

USING SIMULATION TO BEST EFFECT

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Introduction

In the past decade there has been an explosion in interest in the use of simulation in healthcare. The reasons for this are many and varied including changes in the delivery of healthcare itself, the community's increasing awareness of the risks associated with the delivery of healthcare and improvements in computing technology enabling the development of an increasing array of training devices. Simulation in its various forms has the potential to improve the efficiency, quality and safety of patient care while at the same time improving the education, training and assessment of the caregivers.

Despite the potential advantages, educators face a continual challenge in terms of establishing and integrating simulation-based techniques into existing curricula and how to get the best value out of an inherently expensive undertaking.

Aims of this workshop

- to share ideas with each other about successes and challenges in terms of developing simulation-based teaching programs in one's own environment
- to provide guidelines for the development of effective simulation-based programs
- to meet and network with other educators interested in the use of simulation in healthcare

Format & content

The workshop will consist of series of brief presentations interspersed with small group discussions in relation to:

- the different modalities of simulation as applicable to healthcare
- a matrix to assist with matching resources to educational objectives
- guidelines for the development of educational programs
- educational tips for teaching using simulation

References

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Introduction – why are you here – what is your involvement?

Write down one question you want answered?

Hand them up – and read during break

Table introductions – with one of us at each

How many clinicians

How many educators

How many some sim

What do you do?

How many none

'Simulation' – what does it mean?

Helium stick

Like simulation once you have to actually do it, it can turn out to be harder than you think

Resource intensive

When using sim want to MAXIMIZE hands on –

Don't waste the time

i.e. Do the 'lecture' elsewhere!

Blended learning

Jen's P & D

An example for a general educational conference

Jean Ker

Could I speak re IPPI stuff?

Weller/ Glavin – at least as a panel

Jenny Weller

Best effect

What does that mean?

Cost effective

Educational effectiveness – how to 'measure'?

Overview

Learning matrix

Different types of simulation

History – CRM in healthcare

Not all the same

Educational benefits & costs vary with type

So establish educational objectives FIRST

Issenberg's systematic review

Our lit review

Developing a training program - Salas

Educational tips

Marcus Rall's tips?

Orientation to sim environment

Fidelity

Negative transfer

Links to work environment – transfer

SSLE

Must be integrated/blended

e.g. MED 5102

Objectives of workshop

Scope of simulation in healthcare
Matching tools to educational objectives
Cost effectiveness

Tips for development of training programs
Educational tips for teaching using simulation
Demo of different applications of simulation
Opp to ask questions of experts
Opp to meet others interested in simulation

Handouts