Geriatric Mental Health Among African Americans

Description:
This course will present core concepts of geriatric mental health but will do so with an emphasis on older adults of African-American and Caribbean-American background. There will be some discussion of approaches to mental illness, particularly anxiety disorders, depression, and psychotic disorders. There will be some exploration of cognitive disorders and substance use disorders as well. Special attention will be paid to elder abuse and support for caregivers.

Target Audience: Community-Based Organizations and ACBH contracted Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Provider staff.

Measurable Learning Objectives:
- Describe five core concepts of psychopharmacology for elders
- List five signs of cognitive impairment
- Identify three assessment tools that can help clinicians assess mental health conditions
- Describe four ways to address elder abuse
- Identify four factors that can impact outcomes of depression in Black elders

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