

Jump Simulation Among Top Simulation Centers in the World

Jump Simulation, a part of OSF Innovation and the largest purpose built simulation and health care engineering center in the world, recently received accreditation by the Society for Simulation in Healthcare (SSH), an international organization that seeks to improve performance and reduce errors in patient care through the use of simulation.

Jump is one of 20 centers around the world to obtain accreditation in five areas of distinction. These include achievement in structural and operational standards, ability to assess simulations, commitment to simulation research activities, demonstration of high-quality simulation education and alignment of simulation programs with the organizational goals of OSF HealthCare and University of Illinois College of Medicine Peoria.

“It validates what we believe to be true, which is that we are doing impactful work for OSF HealthCare and for the University of Illinois,” said John Vozenilek, MD, vice president and chief medical officer for simulation, Jump.

SSH John Vozenilek-1 :11 ...University of Illinois.”

The SSH Accreditation commended Jump as a leader in studying emerging trends in simulation research activities and developing technology advancements for enhanced simulation education. SSH also acknowledged Jump for adopting a new way to prove the monetary and non-monetary values of simulation education.

“As simulation-based education is growing more prominent in medical education, it’s important for both instructors, managers and executives to see the positive impact it currently has and can have as those programs grow,” said Earl PowerMurphy, simulation program development specialist, Jump.

SSH Earl PowerMurphy-1 :19 ...programs grow.

PowerMurphy says as more organizations collaborate with Jump to adopt this measurement of value, the more likely simulation education will advance and open the doors for further innovation in the field. That’s an area Dr. Vozenilek wants to continue to explore with the 19 other simulation centers that have similar accredited programs.

“If we’re truly going to prove the value of simulation in health care, we’re going to need a lot of data from a lot of different centers,” said Vozenilek. “To identify with those centers doing work like ours is super valuable.”

SSH John Vozenilek-2 :15 ...super valuable.

The designation comes after a six month application process and as Jump celebrates its fifth year of operation.

“Being with Jump since the beginning, we started as a tiny department. There were only five people on board and we’ve really built and grown,” said Noël Adams, Director of Operations, Jump. “Strategically, we wanted to do that as a world class center and getting this accreditation reflects all of the hard work that we’ve put in and there’s a great deal of pride associated.

SSH Noel Adams-1 :20 ...pride associated.

The accreditation is in place for five years with annual proof of maintenance and improvement. There are more than 100 simulation centers in the world with some form of SSH Accreditation.