



## Did you know?

### Fascinating Facts and Interesting Information about Cultural Diversity

Listed below are some scenarios forwarded to us from our clinicians:

#### Scenario # 1

What are some cultural considerations to be aware of when working with Arab-American men and women in regards to Occupational Therapy treatment i.e. ADLs (self-care) & meal preparation?

*“I went to **Diversity Web site** > **Cultural Groups** and used the **RNotes Grid** for some key characteristics. I also used the **Provider’s Guide to Quality and Culture** under Arab-American Tab.”*

*Vincent M. Summers, Rehabilitation Srvcs I, Occupational Therapy*

#### Scenario # 2

A sixty five year old male is admitted with CVA and the patient is unable to provide food preferences. A review of his medical chart reflects that he follows Hindu food practices.

*“Because the patient was unable to provide a nutrition history and family was not available, accessing the cultural diversity website provided the answers. Clicking on the **Cultural Diversity** icon on the Marianjoy Intranet (MAGNET) and typing Hindu in the Search Box on the upper right retrieved 4 documents. Clicking on the first link > South Asians/Hindus > **Provider’s Guide to Quality and Culture** and other resources gave the answer.”*

*“Typing key words in the search box on the upper right corner is an easy way to retrieve documents related to the topic. **Cultural Groups** section provides examples of foods consumed, illustrates cooking of foods, and explains spices to use and common religious practices. This information is then relayed to dietary staff and nursing staff so patient can receive acceptable foods”.*

*Angela Daniels, Dietary*

#### Scenario # 3

Request for the library: I am looking for a communication guide and need quick information about Albanian, Chinese, and Vietnamese culture. Where will I find it?

*Visit our **Cultural Diversity** section. **Culture Clues**<sup>™</sup> are tip sheets for clinicians, designed to increase awareness about concepts and preferences of patients from the diverse cultures.*

We look forward to seeing you at the exciting in-service on “Increasing Diversity Knowledge and Cultural Perspectives” Thursday, April 5, 2012 in the Hospital Board Room; light refreshments will be provided.

**Cultural Diversity Web Site**