



# Network News

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## SLIIC Course, May/June, 2017

On May 31, the Simulation Leader Interprofessional Instructor Course (SLIIC) began at Dalhousie University. The objectives of the course were: to teach the theory underpinning simulation-based education; to teach the basic phases of the simulation teaching cycle; to create an understanding and demonstrate principles of scenario design and principles of effective debriefing; to provide facilitation skills and practical tools for managing debriefing challenges; to describe and understand principles of Crisis Resource Management and apply to practice; to understand how to develop checklists and evaluations for scenarios.

The participants came from many areas of expertise throughout the province and from New Brunswick. They were eager to learn, experiencing days that were packed full of information to take back to their respective programs.

As educators develop their simulation skills, there is increasing evidence of collaborative simulation events taking place like the interprofessional simulation sessions in the operating rooms at the QEII on a monthly basis.

## Sim Awards

- Sim Citizenship Award – for an outstanding individual
- Sim Innovator Award – for leading organizations

Nominations close soon so for more information go to the following link [Sim awards](#).



## SimEd Network Accreditation

The SimEd Network is working towards receiving accreditation status through the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada in 2018. With the four

Partner organizations gathering their required documentation for submission we aim to be the first network to become accredited for simulation based education, a new area of accreditation with the Royal College. Stay tuned for future updates.

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## Faculty of Health Program Updates

Dalhousie's Faculty of Health Professions has changed its name to Faculty of Health, effective July 1, 2017. This is one of Dals largest Faculties that began in the 1960's and has seen many changes over the years. Today it has a broad reach in many areas of research and academics.

Congratulations goes out to Dr. Alice Aiken, former Dean Faculty of Health, who has recently been appointed to Vice President Research, Dalhousie University. This is an exciting opportunity for Dr. Aiken and we wish her well in her new position. Dr. Brenda Merritt from Faculty of Health will be Acting Dean Faculty of Health.

The Collaborative Health Education and Research Building (CHEB) opened in late 2015, on the corner of University Avenue and Summer Street. This is where you will find many of the students from across the health programs. Located on the third floor of the CHEB is the Centre for Clinical Collaborative Learning Resource (CCCLR). The CCCLR has added a new Managing Director to its management team in the past year. Filling this position is Tanya Dutton who brings with her many years of leadership and clinical practice from Nova Scotia Health Authority. Today, much of Tanya's responsibilities are for operations at the CCCLR. There is a hive of simulation and clinical skills-based practice here focused on interprofessional education and collaborative learning for the Faculties of Medicine, Dentistry and Health.

In June Tanya and her group hosted two sessions where they showcased the CCCLR facilities with live simulations using participants from the simulated patient program along with interprofessional educators. If you are interested in a tour of the CCCLR or have any questions, don't hesitate to reach out to Tanya at [tanya.dutton@dal.ca](mailto:tanya.dutton@dal.ca).

In June, an Interprofessional Education Simulation Day was held in Yarmouth. Students from various health professions participated in this event, simulating a real life patient care environment where team based care is practiced. Having interprofessional students learning together enables them to have a greater understanding of each other's roles in the practice setting and will enhance greater collaboration and communication across the continuum of care.

There will be a Health Fun Run Challenge on October 14<sup>th</sup>, so calling all alumni and friends to join your school teams for this fun packed activity to catch up with old friends or make new ones.



### Our Vision

*...lead interprofessional simulation-based learning in health to improve safety and quality of care.*

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