

2020 Edward-Elmhurst CME Enduring WebEx

Coping In Crisis During Covid-19

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In January 2020 the World Health Organization (WHO) declared the outbreak of a new coronavirus disease, COVID-19, to be a Public Health Emergency of International Concern. They stated that there is a high risk of this disease spreading to other countries around the world. In March 2020, the World Health Organization made the assessment that COVID-19 can be characterized as a pandemic. This time of crisis is generating stress throughout the population, but especially among the front line healthcare providers. This activity was designed to assist Edward-Elmhurst Health's providers in processing the psychology of pandemics and de-stigmatizing the psychological symptoms affecting healthcare workers; emphasizing coping skills necessary and encouraging staff to reach out for support; while also reviewing the risks for transmission and mortality and adequate PPE requirements for healthcare workers.

Program Objectives: At the conclusion of this enduring activity, participants should be able to:

- 1. Explain the psychology of pandemics.
- 2. Discuss the risk of Covid-19 transmission and mortality for healthcare providers.
- 3. Review adequate personal protective equipment (PPE).
- 4. Destigmatize the psychological symptoms affecting healthcare providers (ie anxiety, depressed mood, insomnia).
- 5. Apply coping skills such as deep breathing, progressive muscle relaxation, guided imagery, mindfulness meditation and cognitive behavioral therapy.
- 6. Recommend healthcare providers reach out for help through identified support programs.

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