Use of a "Standardized Patient" for Competency Validation.

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LEARNER OBJECTIVES

Acquire knowledge to:
- Design a competency-based orientation for the novice sexual assault nurse examiner (SANE)
- Utilize a SP for simulation
- Develop a performance-based validation tool

BACKGROUND

Problem: Struggle to achieve orientation and demonstrated competency of SANEs related to:
- Limited dollars for learning resources (live and self-learning)
- Challenges related to attaining real-time clinical learning opportunities and demonstrating skills

Consequence: Sexual assault exams performed by physicians instead of specialty trained SANE nurses

OUTCOMES

- ↑ number of SANEs - from 15 to 24 over 3 years
- ↓ in exams by physicians
- ↓ length of clinical competency validations from 12-14 months to 4-12 months

IMPLICATIONS

Simulation with an SP can be utilized as a learning opportunity and demonstration of competency for a wide variety of clinical skills.

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