

## What is Simulation and the ACGME Requirements?

Simulation can be a powerful tool in the training and assessment of Graduate Medical Education (GME) learners.

Per ACGME Common Program Requirements, simulations may be incorporated into the structured didactic activity curriculum where protected time should be enforced. For example, the Requirements state that simulation may be used to teach assessing care goals including end-of-life goals and disclosure of patient safety events. They also state that simulation could be used to conduct interprofessional clinical patient safety activities, such as root cause analyses or other activities that include analysis as well as formulation and implementation of actions. Simulation may help ensure programs meet ACGME requirements as well as ensure House Staff competence and ability to enter autonomous practice. This is especially useful in rare event teaching and teaching of difficult to master procedures and skills which can be associated with adverse events.

Fortunately, Augusta University is home to a state-of-the-art Interdisciplinary Simulation Center. See below for more details.

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