Health is a complex mix of behaviors, social relationships, and political and material environments. Researchers don’t always know how drugs/interventions biochemically work, but we can determine if they are effective and safe.

The Federal Drug Administration (FDA) now considers patients' experiences important in developing drugs and considers patient experiences in making decisions on approving drugs/interventions.

- Developing research questions and designing mixed methods research studies.
- Seek funding through grant writing and proposals to funding organizations.
- Talking with participants to understand what they are experiencing.
- Analyzing qualitative and quantitative data.
- Writing reports to stakeholders.
- Communicating with stakeholders.
- Developing clinical tools to increase the accessibility of research studies.

**KEY SKILLS**

- Listening
- Observing
- Problem-Solving & Analysis
- Clear Writing
- Empathy
- Clear Communication
- Planning & Organization
- Collaboration

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