# MEDICAL SIMULATION

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# Introduction

Student will "get it" in time

"See one, do one"

**Quality of education?** 

# **Traditional Theory**

Teacher-oriented education

 It does not matter how well information is packaged and delivered, only content

matters



Space lab Avionic HUMAN ERROR FREE FUNCTION "ONE CHANCE" TO GET IT RIGHT SIMULATION

# SOUNDS LIKE MEDICINE

# **Medical Simulation**



Life threatening situation "scripted"



Can be modified in each subsequent

# **Medical Simulation**



No risk to real patient



Can be stopped at any time



Reflection on action & planning

# Low-tech Simulation Modalities

Simple three dimensional organ model

Animal models

Basic manikin

Human cadavers

Standardized Patient

## Simulation Models

- Standardized patient
  - Smooth transition to care of real patient
  - SP can be trained to demonstrate limited abnormalities
  - Interact with person
    - In emergency situation
    - Delivering bad news

# Simulation Models

- Computer-based simulation
  - Students 'work' without regard to patient availability
  - All students can evaluate the same case
  - Students can be given detailed feedback on their knowledge

(Friedman)

# Simulation Models

#### Manikin

- Used to teach aspects that are particularly sensitive or cause discomfort to patient
- When abnormalities may be unpredictably encountered in daily practice

# Simulation Characteristics

#### Fidelity

- The likeness of a simulation to the real life simulation designed to mirror
- Must match with education purpose

#### Validity

- Formative and summative purpose
- Generic skill are not dependent on the specific content of the case

#### Reliability

- Reproducibility
- Ability of the SP to present the same signs and symptoms accurately on many occasions
- The accuracy of the feedback to the student

#### Learning

 Should be related to the objectives for the student, who the student is

#### Feasibility

- Simulation can be implemented based on
  - Cost
  - Personnel
  - Faculty time
  - Logistic of buying, maintaining, updating and storing equipment

### Evaluation

- Objective Structured Clinical Examination
  - Strongly endorsed by accreditation boards
  - Formal certification requirements

# Summary

Offers the potential for the evolution of a new teaching paradigm for the new millennium



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