



## Artificial intelligence aids in the improvement of AAR teaching methods in rehabilitation

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### Abstract

With the continuous advancement of artificial intelligence technology, rehabilitation is exploring utilizing AI to improve the After Action Review (AAR) teaching method in rehabilitation education. This study aims to highlight the potential and significance of AI in enhancing the AAR teaching method for rehabilitation professionals. AI strongly supports improving AAR teaching methods through personalized feedback, real-time data analysis, natural language processing, virtual assistants, and big data analytics. These technologies not only enhance the efficiency and effectiveness of AAR but also offer students and teachers a new learning and teaching experience. By fully utilizing AI technology, rehabilitation is expected to advance towards a more intelligent, personalized, and efficient AAR teaching method, bringing tremendous success to learning and practice in rehabilitation.

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### Introduction

The rapid development of artificial intelligence (AI) technology is reshaping educational and practical approaches across various fields. As a field that closely focuses on individual needs and promotes physical and mental health, rehabilitation must explore leveraging AI's innovative capabilities to enhance the efficiency and quality of its Action Review (AAR) teaching methods. As a reflective learning method, AAR aims to internalize learned knowledge and improve practical skills through case analysis and simulation training. However, traditional AAR teaching has limitations, such as a lack of personalized guidance and insufficient real-time feedback. By integrating AI technology, AAR teaching is poised to achieve comprehensive optimization and innovation, thereby injecting new momentum into the future development of the rehabilitation field.

### AAR and Its Role and Significance in Teaching

AAR (After Action Review) is a post-action discussion teaching method. It consists of four steps: first, reviewing the process of the teaching activity; second, analyzing the critical events that occurred during the teaching; third, discussing the impact of these events on teaching and learning; and fourth, summarizing lessons learned and proposing improvement measures.

The most significant advantage of AAR is that it promotes teacher reflection and professional development. Through collective review, analysis, and discussion of teaching activities, teachers can recognize their teaching behaviors and identify strengths and areas needing improvement. AAR also enhances teacher communication and collaboration, forming a professional learning community. AAR is an essential process for promoting learning and improvement in various environments. It aids reflection, knowledge transfer, accountability, and continuous improvement while fostering collaboration and adaptability. Its significance includes risk management, decision support, and personal and professional development. AAR is a powerful mechanism for improving organizational performance and individual growth.

Applying AAR in teaching practice helps teachers continuously optimize their teaching and improve teaching quality. It allows teachers to examine their teaching philosophies and strategies and explore better teaching solutions with colleagues. In summary, AAR is a highly effective means of teacher professional development, deserving widespread application in teaching.

### Current Problems of AAR in Rehabilitation Teaching

1. In the traditional AAR teaching method, the reflection process has several areas for improvement. First, reflection often stays superficial, making it difficult for participants to delve deeply into the root causes and underlying factors leading to specific outcomes, limiting a comprehensive understanding of events. Secondly, AAR tends to focus excessively on problems and mistakes, neglecting the analysis of successful practices, which can bring about negative emotions and inhibit motivation for positive learning and improvement.

Traditional AAR cannot analyze deeper issues and opportunities in the rehabilitation process. Relying solely on subjective human memory and perception makes it difficult to comprehensively grasp data on rehabilitation progress, which is not conducive to objective performance evaluation and continuous optimization. Additionally, cognitive biases may hinder rehabilitation professionals from embracing innovative ideas and trying new technological methods.

### Feedback is not timely or personalized

Traditional AAR is usually conducted post-event and may take time to collect, organize, and analyze data before providing feedback. This leads to delayed feedback, missing the opportunity for immediate understanding and intervention in the events. Due to feedback delays, rehabilitation professionals and participants may forget details of specific events, making deep reflection and improvement difficult. Traditional AAR provides generic feedback that does not consider participants' differences. Each patient's situation and needs may differ in rehabilitation, requiring personalized guidance and support.

### Single simulation scenarios

Limited response scenarios restrict the opportunities for participants to face challenges and practice problem-solving skills. This may lead to rehabilitation professionals only being familiar with everyday situations and lacking the ability to cope with complex or atypical cases. Additionally, single scenarios fail to cultivate participants' adaptability and flexibility, which are crucial skills in rehabilitation work.

Moreover, single simulation scenarios may overlook essential aspects of the rehabilitation field, such as special patient groups' needs, different rehabilitation methods' applications, and interdisciplinary cooperation. This undoubtedly creates knowledge blind spots for participants. Additionally, repetitive and monotonous simulation scenarios may bore participants, reducing their learning interest and enthusiasm, thus affecting training outcomes.

### Monotonous reflection forms

Monotony may cause participants to lose interest and attraction, developing a negative attitude towards the reflection process and reluctance to participate actively. Secondly, fixed reflection models limit participants' thinking scope, hindering the exploration of novel ideas and methods and thereby restricting innovation and problem-solving capabilities.

Furthermore, monotonous reflection forms may result in the omission of essential dimensions. Rehabilitation requires comprehensive thinking from disciplines such as medicine, psychology, and sociology, but a single reflection model may only cover one aspect, failing to grasp the whole picture. Another potential issue is that monotonous reflection needs to fully consider participants' differences and needs, lacking personalized guidance, which may not meet different individuals' learning and development goals.

Lastly, suppose the reflection process needs to be more specific and specific. In that case, participants may find it easier to internalize and apply reflective experiences in actual practice, significantly reducing the practical benefits of reflection. Integrating artificial intelligence technology into the AAR teaching method is necessary to avoid these drawbacks. AI can provide diversified, personalized, concrete reflection support, enhancing the depth and breadth of reflection and genuinely playing a positive role in education and professional development.

### Incomplete assessment system

Educational objectives or expected learning outcomes may need to be clarified, and directional guidance may be needed, making it difficult to measure the effectiveness of educational plans. Secondly, assessment methods and tools must be more varied, making it difficult to comprehensively evaluate participants' development in multiple dimensions such as knowledge, skills, attitudes, and behaviors. Additionally, there may be insufficient data, such as participant feedback, learning outcome data, or rehabilitation performance data, which also affects assessment accuracy.

The assessment system also needs more explicit assessment standards and indicators, making it challenging to measure participants' performance and educational effects objectively. Only timely feedback may also take advantage of the opportunity to improve educational plans. Furthermore, if consistent assessment methods are used, the results may be more accessible to compare horizontally

and analyze longitudinally, making it impossible to fully understand the changing trends of educational effectiveness.

### Using artificial intelligence to improve the approach to After Action Reviews (AAR)

#### Personalized Feedback and Data-Driven Reflection

In the AAR teaching method, feedback is crucial. Traditional AAR feedback often relies on subjective assessments from teachers or team members, which has limitations. Artificial intelligence can provide more objective and personalized feedback through data-driven methods. AI can generate detailed performance reports by collecting and analyzing various behavioral data of students during the learning process. For example, AI systems can analyze students' participation in classroom discussions, the quality of questions they pose, team collaboration, etc., to provide personalized improvement suggestions. Such feedback is more objective and comprehensive and helps students better understand their strengths and weaknesses, clarify improvement directions, and effectively enhance learning and teamwork efficiency.

#### Real-Time Data Analysis and Dynamic Adjustment

The AAR teaching method emphasizes continuous reflection and adjustment during activities to achieve optimal results. Real-time data analysis capability can analyze real-time data, significantly improving the process's efficiency and accuracy. Through sensors, Learning Management Systems (LMS), and other devices, AI can monitor and analyze students' learning behaviors and task progress in real time. For example, in a team project, AI can track each member's task completion, workload, and cooperation interactions in real time, promptly identifying potential issues. Based on this real-time data, AI systems can dynamically adjust teaching strategies, such as reallocating tasks, suggesting breaks, or adjusting pace to ensure the team remains optimal working. Furthermore, real-time data analysis can help teachers quickly identify and address students' difficulties during the learning process, providing targeted support and guidance.

#### Enhancing Reflection Quality with Natural Language Processing (NLP) Technology

Applying Natural Language Processing (NLP) technology in the AAR teaching method can significantly improve the quality and efficiency of the reflection phase. During the AAR process, students and team members must provide detailed descriptions and reflections on activities. NLP technology can automatically analyze these textual contents, extract key points and joint issues, and generate structured reflection reports. For example, AI systems can automatically analyze students' reflection texts, identify main successes, failures, and lessons learned, and automatically generate improvement suggestions. Additionally, NLP technology can assist teachers in quickly grading and evaluating students' reflection assignments, improving teaching efficiency. Teachers can better understand students' thought processes and comprehension through NLP technology, providing more targeted guidance and support.

Application of Virtual Assistants and Intelligent Dialogue Systems Virtual assistants and intelligent dialogue systems are another important application of artificial intelligence in

the AAR teaching method. Virtual assistants can provide 24/7 support and guidance to students and teams, helping them solve various problems during learning and reflection. For example, students can query learning materials, receive task prompts, submit assignments, etc., through virtual assistants without waiting for teacher responses. Intelligent dialogue systems can simulate teachers or experts, interact with students, and provide instant feedback and suggestions. Through interaction with intelligent dialogue systems, students can delve deeper into their learning process, identify problems, and develop improvement plans. This approach not only enhances the autonomy and initiative of learning but also significantly improves the effectiveness of AAR.

Driving Teaching Improvement through Big Data Analysis  
Extensive data analysis is one of the critical tools for artificial intelligence to enhance the AAR teaching method. By collecting and analyzing large amounts of student data, AI can discover patterns and trends in the teaching process, providing a scientific basis for teaching improvement. For example, AI can analyze the effectiveness of different teaching strategies and identify the most effective teaching methods and best practices. Furthermore, through aggregated analysis of student reflection data, AI can identify common problems and bottlenecks, providing suggestions for improving teaching content and methods to teachers. Extensive data analysis can also predict students' learning performance and trends, helping teachers take preemptive intervention measures to prevent students from falling behind or losing interest in learning. The AAR teaching method can be continuously optimized and improved through extensive data analysis, achieving better teaching results and learning experiences.

### Conclusion

The application of artificial intelligence in the AAR teaching method significantly improves the efficiency and effectiveness of this teaching method. Through personalized feedback and data-driven reflection, AI provides students and teams with more objective, comprehensive, and targeted improvement suggestions, enabling them to understand their strengths and weaknesses better and clarify improvement directions. This enhances individual and team learning outcomes and promotes overall collaboration efficiency. In addition, AI's real-time data analysis capabilities enable the AAR teaching method to continuously adjust dynamically during activities, ensuring that teams remain in the optimal working state. This real-time adjustment capability, combined with targeted support provided by artificial intelligence, enables students to quickly resolve difficulties encountered during the learning process, further enhancing teaching effectiveness.

Artificial intelligence also strongly supports the AAR teaching method through natural language processing technology, virtual assistants, intelligent dialogue systems, and extensive data analysis. NLP technology automatically analyzes students' reflection texts, extracts critical points, and generates improvement suggestions, significantly improving the quality and efficiency of the reflection phase. Virtual assistants and intelligent dialogue systems provide instant support and feedback, enhancing students' autonomous learning ability and depth of reflection. Extensive data analysis discovers patterns and trends in

teaching, providing a scientific basis for teaching improvement and helping teachers continuously optimize teaching strategies. Overall, the application of artificial intelligence not only enhances the efficiency and effectiveness of the AAR teaching method but also brings new learning and teaching experiences to students and teachers, indicating broader prospects for the future development of the AAR teaching method.

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