

Patient Introductions

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WHAT'S COVERED

In this lesson, you will learn how to introduce yourself to patients before you discuss their medical concerns. Specifically, this lesson will cover:

1. Servicios de Interpretación (Interpretation Services)
2. Introducciones (Introductions)

1. Servicios de Interpretación (Interpretation Services)

Before you begin a conversation with a patient, you may have to determine whether interpretation services will be needed. The following questions can help you do so.

English	Spanish	Pronunciation
Do you need to speak to a Spanish-speaking nurse?	¿Necesita hablar con un(a) enfermero(a) que hable español?	nay-say- see -tah ah- blahr cone oon (ah) ain-fair- may -roh (ah) kay ah -blay ace-pan- yole
Would you like an interpreter?	¿Necesita un intérprete?	nay-say- see -tah oon een- tair -pray-tay
Please hold for assistance.	Por favor, espere por la ayuda.	pour fah- bore ace- pay -ray pour lah ah- you -day
Can you read this information?	¿Puede leer esta información?	p'way -day lay- air ace -tah een-for-mah-see- own
What is the name and number of a primary contact person who speaks and understands English?	¿Cuál es el nombre y el número de teléfono de un contacto primario que habla y comprende el inglés?	k'wall ace ale noam -bray ee ale noo -may-row day tay- lay -fo-no day oon cone- tahk -toe pree- mah -ree-oh kay ah -blah ee comb- prain -day ale een- glace

2. Introducciones (Introductions)

You will also want to learn some basic questions and statements that will help you introduce yourself to the patient in Spanish.

English	Spanish	Pronunciation

I will be with you this shift (until morning, until evening).	Voy a estar con usted este turno (hasta la mañana, hasta la noche).	boy ah ace- tar cone oo- staid ace-tay tour-no (ah-stah lah mahn-yah-nah, ah-stah lah no-chay)
Where is your family?	¿Dónde está su familia?	doan-day ay-stah sue fah- me-lee-ah
They are in the waiting room.	Están en la sala de espera.	<i>This is a patient response.</i>
They went to get something to eat.	Fueron a buscar algo de comer.	<i>This is a patient response.</i>
They will come back tomorrow.	Van a regresar mañana.	<i>This is a patient response.</i>
They went home.	Se fueron a la casa.	<i>This is a patient response.</i>
I don't know.	No sé.	<i>This is a patient response.</i>
They have left for the day.	Se fueron por el día.	<i>This is a patient response.</i>
My name is ____ and I will be your nurse.	Me llamo ____ y voy a ser su enfermero(a).	may yah-mo ____ ee boy ah sair sue ain-fair- may-roh (ah)
My name is ____ and I will be your nurse practitioner.	Me llamo ____ y voy a ser su enfermero(a) certificado(a) / enfermero(a) especializado(a) .	may yah-mo ee boy ah sair sue ain-fair- may-roh(ah) sair-tee-fee- kah-doe(dah) / ain-fair- may-roh(ah) ace-pay-see-all-ee- sah-doe(dah)
Do you have an appointment?	¿Tiene una cita?	tee- ay-nay oo-nah see-tah
Did you make an appointment?	¿Hizo una cita?	ee-so oo-nah see-tah
Do you need to make an appointment?	¿Necesita hacer una cita?	nay-say- see-tah ah-sair oo-nah see-tah
You need to make an appointment.	Necesita hacer una cita.	nay-say- see-tah ah-sair oo-nah see-tah
You need to make an appointment online.	Necesita hacer una cita en línea.	nay-say- see-tah ah-sair oo-nah see-tah ain lee-nay-ah
You need to call to make an appointment.	Necesita llamar para hacer una cita.	nay-say- see-tah yah-mar pa-rah ah-sair oo-nah see-tah
How are you doing this morning / evening?	¿Cómo se siente esta mañana / noche?	koh-moh say see-ain-tay ace-tah mahn-yah-nah / no-chay
I didn't sleep well.	No dormí muy bien.	<i>This is a patient response.</i>
I am doing fine.	Estoy bien.	<i>This is a patient response.</i>
I am thirsty.	Tengo sed.	<i>This is a patient response.</i>
I am hungry.	Tengo hambre.	<i>This is a patient response.</i>
I want to go home.	Quiero irme a la casa.	<i>This is a patient response.</i>
Come with me.	Venga conmigo.	bane-gah cone-me-go



SUMMARY

In this lesson, you learned how to find out if you will need **interpretation services** to speak with patients, as well as how to give a proper **introduction** so that patients understand your role and can feel more comfortable speaking with you about their health concerns.

¡Buena suerte!

Support

If you are struggling with a concept or terminology in the course, you may contact **SpanishforNursesSupport@capella.edu** for assistance.

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