

Joint Aberystwyth University and HEIW Simulation Conference: 5 July 2023

Evolving Simulation-Based Education and Training: embracing digital technologies to support professional healthcare learning

Special Interest Networks:

During the afternoon you will have the opportunity to attend a special interest network. A description of each of the networks is provided below.

Community Healthcare Simulation Network

This network group looks to bring together all those who are involved in the delivery of simulation across the community components of healthcare delivery in Wales. This includes simulation relevant to primary care, community based services such as podiatry and physiotherapy, care delivered within the home, pre-hospital management and the important work of the third sector including that of healthcare based charities such as Mind and Macmillan. This group aims to provide an opportunity for those involved within this unique area of healthcare based simulation to meet, get to know each other and form a network in order to facilitate sharing of ideas, experiences and resources while supporting with each other's work.

Remote Simulation Network

This network group looks to bring together all those who are involved or have an interest in remote simulation in Wales. Remote simulation is defined as being "where the facilitator, learners, or both in an offsite location separate from other members to complete educational or assessment activities" (Laurent et al., 2014; Shao et al., 2018). This group aims to provide an opportunity for those involved or with an interest in the design and delivery of remote simulation to meet, get to know each other and form a network in order to collaborate and facilitate the sharing of ideas, experiences and resources while supporting with each other's work.

Interprofessional Simulation Network

This network group aims to bring together anyone who is actively taking part in, or wishes to get involved with planning, designing, delivering and/or facilitating interprofessional simulation-based education and training (IPSBET). In the true spirit of interprofessional learning, this group will learn from, about and with each other regarding the challenges and achievements experienced with IPSBET. The learning and reflection about the hurdles and triumphs will encourage and further enhance the pathways to successful IPSBET across healthcare in Wales.

Mental Health Simulation Network

Simulation Based Education has been viewed as an educational methodology that can aid the improvement of care for those with mental illness yet SBE within Mental Health needs to be more widely adopted (Thomson et al 2013). This network hopes to bring together individuals that are involved with or interested in the delivery of simulation across any Mental Health setting in Wales. The group aims to provide an opportunity for individuals to meet, discuss, share ideas and experiences in order to explore how simulation can be more integral to this specialist area of healthcare.