Perspective \( (n) \)

per·spect·tive

: the set of filters through which we are taught to live our lives, helping us interpret visual, auditory, tactile, olfactory or plain old “gut feelings”
Inputs are like a million-piece puzzle
Perspective helps us determine what we think we know about the pieces.
What we don’t know we often assume
TRUTH

vs.

FACT
Black puzzle or white puzzle?
Count the number of F’s on the next slide
“Finished files are the result of years of scientific study combined with the experience of years.”
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A mind of its own
Are A and B different colors?
What are you really thinking?
What we perceive, we often believe..
Conscious perception of the world is a filtered and muted presentation of the real deal.
Same newspaper, 2 pages apart. Black kid who kicks police officer is a “thug.” White kid on trial for murder is a “teen.” #America #WordsMatter #Psychology
X Jones is a 47 yo African American female with Crohn’s Disease, DM, HTN who presented to ER

Mr. Y is a 51 yo white gentleman with no past medical history preceding his 3 weeks of worsening dyspnea

Ms. A is a 82 yo elderly Caucasian lady with h/o Alzheimer’s dementia, pseudogout, hearing loss

The patient is a 24 yo African American male with h/o sickle cell disease who presented to ED with
Implicit Bias
If we only see through the lens of our perspective:
As care givers, we....
Can miss the connectedness of symptoms
Can miss the contribution of social determinants
Can ignore the importance of resiliency and protective factors
Can miss the big picture..
i.e
Can ultimately miss the diagnosis
• Connectedness of symptoms
• Connectedness of symptoms
• Contribution of social determinants
• Connectedness of symptoms
• Contribution of social determinants
• Importance of resiliency and protective factors
• Connectedness of symptoms
• Contribution of social determinants
• Importance of resiliency and protective factors
• Diagnosis
What will you see when you meet your next patient?
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What will you know, and what will you believe about him/her?
What will you see when you meet your next patient?

What will you know and what will you believe about him/her?

How will your perceptions influence your interaction
What will you see when you meet your next patient?

What will you know and what will you believe about him/or?

How will your perceptions influence your interaction?

How will her perception influence her interaction?
What will you see when you meet your next patient?

What will you know and what will you believe about him/her?

How will your perspectives influence the interaction?

How will his/her perspectives influence the interaction?

How will you find the sweet spot of understanding O.P.P.?
Key points to take with you....
Acknowledge that bias is in our bones, and influences our behaviors.
Inputs are like a million-piece puzzle. Look for the good in everything first.
WORDS

HAVE

POWER