

Immigrants

The resident will be able to:

1. List some of the barriers (language, financial, cultural) that immigrants may have to seeking medical attention and, where possible, adapt their approach accordingly.
2. Demonstrate knowledge and sensitivity towards the cultural background/beliefs of the patient (e.g. females preferring to be examined by female physicians, histories given by husbands only etc.)
3. Identify how the role of the patient's culture may influence their illness experience.
4. Appropriately incorporate in the differential diagnosis infectious diseases that may be endemic to the patient's country of origin.
5. Screen for some possible medical/social complications in new immigrants including depression, social isolation, inadequate vaccination, and history of abuse or torture, PTSD.

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