ASPEN Malnutrition Awareness Week™ 2018
September 24 – 28

Malnutrition Awareness Week is a multi-organizational, multi-pronged campaign which strives to:

- Educate healthcare professionals to identify malnutrition and intervene earlier
- Educate consumers/patients to discuss their nutrition status with their healthcare professionals
- Increase awareness of the positive impact nutrition has on patient outcomes

Every 60 seconds, 10 hospitalized patients go undiagnosed with malnutrition.
Malnutrition has a negative impact on patient outcomes—higher infection rates, poor wound healing, longer lengths of stay, higher frequency of readmission, and increased costs.

It’s a week filled with valuable educational webinars, support materials (in English & Spanish), and virtual chats with experts. Please visit nutritioncare.org/maw for more information.

History of ASPEN’s Malnutrition Awareness Week

ASPEN started Malnutrition Awareness Week in 2012 to raise awareness of malnutrition and its impact on patient outcomes. The first Malnutrition Awareness Week had two webinars and a podcast. In 2014, ASPEN received a Certificate of Special Recognition from US Senator Benjamin Cardin of Maryland for Malnutrition Awareness Week. In 2015, this award winning program became a part of the National Health Observances Calendar. Today it is a campaign supported by over 43 organizations who share the educational opportunities and messages with over 1 million healthcare professionals, patients, and caregivers. In 2017, ASPEN partnered with the National Council on Aging for a very active Twitter town hall and Kaiser Permanente’s, Center for Total Health showcased Malnutrition Awareness Week in their bus shelter display.

Please join us for Malnutrition Awareness Week 2018 and help increase awareness of the positive impact nutrition has on patient outcomes.

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Schedule of Events

Monday, September 24
4:00 – 5:00 PM ET
Webinar: Diagnosing Malnutrition in the Obese Patient: A General Approach
CE available

Tuesday, September 25
4:00 – 5:00 PM ET
Webinar: Indicators of Malnutrition in the Neonate and Preterm Infant
CE available

Wednesday, September 26
4:00 – 5:00 PM ET
Webinar: Community Nutrition Resources: What is Available for the Discharged Patient?
CE available

Thursday, September 27
4:00 – 5:00 PM ET
Webinar: Adult and Pediatric Nutrition Screening Systematic Review: Updates from the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics
CE available

Friday, September 28
12:00 – 1:00 PM ET
Lunch with the Experts: Legislation for Malnutrition Prevention
Non-CE opportunity

Please note: This schedule of events is tentative and subject to change.