The 2020 first-year resident group had a faster mean time to completion on first attempt than the 2021 second-year resident group, but the rate of improvement was significantly fast for the second-year group (p=0.24).

Conclusion: Additional repetition beyond the ACGME-endorsed three cricothyrotomy attempts may help increase proficiency. Periodic retraining may be important to maintain skills.

Innovation Abstracts

1  
A Novel Pediatric Resuscitation Simulation and Procedures Curriculum for Emergency Medicine Residents

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Introduction: Pediatric resuscitation is a vital skill in emergency medicine (EM). However, EM residents have varied exposure to pediatric critical care, and not all graduating residents reach competence in pediatric resuscitation and procedures. A limited number of curricula on these topics have been described in literature, and more are needed to accommodate the diverse characteristics of resident learners. We present a new pediatric airway and resuscitation curriculum for EM residents. Educational

Objectives: By the end of the curriculum, learners will be able to perform pediatric intubation, jet ventilation, and neonatal warmer set-up on a simulated model. There will be an increase in perceived preparedness and comfort in managing neonatal shock and pediatric respiratory distress.

Curricular Design: Based on an internal needs assessment which identified gaps in pediatric critical care education, we developed a four-hour resident workshop using flipped classroom and simulation instructional methods. Flipped classrooms paired with case-based discussions promote active higher-order learning ideal for complex subjects. Simulation allows for experiential learning of high stakes topics in a safe environment. We began with two pediatric case-based small group discussions. Residents then rotated through two resuscitation simulations and skill stations for pediatric jet ventilation, intubation, and neonatal warmer set-up. We surveyed the residents to evaluate the impact of the curriculum on preparedness and comfort in resuscitation and procedural skills.

Impact: Among 18 residents, there was significant improvement in perceived preparedness and comfort in managing pediatric resuscitations and performing airway procedures (p<0.0005). We continue to improve this program based on resident feedback. With varied training and exposure to pediatric critical care in EM, this curriculum offers residency educators a new resource to teach resuscitation and procedural skills.

2  
Mission-Driven Individual Learning Plans: A Recipe for Resident Growth

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Background: In working towards competency-based education, the ACGME now expects residency programs to utilize individualized learning plans (ILP) for all residents. While used in remediation, best practices when using ILP’s more broadly has not been defined. In addition, the ACGME expects residencies to have mission statements that articulate the unique value it brings to learners. There is an opportunity to align a program’s mission with the ILP. Our program developed an ILP and coaching program with prompts that anchor the residents’ reflections on their progress through residency to the program’s unique mission.

Objectives: The innovation’s objectives include: 1) Develop residents’ reflection on their clinical abilities with a growth orientation. 2) Align residents’ growth and progression
through residency with the clearly articulated program mission.

3. Increase the number of realistic and achievable clinical goals set by residents as they approach independent practice.

**Curricular Design:** Our residency leadership team developed an ILP tool that prompts residents to reflect on their opportunities for growth in context of our program’s mission statement. Our program organized a novel ILP around our three pillars of EM: expert diagnostician, master resuscitationist, and skilled advocate. This creates a scaffold on which the residents can build goals beyond longer-term career goals. To further support self-reflection and goal setting we paired the ILP with a clinical coaching program. Faculty-resident pairs reviewed and refined resident ILP’s in advance of their semi-annual residency leadership meeting.

**Impact:** Early feedback from faculty coaches and learners has been uniformly positive as the tool seems to better guide self-reflection in context of the program’s values. In addition, the tool and coaching program have enhanced residents’ abilities to set meaningful goals to move their clinical skills forward that are more specific and attainable.

### 3

**A Design-Thinking Framework to Develop a Successful-Student Led Academic Conference**

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**Introduction/Background:** Within a pre-clinical design-thinking course, medical students created a student-led academic medical conference. Throughout the course, students researched and developed ideas to improve acute sepsis diagnosis and care, mentored by emergency medicine physicians. Using the “design-thinking” methodology practiced through their course, students organized and executed all facets of an academic conference to pilot a new venue for capstone presentations and demonstrate the design process.

**Educational Objectives:** This conference planning process supported LCME educational performance objectives related to presenting research. The stepwise process discussed here may be used as a model for others wishing to mentor students to create an academic conference complementary to their programs and create leadership opportunities for students.

**Curricular Design:** Students self-organized into teams and ideated on components of a successful conference. Design thinking cycles of ideation, iteration, and implementation served as a basis for planning. In addition to serving as a vehicle for students to present their capstone research, the conference was a formative learning experience for students in academic event management and leadership. Students reflected on teamwork following the experience via a debrief.

**Impact/effectiveness:** Planning efforts culminated with the hybrid “Redesigning Sepsis Care” academic conference. Students coordinated all logistical aspects of planning, including invitations, graphic collateral, promotion, speaker management, run-of-show, and project management. Student