Cross-Specialty Collaboration in Society Sponsored Organizational Performance Improvement







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Conflict of Interest / Perspective

- Royalties from UpToDate on unrelated topic
- Editor-in-Chief, ASA Simulation Editorial Board, 2006-2018
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- Maintenance of Certification in Anesthesiology (MOCA®) simulation course:
 - Requirements established in 2006 in conjunction with the American Board of Anesthesiology
 - Course is at least 6 hours
 - Course participant to instructor ratio ≤ 5:1
 - Scenario themes that must be included:
 - Hypoxemia
 - Hemodynamic disturbances
 - Teamwork



Course Format

- Every participant takes a turn as anesthesiologist-incharge for a scenario
- During other scenarios they observe, act as first responders and participate in the debriefings

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- MOCA® simulation course goals:
 - Identify optimal care
 - Reflect on whether optimal care is currently provided in your practice
 - Develop an improvement plan that addresses gaps
 - NOT a performance assessment (NOT a test!)

Post Course Follow-up

- Within 3 days of the training, participants:
 - Evaluate the course
 - Submit 3 practice improvement plans
- Within 90 days of the training, participants:
 - Indicate whether their plans have been implemented: not at all, partially or completely
 - Indicate any barriers that were encountered

ORIGINAL INVESTIGATIONS IN EDUCATION

Practice Improvements Based on Participation in Simulation for the Maintenance of Certification in Anesthesiology Program

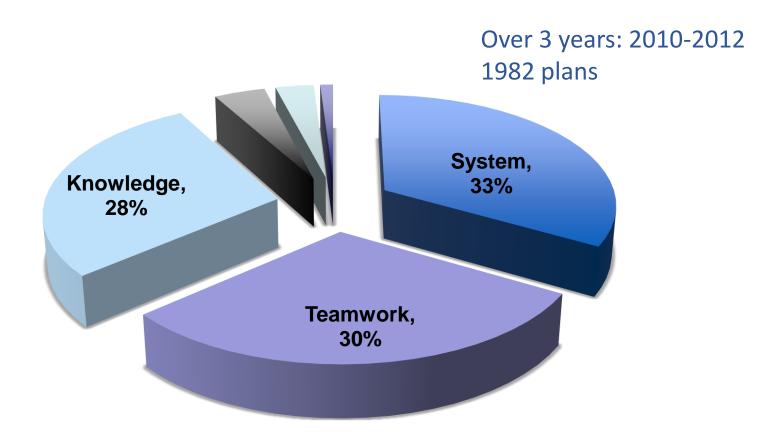
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ABSTRACT

Background: This study describes anesthesiologists' practice improvements undertaken during the first 3 yr of simulation activities for the Maintenance of Certification in Anesthesiology Program.

Anesthesiology 2015, 122: 1154

Improvement Plan Categories



Plan Completion

	N	Percent
Fully completed	1,558	79%
Partially completed	310	16%
Not completed	114	6%

Multivariable Analysis

Predictor	Odds	95% CI	P value
	Ratio		
Measurability	1.57	0.79-3.08	0.591
Experience	0.95	0.90-1.01	0.276
Total number of professions targeted per plan	1.29	1.06-1.57	0.036

Setting was dropped because *P*>0.20 in univariable analysis. A Bonferroni correction was made to account for multiple comparisons.



Individuals Targeted by Plans

Target	N	Percent
Self	1,764	89%
Others	1,546	78%
Other Anesthesiologists/	990	50%
Anesthesia Providers		
Non-Anesthesia Physicians	320	16%
(e.g., Surgeons)		
Non-Anesthesia Non-Physicians	525	26%
(e.g., Nurses, Pharmacists)		

There can be multiple targets per plan. Percentages are based on total N=1,982 plans.



/ Leadership of the ACS AEI Program

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- Accredited Education Institutes 110 centers accredited throughout the world
- Accreditation involves site visit
- Conferences include annual Simulation Summit





- Joint Half-Day Sessions
- First scheduled for 2020
- Virtual sessions in 2021 and 2022
- Planning in person joint session in March 2023

Prior Joint Sessions - Virtual

- 2021
 - How Do We Restore and Advance the Value of Simulation-Based Training for the Future?
 - Themes emerged regarding what ACS and ASA can do
 - Joint activities
 - Joint advocacy
 - Joint certification
 - Joint financing
 - Joint scholarly activity
 - Joint statements
 - Joint training



Prior Joint Sessions - Virtual

- 2022 Keynote speaker: Kevin Weiss, ACGME, CLER Officer
- Breakout sessions addressed:
 - How can surgeons and anesthesiologists enhance communication and collaboration through simulations?
 - How can ACS and ASA facilitate these activities?



Simulation Summit Joint Half-Day Sessions

- Breakout groups addressed the following:
 - Ensuring effective, ongoing team communication during surgery
 - Conducting effective timeouts / huddles before surgery
 - Conducting effective timeouts / huddles postoperatively, for transfer of patients to PACU or ICU
 - Promoting effective interprofessional practice that includes OR staff, residents and others who participate in the surgical care of patients
 - Foster an understanding of each other's roles / needs;
 learning how what you do impacts your colleagues

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Future Directions



- ACS-ASA task force with 4 surgeons, 4 anesthesiologists, and administrative support
- Setting agenda for 2023 joint simulation summit
- Priorities:
 - Perioperative quality improvement
 - Joint faculty development / joint curricula
 - Joint instructional events / meetings
 - Multi-institutional collaboration

Conclusions

- We work as teams
- We need to train as teams