



IMPROVING HEALTH LITERACY AND DIABETES OUTCOMES IN OLDER PERSONS

Continuing education program for health professionals

**Montana Geriatric Education Center
7th Annual Conference
October 13, 2009**

Target Audience:

- Dieticians
- Nurses and APRNs
- Nursing Home Administrators
- Occupational Therapists
- Pharmacists
- Physician Assistants
- Physicians
- Physical Therapists
- Social Workers
- And other health professionals.

Locations: Presenters in Billings and Missoula, and broadcast to videoconference sites throughout Montana:

Ashland	Baker	Big Timber
Bozeman	Butte	Choteau
Culbertson	Cut Bank	Dillon
Great Falls	Hardin	Harlowton
Havre	Helena	Kalispell
Lewistown	Livingston	Malta
Miles City	Poplar	Shelby
Wolf Point		

and more as requested

Time

7:30 to 8:00 a.m. - Registration
8:00 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. - Conference

Cost

\$75 – Billings with CE and lunch/break
\$65 – Missoula with CE and break
\$55 - Video conference sites with CE

Register Now

Northwest Research & Education Institute

(406) 237-5300 and (800) 308-2194

Registration at <http://www.nwrei.org/>

Note: Brochure with registration form will be mailed in late August. When registering for video conference locations, please indicate where you want to attend. Sites are easily arranged.



Christopher Sorli, MD: Department of Endocrinology, Billings Clinic (presenting from Billings)

Dr. Sorli is board certified in endocrinology. He obtained his medical degree from the University of Massachusetts Medical School, Worcester. Both his internship and residency were at Harvard Medical School-Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Boston. His fellowship in endocrinology was completed at the University of Minnesota Medical School, Minneapolis. He currently practices at Billings Clinic.

Betty Page Brackenridge, MS, RD, CDE: Health Education Consultant & Director, Professional Training, Diabetes Management & Training Centers, Inc., Phoenix (presenting from Billings)

Ms. Brackenridge has been a speaker and writer for over 25 years. She is a Past-President of the American Association of Diabetes Educators and served on the US Centers for Disease Control's Technical Advisory Committee on Diabetes. She designs outcomes-oriented diabetes programs, materials and services for institutional clients and third party payers, and trains health professionals in current strategies of diabetes management.



Dean Schillinger, MD: Professor of Medicine, UCSF, San Francisco (presenting from Missoula)

Dr. Schillinger is Director of the UCSF Center for Vulnerable Populations. He is a practicing primary care physician at San Francisco General Hospital (SFGH) and teaches in the primary care residency program. He conducts research as a member of the UCSF Primary Care Research Center. His current work has focused on literacy, health communication, and chronic disease management. He has carried out a number of studies exploring the impact of limited health literacy on the care of patients with diabetes and heart disease, and was honored with the 2003 Institute for Healthcare Advancement Research Award for this work.

Kelly Acton, MD, MPH, FACP: Director, Division of Diabetes Treatment & Prevention, Indian Health Service, Albuquerque (presenting from Missoula)

American Indians and Alaska Natives suffer disproportionately from the highest rates of diabetes in the United States. The division she heads is responsible for developing, documenting, and sustaining clinical and public health efforts to treat and prevent diabetes in these two patient groups.

