

## CMS SAFER project

### How to use this curriculum

The curriculum is meant to function as an aid in increasing awareness on medical error and in promoting patient safety throughout the medical fields. Users are encouraged to utilize the materials as they deem appropriate for their learners' circumstances and unique environments. As a stand-alone package with four complementary modules (along with introductory "Patient Safety" slideshow and additional pediatric module), the curriculum correspondingly features flexibility of use. The modules may be used in sequence or in order of convenience, individually or as a whole.

Each of the 4 core modules contains the following:

-A Powerpoint slide-show Human Factors Didactic element for instruction in the fundamentals of the patient safety area of focus

-An advanced medical Simulation Scenario, with detailed case description and associated files, to be implemented at the simulated bedside. Each scenario is intended to reinforce the teaching points introduced by the didactic element. To evaluate their incorporation into participant behaviors and to assist in research protocols, an investigative *probe* is featured for each scenario. ACGME competency domains met by the case are additionally listed. (Each scenario has been implemented and tested at the originating simulation center.)

-Debriefing Materials to be distributed upon module completion for additional self directed learning

Collaboration between users of the curriculum for multi-center simulation studies towards the advancement of patient safety is encouraged. Further modules are scheduled to add to the curriculum in its current state.