

Realistic Training to Improve Skills Utilization

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Issues

 Despite training, some providers still seem uncertain and reluctant to implement their skills in the clinical setting.
Lack of opportunity to work with other departments, and utilize ICS techniques.

Maximize Training dollars

Concept

Combination of:

- Focused Didactics
- Procedure Lab using Cadavers
- High Fidelity Wireless Simulators
- Realistic Scenarios
 - Combined teams from several services
 - Unfold in Real time

Didactic

Brief lecture focused on relevant skill set:

- Triage
- Treatment
- Transport
- ICS

Procedure Lab

Fresh cadaveric specimens

- Anatomy dissection from neck to abdomen
 - Focused on relative anatomy, occasionally pathology
 - Basic airway management station
 - BVM, especially <u>bagging</u> <u>technique</u>



Procedure Lab

Advanced Airway

- Practice multiple advanced airways techniques
- Practice decompression
- High tech airway devices

Vascular Access

- Practice multiple advanced access techniques
- Practice I/O
- Hemorrhage Control



Simulations

Focused on

- Teamwork
- ICS
- Assessment
- Treatment
- Transport



Real World Scenario

 Grand Scenario pulls all elements together
Requires teams to use all skills from the day



Recap

- All components filmed
- Review and feedback end of day
- Instructors and Students discuss each component



Results

Improved Cross Service Cooperation
Improved skills (anecdotal)

- "More intubations here than last 3 years on the street"
- "More comfortable with the Procedure"
- "Best Training in 19 years in EMS"

Results

 Skills now employed in the field, especially by providers who were reluctant or insecure.
Most improved technique: BVM



Logistics

 Medical Education and Research Institute
Vacant Nearby Building
Support from vendors

Cost: \$300 per student



Questions

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