

## Specialty Care VA-ECHO: High-Quality Continuing Education for Busy Clinicians

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*Logo for Veterans Administration Extension for Community Healthcare Outcomes. (VA Courtesy Image)*

Are you a busy clinician looking for high-quality continuing education without the need for travel? Specialty Care Veterans Administration Extension for Community Healthcare Outcomes (VA-ECHO) has got you covered! VA-ECHO offers live webinars in 23 specialties that combine specialty consultation with case-based accredited didactic education, creating a learning community through mentorship that promotes evidence-based, Veteran-centered care.

In fiscal year (FY) 2022, Specialty Care VA-ECHO provided over 50,000 contact hours to over 9,000 learners from 611 VA sites in all 50 states plus Guam, American Samoa and Puerto Rico. And the best part? VA-ECHO currently offers two programs in partnership with the Simulation Learning, Evaluation, Assessment, and Research Network (SimLEARN) including SimLEARN Community of Practice (CoP) & Resuscitation Education and Innovation (REdI) 2 Rescue.

The SimLEARN CoP VA-ECHO sessions are held on the fourth Wednesday of the month from 03:00-04:00 p.m. ET. Upcoming sessions (links require VA access):

- 4/26 - [TMS 131007271](#) The Effect of Suicide Simulation Challenges and Lucas Device Training for ICTs
- 5/24 - [TMS 131007272](#) Simulation and Difficult Airway Management plus a Fellow Showcase

The REdI to Rescue VA-ECHO sessions are held on the first Wednesday of the month from 12:00-01:00 p.m. ET. Upcoming sessions (links require VA access):

- 5/3 - [TMS 131005198](#) Tracheostomy Care and Associated Toolbox
- 6/7 - [TMS 131005199](#) Taking Implicit Bias Out of Inter-professionalism Through Clinical Simulation

Both programs have received positive comments from evaluations, and upcoming sessions cover a variety of topics such as suicide simulation challenges, difficult airway management, tracheostomy care and implicit bias in interprofessionalism.

VA-ECHO offers a variety of educational options for busy clinicians, including regular reoccurring sessions with didactic content and sessions with real-time case-based learning. Multi-session workshops and multi-day boot camps with interactive question and answer and/or expert-led panel discussions are also available. All live sessions offer ACCME, ACCME-NP, ACPE and ANCC accreditations, and additional accreditations are offered as appropriate such as AAPA, ABIM-MOC, ACHE, ADA, AOTA, APA, APTA, ASHA, ASWB-NYSED, CDR, CRCE, JA-ICPE, NBCC and PACE.

To join the listserv for upcoming sessions related to SimLEARN's work, click the "Join Listserv(s) for invitation" button on our Specialty Care [VA-ECHO SharePoint site](#) (VA access only) and complete the form. Sign up for VA-ECHO today and continue your professional development from the comfort of your own office!