A Message from Our Staff
Thank you to everyone who helped make academic year 2017-2018 a success! We will complete the year with over 10,000 learner encounters. We would like to extend a sincere welcome to all new healthcare professionals, medical students, residents, fellows, VMC nurses, respiratory therapy, nursing and physician assistant students! We look forward to working with you.

Announcements
The Clinical Simulation Center (CSC) will be closed Wednesday, July 4, for Independence Day.

Please take a moment to say hello to Sarah and Danielle, two undergraduate students who are helping us this summer keep the Sim Lab in tip-top shape!

Simulation Program Stars
♦ Pete Pancoast and the Fellows of the Pulmonary Disease and Critical Care Medicine Fellowship Program were presented the Platinum Manikin Education Award for their contributions to the CSC’s educational activities. We appreciate all of their efforts in making the CSC a success!
♦ Special thanks to Jamie Norville and Select Apparatus for donating and installing a simulated ambulance bay in the CSC.
♦ Dr. Robey received the 2017-2018 Outstanding Educator Award from the Fellows of the Pulmonary Disease and Critical Care Medicine Fellowship Program. Congratulations, Dr. Robey!
♦ CSC Staff received the 2017-2018 Special Recognition Award from the Pulmonary Disease and Critical Care Medicine Fellowship Program.
♦ The Clinical Simulation Program was presented with a hand-carved, framed photo and letter of appreciation from the Camp Lejeune Combat Logistics Regiment 2 for procedural skills and tactical trauma training for their general medical officers and hospital corpsmen. Faculty from Emergency Medicine and EMS, and Critical Care Fellowship participated in the sessions.
♦ CSC Staff Becky Gilbird, Tyler Matthews, and Jessica Cringan received their BLS and BLS instructor certification.

Program Activity
Welcome new programs! VMC Behavioral Health Skills Fair offered a two-day event with over 100 learners and in addition to Vidant EastCare monthly educational sessions they held a day-long Advanced Burn Life Support course in the CSC.

Weekly interprofessional simulation and skills sessions led by Internal Medicine/Critical Care, with residents, fellows, medical students, VMC ERT nurses, Pitt Community College respiratory therapy, nursing students and faculty continue to be successful.

Self-directed learning opportunities for medical students using simulators for auscultation, eye and ear examination, ultrasound, suturing, and laparoscopy are now available through Blackboard.


Carolyn Alphin and Barbara Malpass presented at the NCAHQ Conference (April 2018): Timing is Everything: OB Simulations in a Nurse Residency Program

Dr. Steve Charles is leading a Certified Healthcare Simulation Educator (CHSE) prep course for the CHSE exam. Members of the College of Nursing, Vidant Medical Center, and Brody School of Medicine are currently attending.

Dr. Laura Gantt for the ECU College of Nursing, BSOM CSC, and VMC simulation coordinator, Tracy Langston, have created an online simulation facilitator orientation program available to simulation faculty.

We completed the Spring IPE Transition to Residency sessions in which 4th year BSOM students and College of Nursing students participated in clinical scenarios. This is a great opportunity for future doctors and nurses to collaborate and learn each other’s roles’ and abilities.

The Healthcare Simulation Unit
The Healthcare Simulation Unit (HSU) was featured during several regional conferences in April, including the Emergency Nurses Association and Eastern Regional Advisory Committee (ERAC). The HSU and the Simulation Team also participated in a state-wide Stop the Bleed program for the NC Legislature in Raleigh in May.

The Childress Institute for Pediatric Trauma featured the Healthcare Simulation Unit at their 10th anniversary celebration in Lexington, NC. The Childress Institute provides funding for regional pediatric trauma simulation activities using the HSU.

The Healthcare Simulation Unit will be traveling to Halifax Regional Hospital (Roanoke Rapids, NC), Carteret General Hospital (Morehead City, NC), Vidant Duplin Hospital (Duplin County, NC) and Wayne County EMS (Goldsboro, NC) in the near future for emergency department pediatric trauma simulations. The HSU has also been invited to a Career and Technical Education conference in Greensboro for day-long simulation sessions for high school health educators.

Remember, our patients trust us to do it right...every time