

What's Good for the Student is Good for the Sim Tech - A Simulation Scenario for Techs.

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Abstract

Workshop Topic: Sim Tech

Background

Simulation is widely adopted for training, testing and education in many fields. Classic to a healthcare simulation session students receive a briefing, a scenario, and a debriefing. Also central to this is the Sim Techs, Operators, Specialists, Coordinators, or whoever is responsible for producing the live event. This workshop will seek to explore the question: "Are there benefits for Sim Techs to experience their own simulation training in order to learn and hone their own craft?" We will pilot a scenario that's designed for Sim Techs to be the participant. It will have learning objectives that's relevant for Sim Techs and a debrief session with audience input. This will not be a competition like "Sim Wars" or "Tech Wars"

Workshop Description

This workshop will include a 10-15 minute scenario that's non-specific to any manikin system but relevant to the operation of a simulation, and then it'll be followed by a 20-25 mins debrief. The 'learner' will be a volunteer sim tech from the audience, and if no one is willing then one of our presenters will step in. The following debrief will be led by the presenters, but audience participation will be strongly encouraged. It will not follow the traditional debrief where the participant's performance is the focus. Discussion will be centred on the challenges sim techs encounter with producing and presenting live simulations, both technical and non-technical.

Learning Objectives

By the end of this workshop participants will be able to:

1. Discuss what relevance Tech Scenarios may have in their own education
2. Gain more personal understanding of simulation education
3. Increase their awareness of how their own work can influence the simulation education

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