

Creating a Low-Cost Local Academic Simulation Training Course by Applying the INACSL Standards of Best Practice: SimulationSM Education

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Key Finding: Developing a state-wide coalition and regional academic course valuable to the Utah simulation community through standardization of teaching and learning strategies

Birth of the USC Idea

- Increase in simulation methodology indicated need for financial and educational support of Utah simulation professionals
- 2015: Statewide simulation leaders collaborated to standardize simulation education processes and procedures in academia and health care organizations
- **Long term goal: Establish statewide standards for simulation through legislation**

Creating the USC Non-Profit Organization

- 2015: USC board developed and implementation of Mission, Vision, and Goal
- 2016 – 2018: Developed bylaws and board position responsibilities, and established 501c3 Status
- **Vision: To promote quality evidence-based clinical care and patient safety through simulation excellence**



Creation of a 3-Day Academic Facilitator Course

- Utah academic simulation practitioners need accessible and affordable simulation training
- Academic facilitator course modeled after existing accredited hospital systems course to maintain standardization across the state
- Core content developed through collaboration of local content experts
- **Course foundation: INACSL Standards of Best Practice in Simulation**

Course Successes & Challenges

- Provided state-wide low cost simulation education foundation for local academic practitioners
- Champions are needed to focus coalition members and course developers
- Participants indicated a “more debriefing practice” was needed even though 6.5 hours of debriefing practice was provided
- **Participants indicated a 40-60% increase in ability to achieve course outcomes**