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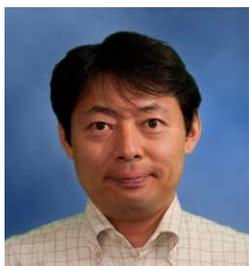
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WISER Welcomes Visiting Fellow Dr. Satoshi Takeda



WISER would like to welcome Dr. Satoshi Takeda, a visiting fellow from The Jikei University School of Medicine, Tokyo, Japan. Dr. Takeda is a lecturer in the Department of Emergency Medicine. While at WISER, Dr. Takeda will study how to integrate simulation-based education into his teachings as well research. He is a member of the Japanese Emergency and Cardiovascular Care Science Committee, Resuscitation Science Committee, and the Japanese Society for Instructional System in Healthcare (JSISH).

WISER Now Offers Maintenance of Certification in Anesthesiology (MOCA) Program

WISER is now offering a course for the Maintenance of Certification in Anesthesiology Program (MOCA). This simulation course fulfills one requirement of the American Board of Anesthesiology's (ABA) Maintenance of Certification in Anesthesiology Program MOCA Part IV. This course is a fun, fast-paced, human simulation-based training experience that can help individuals prepare to manage clinical challenges that are frequently faced in anesthesiology practice. Please consult the ABA website, www.theaba.org for a list of all MOCA requirements. The class occurs one Saturday a month beginning November 16. Visit the WISER MOCA course page, www.wiser.pitt.edu/moca, for upcoming course dates.



WISER Preceptor Course



WISER offers a 1 to 2 day simulation specialist (technician) preceptor program that is customized to your needs. The course allows current or potential simulation specialists to observe and learn how WISER Simulation Specialists function. Participants of this program will spend time with members of the WISER team and have the opportunity to learn how the center is managed. Multiple topics will be addressed including schedule management, job specifications, equipment troubleshooting, and instructor training. For further information please visit: www.wiser.pitt.edu

UPCOMING CONTINUING EDUCATION EVENTS AT WISER

○ ANESTHESIA DIFFICULT AIRWAY MANAGEMENT COURSE

November 13, 2010

○ FIBEROPTIC BRONCOSCOPY COURSE

November 14, 2010

○ ISIM COURSE

November 29-30
December 1, 2010

○ 4TH ANNUAL NURSING SYMPOSIUM

December 2-3, 2010

For more course offerings visit
www.wiser.pitt.edu



Registration is Now OPEN for 4th Annual Nursing Symposium

Registration is now **OPEN** for WISER's 4th Annual Symposium on Nursing Simulation. This year's symposium is December 2 and 3, 2010 and will be held at the Pittsburgh Airport Marriott, located minutes from the Pittsburgh International Airport.

Agenda items:

- Best practices
- Leadership skills
- Assessment methods
- Program development
- Interactive workshops
- Practical pointers and demonstrations
- Use of supplemental educational technology
- Internationally recognized simulation experts



Keynote speakers:

- Leland "Rocky" Rockstraw PhD, RN - Drexel University
- Bonnie Driggers RN, MS - Oregon Health Sciences University
- Jeffrey Groom PhD, RN, CRNA - Florida International University

Featured speakers:

- Valerie Howard RN, EdD - Robert Morris University
- Paul Phrampus MD - University of Pittsburgh
- John O'Donnell DrPH, RN, CRNA - University of Pittsburgh
- Helen Burns PhD, RN - University of Pittsburgh
- Gabby Gosman MD - Magee Women's Hospital of UPMC

Poster sessions:

New this year to the symposium, there will be a poster session for individuals to display recent work that they have done in nursing simulation. The top 10 posters will receive a discounted rate for registration for the symposium. All submissions must be received by November 5th and winners will be notified by email.

**For further information and to register, please visit
www.wiser.pitt.edu/nursingsymposium**

WISER Simulation Operations Team Members Become BLS Instructors

WISER is pleased to announce the accomplishment of two of our staff members, Melissa Wanker, Coordinator of Simulation Services, and Nichole Erny, Simulation Specialist. Both have successfully passed the American Heart Association, BLS Instructor Training Program. Melissa and Nichole will be supporting BLS programs at WISER and its affiliates.



If you have questions about BLS or ACLS at WISER, please feel free to contact WISER Help at wiserhelp@upmc.edu.

Dr. Young Min Kim Completes Fellowship at WISER

Dr. Young Min Kim has recently completed his yearlong fellowship with WISER, which has provided him with the tools to successfully train healthcare professionals in his native country of South Korea. During his time at WISER, Dr. Kim submitted numerous research posters to a variety of organizations which include the following:

International Meeting on Simulation in Healthcare, January 2010, Phoenix, Arizona:

- *“Perception of Realism and Course Relevance Compared to Years of Experience in a Simulation Based Paramedic Airway Training Program”* -Young Min Kim, John Lutz, Paul Phrampus
- *“Simulation Experience and Practicing Emergency Physicians’ Perceptions to a Simulation-Based Difficult Airway Training Program.”* -Young Min Kim, Paul Phrampus

Safar Symposium - Trainees Research Day, June 2010, Pittsburgh, PA:

- *“Simulation Experience and Practicing Emergency Physicians’ Perceptions to a Simulation-Based Difficult Airway Training Program.”* -Young Min Kim



Dr. Kim won the best simulation poster award for his poster “Simulation Experience and Practicing Emergency Physicians’ Perceptions to a Simulation-Based Difficult Airway Training Program.” Research day judges selected a winning poster in each of the 5 different departments participating in the inaugural research day which included Anesthesiology, Critical Care Medicine, Emergency Medicine, Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, and WISER/Simulation.

WISER is appreciative of the work completed by Dr. Kim and the cultural diversity that he brought from South Korea to share with the staff of WISER.

ASK OPS

If any of the SimMan airway features fail to initialize:

- ❑ The SimMan silhouette in the bottom left hand side of the GUI should be green. Check the cabling if it is not.
- ❑ The air compressor should be on and open to the simulator.
- ❑ The corresponding labeled hose should be securely attached to the silver connection on the main board under the chest.
- ❑ Toggle the linkbox power switch off/on and restart the software after making adjustments.



Director's Corner

Greetings Simulation Colleagues,

I am just returning from South Korea where I had the opportunity to participate in the Grand opening ceremonies of the Spring Hospital at the Red Cross College of Nursing (RCCN) in Seoul. The Spring Hospital is a state of the art simulated clinical environment for teaching clinical care to the nursing students at the RCCN. The enthusiasm for simulation was palpable. The ceremonies were held in conjunction with the Conference on Nursing Simulation and Disaster Education.



Following the day at RCCN I lectured at the Korean Military Medical Academy in Daejeon, Korea and participated in the evaluation of a number of scenarios that are in the process of being created. It was exciting to see people on the other side of the world growing and working on some of the same challenges in education and simulation development. The level of sophistication in simulation all across Korea is growing at a substantial rate and is being moved forward by a motivated group of educators with a pure passion for excellence.

The energy I felt from attending these events renewed my own excitement for our upcoming 4th annual WISER Symposium on Nursing Simulation. We are expecting this to be our best year ever for this meeting, which has been growing since its inception three years ago. This year we are offering the iSIM course for training simulation instructors as a pre-course offering, and the combination of the two events will certainly be another year of WISER contributing to the successes of simulation in the world of nursing education as well as clinical nursing practice! Until next time, Happy Simulating!

With Warmest Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Paul E. Wiser'.

Paul

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