Communication is essential for any health care organization. From patient interactions to working with fellow team members, medical professionals must be able to communicate clearly and accurately in order to provide the best possible care for their patients.

The SDSU Online Certificate in Health Communication is designed to help health care professionals improve their communication skills across health care contexts, while also providing an opportunity to earn certified Continuing Medical Education (CME) credits.

This program is a joint providership of SDSU and Sharp HealthCare. Sharp HealthCare is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

Program Overview
- **Cost:** $1,050
- **Min. Completion Time:** 3 Months
- **Format:** Online
- **Total CME Credits:** 24

Create better outcomes for your patients, reduce hospital re-admissions, and create a more cohesive team within your healthcare facility. Earn your Certificate in Health Communication from San Diego State University.

The program consists of 3 four-week online courses:

**Foundations of Health Communication**
Students will learn how to receive and convey health information through positive interactions. They will learn how to communicate with patients from diverse backgrounds and apply evidence-based best practices for increasing health literacy among patients.

**CME Credits:** 8
**Dates:** April 6–May 1 | **Cost:** $350

**Patient-Provider Interaction**
Students will learn how to implement positive communication strategies in a variety of clinical and medical settings, encourage patient compliance through communication, and influence patient satisfaction.

**CME Credits:** 8
**Dates:** May 4–29 | **Cost:** $350

**Interprofessional Communication**
Students will learn how to communicate within their medical team using effective communication strategies. The coursework focuses on managing conflict in work teams and promoting group cohesion.

**CME Credits:** 8
**Dates:** June 6–26 | **Cost:** $350

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