

So You Think You Can't Simulate Mental Health Issues?

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Objectives

- Describe the process of making mental health simulations come to life
- Discuss development of simulated clinical experience
- Demonstration of Alcohol Withdrawal simulated clinical experience

Choosing the topic

- Looked at mental health issues
- Common issues
- Issues are relevant to our students
- Anxiety/Panic disorder and Alcohol Withdrawal

Topic Development

- Met with mental health experts on the faculty
- Discussed topics, final decision made
- Researched topic

Scenario Development

- Following the CIWA-Ar
- Developed the simulated clinical experience in an inpatient setting
- We wanted the student recognize and react to the changes that occur with an unexpected withdrawal

Scenario Development

- Potential for severe reaction if the symptoms are not addressed early

- Patient transferred to ICU in the final state

Future

- Simulated the METI PNCI format for simulated clinical experience
- Plan on developing a simulated clinical experience for anxiety/panic disorder
- By developing this scenario, we obtained a better understanding of writing scenarios and of the PNCI curriculum