RIVERSIDE CITY COLLEGE
SCHOOL OF NURSING

Policy & Procedure: Simulation Prioritization of Resources Policy

The SON faculty identified and approved specific low-volume, high-risk simulation experiences to be implemented across the nursing curriculum. These simulation experiences are given first priority for scheduling in the Parkview Community Medical Center Virtual Hospital (PCMCVH) to meet learning outcomes for each required SON course. The hours of operation for the PCMCVH are 0800-1630. These hours are flexed to accommodate simulation schedules as necessary.

Scheduling of simulation experiences is coordinated by the Director of Simulation/Learning Labs (LLs) with consultation with the Simulation Experts, Simulation Facilitators, Nursing Simulation Lab Specialist (NSLS), and course-level faculty. The dates and times of all course-level simulation educational activities are negotiated to resolve scheduling conflicts to ensure that all approved simulation educational activities for each course are scheduled. The simulation schedule is finalized prior to the beginning of the semester.

In order to ensure quality facilitator and participant interaction during simulation educational activities, the facilitator to participant ratio should not exceed a 1:12 ratio for simulation educational activities. Simulations taking place in the PCMCVH may require lower facilitator to participant ratios depending on the nature of the simulation educational activity, learning objectives/outcomes, and number of participants to be accommodated. Simulation Experts and course-level faculty are responsible for arranging facilitator coverage for simulation educational activities.

Development of new simulation educational activities are considered based on program needs and available resources. The learning objectives determine the most appropriate simulation educational activity modality and locale.

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