

Health Literacy Interventions: Challenges from the Field

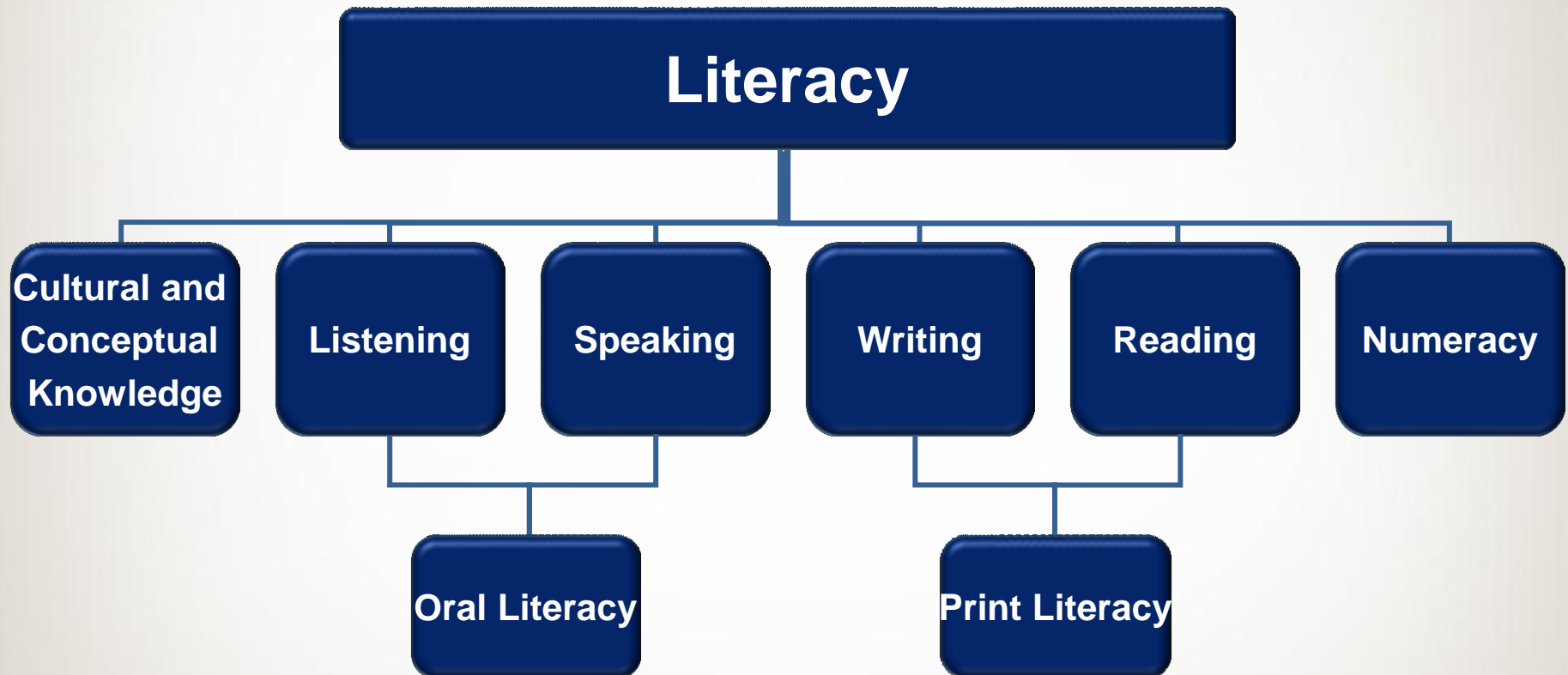
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Components of Literacy



Interventions

- Attempt to improve literacy skills of patients or family members
 - Participation in adult basic education
 - Skills training
- Provide accommodations
 - Train providers, lay persons or others in improved communication skills
 - Develop literacy sensitive toolkits
 - Develop informatics approaches to improve health communication and self-care support

Challenges

- Study Design
- IRB approval
- Recruitment of low literacy participants
- Design of interventions that are literacy sensitive
- Intervention fidelity
- Measurement in patients with low literacy
- Analysis of findings
- Dissemination, implementation and scalability of results

Speakers

- Urmimala Sarkar MD MPH
 - IRB and recruitment issues
- H. Shonna Yin MD MS
 - Design of intervention materials and fidelity
- Anjali Pandit, MPH, MS
 - Implementation in real world settings
- Sunil Kripalani MD MSc
 - Analytic Challenges

Format

- 15 minute presentation per speaker
- Content focused questions as needed after each speaker
- 20 minute general discussion at the end