SimLEARN
Learning Management

Supports enterprise-level innovative healthcare solutions by facilitating the development of simulation-based curricula and amplifying resource distribution to enhance Veteran health outcomes.

SimLEARN's Learning Management portfolio provides management, leadership, and educational expertise related to short- and long-range simulation-based training solutions for employees across the VA enterprise.

FUNCTIONAL AGENDA

- Leverage innovative learning strategies to advance the standard of learning
- Standardize the provision of simulation education and learning
- Incorporate best practices that enhance SimLEARN's curriculum development
- Optimize SimLEARN's ability to measure success of simulation education

SimLEARN Innovation Center for Education (SLICE)

The SLICE program operates as VHA’s national program for advancing clinical simulation training, education and research across VHA. This network of partnerships among SimLEARN and facilities (known as SLICE cells) seeks to improve Veteran patient outcomes through simulation education and training of VA facility health care professionals.

With 22 cells nationwide, VHA employees can take courses at nearby SLICE centers, eliminating travel to the National Simulation Center and decreasing the need for VHA clinicians to spend time away from Veteran care.

Trauma Nurse Core Course (TNCC)

The TNCC teaches Registered Nurses core level knowledge and psychomotor skills, which are important to assess and treat sick or injured patients. In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, Learning Management, in collaboration with the Emergency Nurse Association (ENA) and SimLEARN's Clinical Training and Engagement portfolio, revamped TNCC for virtual delivery. TNCC is taught by approximately 80 credentialed ENA/VHA faculty members at 30 facilities that offer hybrid training of virtual didactic training plus hands-on training at the site for the practical portion of the course. TNCC is based on the nursing process.

Stay in VA

The Stay in VA initiative provides VA supervisors, managers and leadership an opportunity to engage with their employees through one-to-one ‘Stay Touchpoints.’ These Stay Touchpoints are discussions between VA employees and their supervisors guided by open-ended, thoughtfully crafted questions that are provided to the supervisors during Stay in VA trainings. Through these discussions, this course aims to promote employee retention, drive employee engagement, and increases job satisfaction.

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The Simulation Learning, Evaluation, Assessment and Research Network (SimLEARN) is the VHA’s program for simulation in health care training. Serving the largest integrated health care system in the world, SimLEARN provides an ever-growing body of curricula and best practices that improve health care for our nation’s Veterans.

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