



Society for Simulation in Healthcare  
**ACCREDITATION**

Committee for Accreditation of  
Healthcare Simulation Programs

Fellowship

Standards and Measurement Criteria

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## Fellowship Program Standards and Measurement

Application for Accreditation in Fellowship Program will be limited to those Programs actively involved in simulation activities.

The 5 Fellowship sections of the Standards are related to: (1) Program Infrastructure, (2) Program Resources, (3) Educational Activities (4) Scholarship, and (5) Program Evaluation and Improvement.

### 1. PROGRAM INFRASTRUCTURE

- a. *The Simulation Program has an intentional and credible commitment to simulation specific fellowship activities.*
  - i. Describe how the fellowship activities link to the simulation program's mission and/or vision.
  - ii. Provide an example of how you align the Fellowship Program activities to the fellowship and simulation program mission and/or vision.
- b. *The Fellowship Program has an established record of organizational support.*
  - i. Provide the organizational chart that demonstrates the Fellowship Program's organization and structure including lines of authority within the program and within the organization.
  - ii. Describe how the governance structure including people or committees that provide oversight and/or advisory functions to the Fellowship Program.
  - iii. Describe how the lines of authority of the Fellowship Program link to the Simulation Program.
- c. *The Fellowship Program is financially stable.*
  - i. Describe the funding process for the Fellowship Program.
- d. *The Fellowship Program has simulation fellowship specific policies and procedures.*
  - i. Provide Fellowship Program specific policies. These should include at a minimum, the policies/procedures listed below:
    1. Fellowship Program recruitment
    2. Fellowship Program outcome/expectations

### 2. PROGRAM RESOURCES

- a. *The Simulation Program has a designated individual responsible for providing oversight of the Fellowship Program.*
  - i. Provide job description and/or other descriptive documents for the individual.
  - ii. Provide the biosketch for the individual
  - iii. Describe how the individual is qualified for oversight of the Fellowship Program.
  - iv. Describe how the individual has dedicated time to meet the need of the program.
- b. *The Fellowship Program has adequate faculty/educators/subject matter experts to support its mission/vision.*

- i. Describe the duties of the faculty/educators/subject matter experts roles and responsibilities
  - ii. Provide accreditation biosketches for all faculty/educators subject matter experts.
  - iii. Provide a brief narrative that describes how each is qualified for their position, including any applicable certifications, experience and expertise.
  - iv. Describe how the Fellowship Program has access to faculty/educators/subject matter experts to support the mission/vision of the Fellowship Program
  - v. Describe how the faculty/educators/subject matter experts are oriented to their roles
  - vi. Describe the ongoing evaluation and feedback process for Program faculty.
- c. *The Fellowship Program has adequate staff to support its mission/vision*
  - i. Describe the duties of the Program staff roles and responsibilities
  - ii. Provide accreditation biosketches for all staff
  - iii. Describe how each staff is qualified to participate
  - iv. Describe how program staff are oriented to their roles
  - v. Describe the ongoing evaluation and feedback process for program staff
- d. *The Fellowship Program provides access to a mentor(s) to support the fellow*
  - i. Describe how the Fellowship Program has access to sufficient mentors to support the fellow
  - ii. Describe how mentors support the fellows
  - iii. Provide a list of the most active mentors (maximum of 10). Onsite reviewers will choose three (3) mentors to review.
  - iv. Provide accreditation biosketches for your most active Fellowship Program mentors (maximum of 5)
  - v. Describe how each mentor is qualified as a content expert for their role, including any applicable certifications, experience and expertise
  - vi. Describe how Fellowship Program mentors are oriented to their roles
  - vii. The simulation program has a process to assure ongoing development and competence of its mentors, at least annually
  - viii. Document the ongoing evaluation and feedback process for program mentors

### 3. EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES

- a. *The Fellowship Program is committed to providing high-quality learning activities according to simulation best practices*
  - i. Provide the Fellowship Program curriculum.
  - ii. Describe how the program links its simulation fellowship curriculum to the program's mission and vision.
  - iii. Describe the process used to identify learning objectives/outcomes for the Fellowship program
  - iv. Describe how the educational activities of the Fellowship Program are designed.
  - v. Provide documentation of simulation fellowship customized/individualized activities in any of the following areas: e.g., Education, Technology, Administration, Research (maximum of 3)
- b. *There is a documented process for orienting new fellows.*
  - i. Describe the orientation process for new fellows
- c. *There is a documented process for assessing individual fellows*
  - i. Describe the process for assessing individual fellows

#### **4. SCHOLARSHIP**

- a. The Fellowship Program has a mechanism in place for the fellows to participate in scholarly activities that align with the mission and vision of the program.*
  - i. Describe the process for fellows to participate in activities that demonstrate scholarship
  - ii. Describe how the scholarship activities are evaluated in a systematic and routine manner
  - iii. Provide a list of up to 5 scholarly/capstone projects completed by the fellows

#### **5. PROGRAM EVALUATION AND IMPROVEMENT**

- a. The Simulation Fellowship Program has mechanisms in place for process improvement.*
  - i. Document or describe the quality management and/or continuous improvement process
  - ii. Provide examples of changes implemented based on the fellowship activity review process
  - iii. Describe the process to address concerns and complaints