Simulation in Nursing Education: A Call to Action

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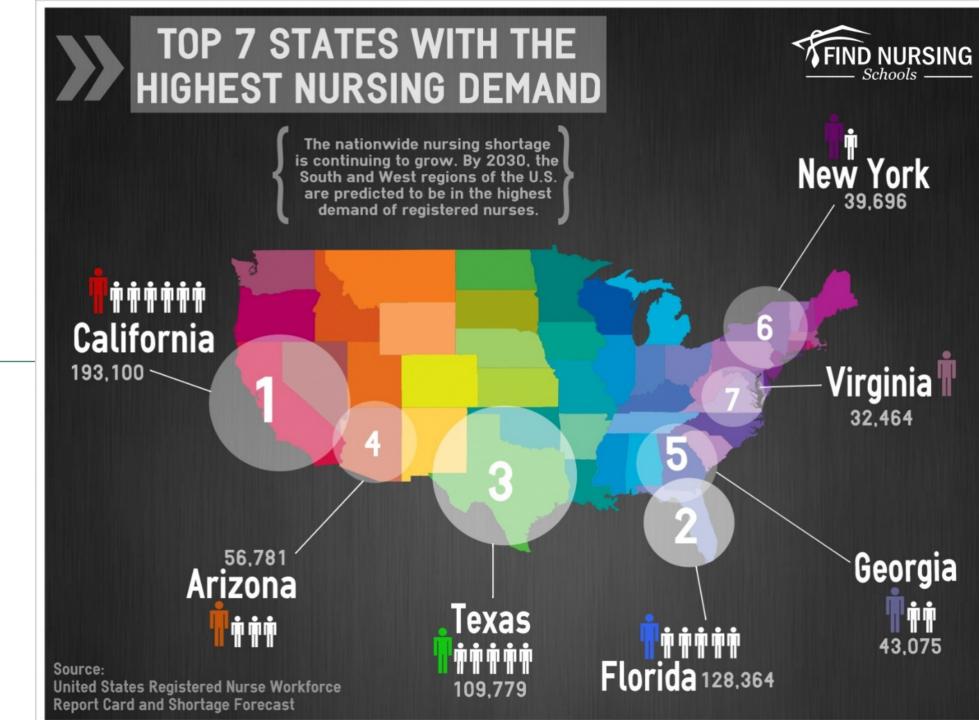


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The nursing profession has the potential capacity to implement wide-reaching changes in the health care system.

WITH MORE THAN 3 MILLION MEMBERS,

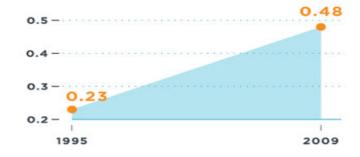
NURSES REPRESENT THE LARGEST SEGMENT OF THE U.S. HEALTH CARE WORKFORCE.

TRANSFORMING PRACTICE

NURSES AND PRIMARY CARE

Nurses provide primary care services across the spectrum of health care settings. The range of possibilities for nurses providing primary care is significant, and their capacity for filling these roles is not always recognized.

Numbers of nurse practitioners and physician assistants are steadily INCREASING.



BETWEEN 1995 AND 2009, THE NUMBER OF NURSE PRACTITIONERS PER PRIMARY CARE MD MORE THAN DOUBLED, from 0.23 to 0.48. The number of physician assistants per primary care MD also increased.

Numbers of medical students and residents entering primary care are DECREASING.



A 2008 SURVEY OF MEDICAL STUDENTS FOUND

ONLY 2% PLANNED CAREERS
IN GENERAL INTERNAL MEDICINE.

IT IS POSSIBLE TO INCREASE THE SUPPLY OF BOTH NPS AND PAS IN A RELATIVELY SHORT AMOUNT OF TIME, HELPING TO MEET AN INCREASED DEMAND FOR CARE, INCLUDING CARING FOR UP TO 32 MILLION PREVIOUSLY UNINSURED AMERICANS.

NURSES SHOULD PRACTICE TO THE FULL EXTENT OF THEIR EDUCATION AND TRAINING.

Success Stories!





Our simulation hospital!







Women and Children's Health



- Labor & Delivery
- Neonatal ICU
- Pediatric ICU





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Four Operating Rooms



Anatomage® Table



Medical – Surgical Floor/ICU

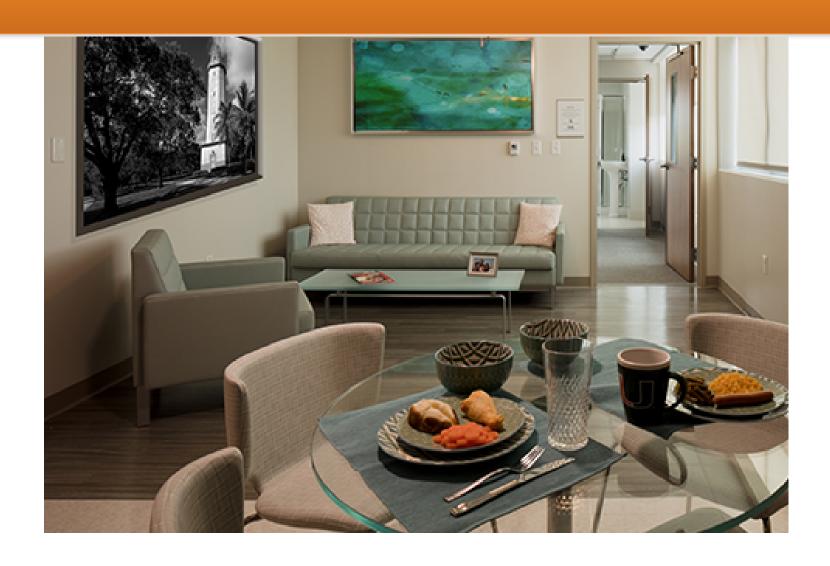








Transitional Care/Home Care





Highlights



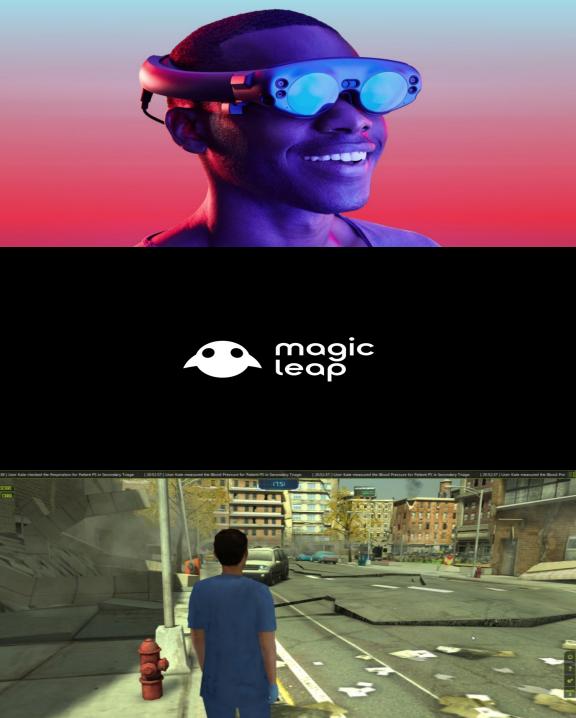




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Virtual Sim and Virtual Reality





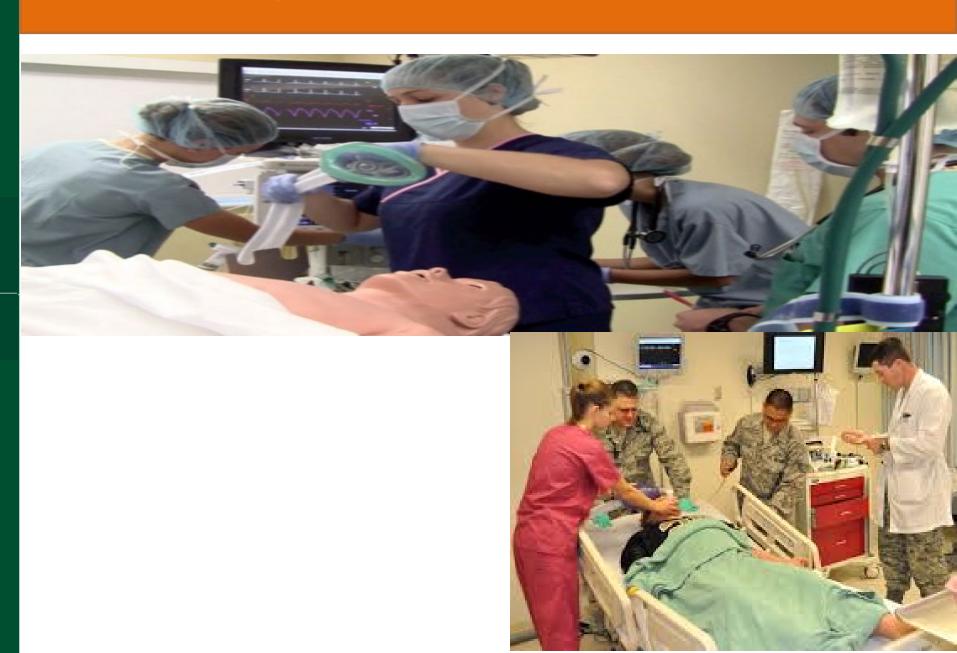
Disaster Preparedness





Interprofessional Education





Handover and Transport





Cultural Humility



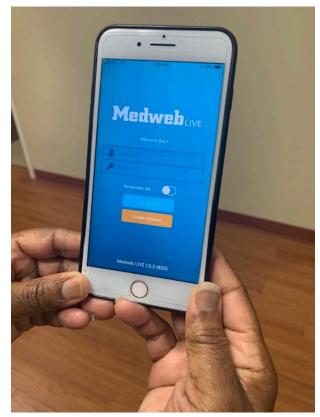


Telehealth

Medweb







Family Caregiver Education











Challenges

- Shortages
 - Registered Nurses
 - Nurse Educators
 - Clinical Sites

- Rapidly changing technology
- Major gaps in readiness for practice
- Expanding roles without the technology and infrastructure



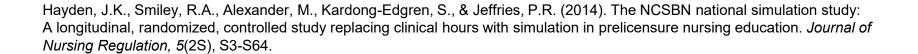


Simulation: The Evidence



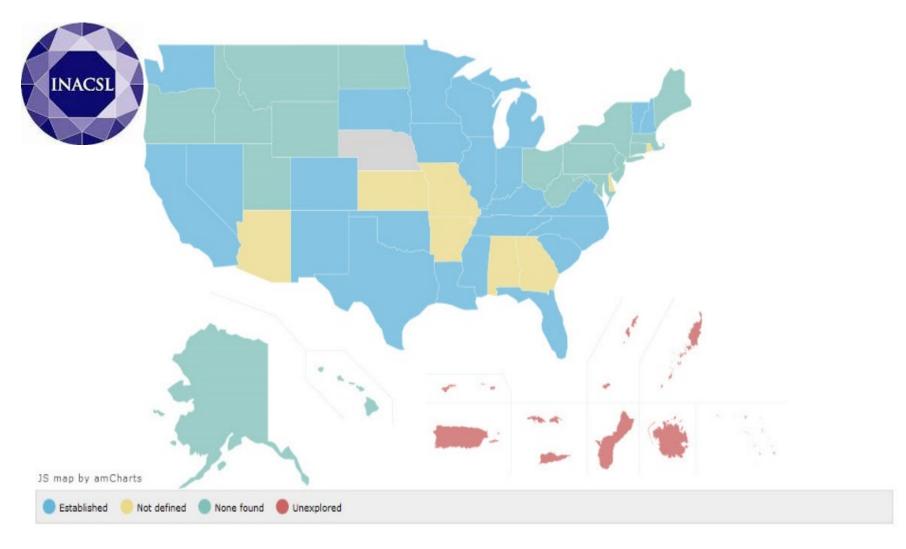
 Up to 50% of clinical can be substituted with simulation







State Boards of Nursing









Call to Action

Support

- Standardize policy across State Boards of Nursing to allow up to 50% of clinical in simulation
- Prioritize development of simulation programs in rural educational programs
- Faculty training and development
- Nursing to work to their full scope of practice as they transition to bridge shortages in primary care

Appropriations

- Nursing Workforce Development
- Nurse Residency Programs
- Nurse Faculty Loan Program
- Health Professions Education and Training
- Simulation & Technology









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