

Medical Skills Education and Innovation Centre

The Simulation Safety Pledge

- 1.** We will label all equipment, supplies, and medications with the official logo label denoting the item: Not for Human Use – Education Only.
- 2.** We will continuously educate all faculty and staff of the simulation program about potential hazards to patients, participants, and staff that result from conducting simulation exercises.
- 3.** We will always inform participants about potential hazards to patients, participants, and staff that result from conducting simulation exercises.
- 4.** We will periodically review simulation related programs, courses, scenarios, and facilities for potential threats to safety and institute mechanisms to mitigate them.
- 5.** We will vet our teaching to make sure we don't inadvertently convey the legitimacy of simulation related "short-cuts" (i.e., Not wearing gloves, using expired medications)
- 6.** We will vet our teaching to make sure we don't convey incorrect information, treat controversial topics as certain, or leave incorrect actions in a simulation out of the debriefing discussion.
- 7.** We will make every attempt to educate those who conduct simulations outside of our direct control about simulation safety issues.
- 8.** We will have a rigorous process for returning equipment or supplies used in a simulation back into the clinical environment in an appropriate and safe manner.
- 9.** We will maintain an open and transparent reporting mechanism for simulation safety violations, near misses, and accidents whether or not direct harm to a staff member, simulation participant, or patient has actually occurred.
- 10.** We will always weigh simulation safety ahead of cost, expediency, and fidelity when making decisions about the conduct of simulations.

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