model. Two collaborative models cited as best practices are reviewed and two case studies from a nonprofit coalition/consortium setting are presented.

CHAPTER 9 COMPLEMENTARY, ALTERNATIVE AND INTEGRATIVE HEALTHCARE PERSPECTIVES

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Chapter 9 Preview

This chapter is a collaborative effort itself in that it was written by a committee. The Executive Committee of the Academic Consortium for Complementary and Alternative Care educates the reader about the licensed healing disciplines involved in what is commonly referred to as “complementary and alternative medicine (CAM).” These disciplines include Oriental medicine, chiropractic, naturopathic medicine, direct-entry (homebirth) midwifery, and massage therapy. Collaborative relationships between CAM associations and practitioners and conventional academic medicine are explored. Using the activities of the Consortium as a case example, the authors take us on a journey that reveals the driving forces and challenges involved in the integration of these therapies with traditional provider networks. Recommendations for interdisciplinary collaboration and tools, topics, and models for educators are provided.

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Chapter 10 Preview

Drs. Reynolds, Fisher, and Napper provide their insight into collaboration in the behavioral health field. Behavioral health as a profession is described including the stakeholders involved, the various treatment approaches, and what are considered best practices. The authors describe how prevalent mental diseases are, and which populations are especially vulnerable. Unfortunately, behavioral health has often been sidelined and unintegrated with physical health disciplines. This separation continues with differential funding such as carve-outs in managed care plans and lack of coverage parity. Partially and fully integrated models of primary care and behavioral health care are presented and their benefits are discussed. The authors discuss why the collaboration between primary care and behavioral health provides is not always ideal and how collaboration can be enhanced in both the public and private sectors. They conclude with hope for expanded future
collaborations between behavioral and physical health in the current environment with its emphasis on outcomes assessments.

CHAPTER 11 ANCILLARY SERVICES: HEALTH PROFESSIONS EDUCATION, NUTRITION, AND DIETETICS

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Chapter 11 Preview

Dr. Lisagor has written a chapter using nutrition and dietetics as an example of an ancillary service that collaborates with other services in the healthcare settings for the benefit of clients. She defines ancillary service as any service related to patient care which is provided in conjunction with hospital or other medical care. She provides evidence as to how registered dietitian participation on a healthcare team can produce positive outcomes. Dr. Lisagor focuses on the educational approach to training the ancillary healthcare professional and how this learning model will improve the quality and delivery of health care. Models of leadership and teamwork behavior are described which support the interrelationship between the patient and the dietetic professional in the healthcare environment. The American Dietetic Association and the Commission on Accreditation
for Dietetics Education criteria are presented as they relate to promoting collaboration in the field.

As a case study, a Peer Nutrition Counseling internship at CSUN is described as an example of a successful gateway to prepare nutrition and dietetics students to be effective, integrated members of healthcare teams.

CHAPTER 12 MEDICINE AND THE LAW: THE LEGAL PERSPECTIVE

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Chapter 12 Preview

Two attorneys, Professor Jackson and Dr. Goldenring, give a legal perspective of collaboration. The authors make the case for a continuous dialogue that encompasses legal and ethical matters must occur at all levels beginning at the legislative process and continuing through the provision of services by the provider. Using a different format than the other chapters’ contributors, Professor Jackson and Dr. Goldenring provide an annotated outline with discussion of key medico-legal issues in today’s healthcare field.

CHAPTER 13 COLLABORATION IN AMBULATORY CARE: INTEGRATING THE PRACTITIONERS OF MEDICINE IN THE PRACTICE OF MEDICINE

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Chapter 13 Preview

This chapter describes collaboration efforts in an ambulatory care center. The physician authors, Drs. Sarka and Chassiakos, have served as administrators at a variety of ambulatory centers and present factors which can promote collaboration. Physicians provide a particular challenge in collaborative efforts yet their involvement is crucial for success. Background information on how doctors are educated is described to provide a better understanding of their behavior in the ambulatory center. Ambulatory care administrators must integrate physicians into interdisciplinary teams. One method to promote success is to incorporate the concept of “medical homes.” The other clinical as well as nonclinical colleagues in the ambulatory setting are also discussed in the team setting. The transition of quality improvement efforts to a collaborative process is described, as well as the important role informatics play in today’s ambulatory care center.

The Klotz Student Health Center at a large, diverse, urban West Coast university is presented as a case study of an ambulatory care facility which experienced a culture change and now embraces collaborative partnerships to provide interdisciplinary patient-centered care.
Chapter 14 Preview

Marketing and business development are two critical functions for healthcare organizations. Dr. Thompson makes the case that marketing and business development's success in a healthcare organization will depend on the interactions and collaboration of multiple staff members (clinical and nonclinical). Dr. Thompson provides a review of marketing terminology and principles, and emphasizes the need to understand marketing as a collaborative enterprise and acknowledge the importance and requirements of task interdependency. Specific competencies needed by healthcare organization staff to enhance collaboration involved in marketing and business activities are also described. A literature review helps to build a conceptual model that provides a framework for describing and understanding marketing and business development as collaborative activities within and across healthcare organizations. This model can be a useful tool for assessment purposes. Examples of collaborative activities in marketing and business development are given which provide the reader with practical applications of this model.
CHAPTER 15 THE FOREST AND THE TREES: AN ORGANIZATIONAL PSYCHOLOGIST’S PERSPECTIVE ON COLLABORATION IN HEALTH CARE

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Chapter 15 Preview

Dr. Freshman offers an organizational psychologist’s approach to interdisciplinary collaboration in health care. Exploring the topic from this viewpoint means focusing on the thinking and feeling processes that are involved in daily operations, while understanding that behavior occurs in a system. To begin, Dr. Freshman discusses the strong push across the healthcare industry to develop collaborative cultures and increase collaborative behavior. A system stakeholder model is presented to keep track of the complexities involved. Multiple sources of limitations to collaboration are indentified and ways to increase collaboration are introduced. Dr. Freshman stresses the importance of acknowledging individuals within their systemic environment and suggests that healthcare organizations tend to their trees in order to have a healthy forest.
CASE STUDIES

Case 1: Sandhills Health Information Network

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Case 2: Orange County Health Care Needs Assessment

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