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Strengthening Your Emotional Intelligence (EI)

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Applying best practice solutions and achieving results will vary in each hospital/facility situation.



Objectives



Define and explain emotional intelligence.



Identify the connections between interpersonal skills, self-awareness, social awareness, and social skills.



Recognize the value of emotional intelligence



Review resources to develop, enhance, and refine emotional intelligence skills



Emotional Intelligence Pulse Check



Do you check in with yourself regarding how you are feeling?

How do you feel at this moment?

Do you have a process to calm yourself down when you get angry, frustrated, or stressed?

When you see others in distress, do you typically intervene?

If so, what steps do you take to help?

How are your actions received by others?



Key Terms

Emotional Intelligence (EI)

Empathy

"Soft" Skills



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What is Emotional Intelligence?

"It is the ability to recognize, understand, and respond to emotions in ourselves and others."

-Geraldine E. Hynes, Project Communication from Start to Finish

Personal Competence

Social Competence

Self-Awareness Self-Management

Social Awareness Relationship Management



Why Is EI Important?

- Regulate one's emotions and understand the emotions of others
- Assists with:
 - building relationships
 - reducing team stress
 - defusing conflict
 - improving job satisfaction
- Effects on career
- Technical skills are not the only skills required by employers
- Employer prefer emotional competences

Dr. Daniel Goleman Introduces Emotional Intelligence https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Y7m9eNoB3NU





Facilitators of EI

- Motivation
- Empathy
- Social skills









Examples of Emotional Intelligence

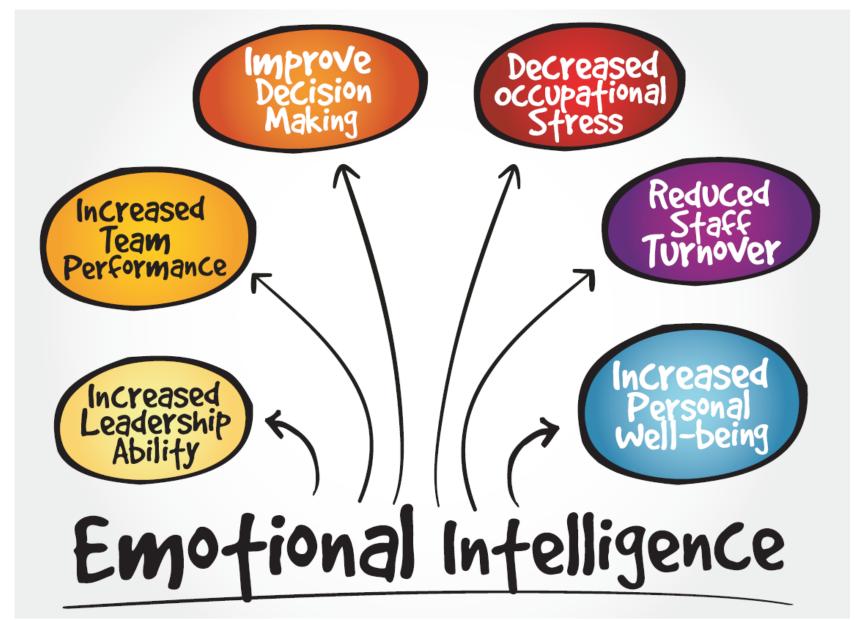


- Lack empathy
- Inability to understand feelings of another
- Struggle managing own emotions
- May perceive emotion not present
- Defensiveness



- Empathetic to others
- Recognizes and manages influence of own feelings
- Ability to remain relatively calm/as emotional as the situation calls for
- Refrains from displaying negative mannerisms
- Listens to understand







Impact of EI on Health Information Professionals

Communication

Understand and interact with internal and external stakeholders without emotional charge

Conflict Resolution

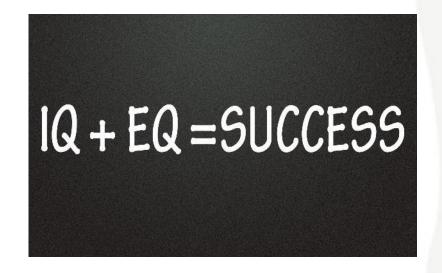
Recognize when perceived feelings hinder communication or collaboration and address them

Team Elevation

Build a team of emotionally intelligent staff

Career Success

Social and emotional competence is foundational for professional success





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EI Success and the HI Professional?













SOCIAL SKILL

EMPATHY

SELF-AWARENESS















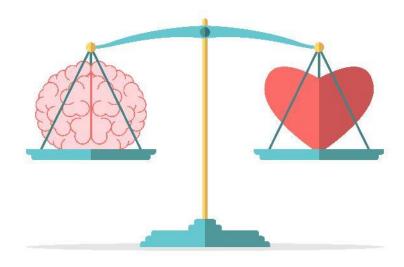
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Goals for EI & Health Information Professionals

- Empathic to those we encounter
- Understanding those we work with
- Improves work performance





Practicing EI: Leaders & Employees

- Communicate
- Listen
- Trust



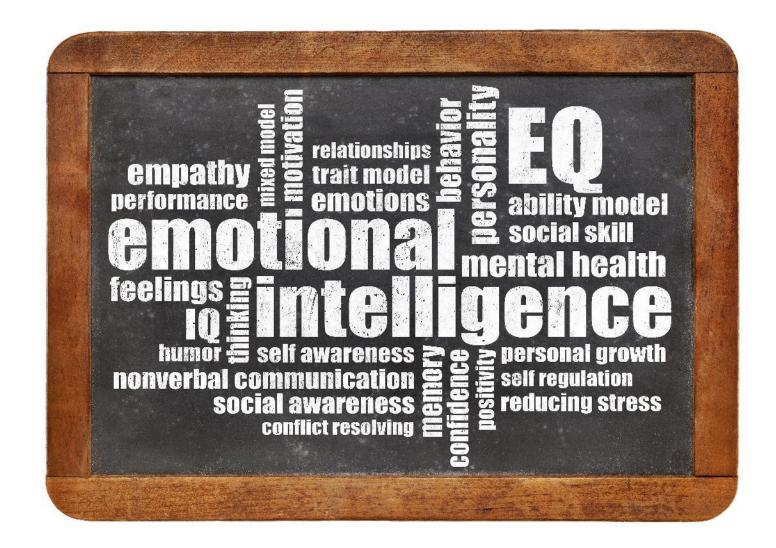
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- Know yourself
- Become socially aware
- Communicate
- Treat people fairly
- Manners





Summary





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