POSTER #23 - A SAGE Collaboration: Educator Perspectives on Integrating Volunteers into a Simulation Program

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DESCRIPTION:

This poster explains how educators partnered with volunteers to pilot a volunteer-based standardized participant program to meet the geriatric-focused educational needs of staff, students and educators as part of SAGE: Simulation Activities for Gerontological Education. A standardized participant (also known as a standardized patient) is an individual trained to portray a real patient, family or staff member. Standardized participants provide instructors and learners with opportunities to learn, assess and refine a variety of skills through simulation. Simulation is a teaching methodology to help achieve educational goals. Educators describe educational resources and processes needed to support the endeavor as well as lessons learned.