This month NYSIM is excited to share a new original research article published in *Simulation and Gaming* by two of our directors, Grace Ng and Daniel Lugassy!

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Effective debriefing of simulation-based experiences is critical for learning. In this qualitative study, the researchers examined how health professions instructors approach debriefing when they are new to debriefing simulation-based experiences. The findings of this study shed light on debriefers’ expertise development at the novice stage. After you read our study, please do drop us a line to let us know what you think!

**NYSIM Highlights : Welcoming 2021**

As we enter into this New Year, NYSIM extends our deep appreciation to everyone in our community for helping us meet the unprecedented challenges of 2020. Every step of the way, our staff, leadership, faculty, and learners worked together to ensure safe and effective learning was prioritized and facilitated. We are so proud of the teamwork, problem solving, innovation, and dedication shown in 2020. Thank you!

As we step forward into 2021, we maintain our commitment to safety. Please see page 2 for our updated COVID-19 operational procedures.
The New York Simulation Center (NYSIM) is committed to supporting safe operations for all learners, faculty & staff.

Please note the following operational changes in order to support safe operating procedures:

1. All educational programs already scheduled from effective date to January 15, 2021 will be reviewed, it may necessitate a re-intake meeting to re-design the program to keep faculty, learners and staff safe to the guidelines below
2. All individuals entering Bellevue Hospital (therefore NYSIM) will require a temperature check in the Bellevue Lobby. Individuals may also be required to complete a symptom check
3. All individuals will be required to use hand sanitizer as they enter NYSIM, and continue to follow good hand hygiene while in NYSIM
4. All individuals will be asked to practice social distancing when possible and remain at least six feet apart even when wearing masks
5. Surgical masks must be worn at all times while in NYSIM, unless alone in a closed room
6. All individuals will be asked to report directly into the simulation rooms and not congregate at the front desk. The sitting area is closed.
7. No food or drink is permitted. All individuals will be asked to store any food/drink in a locker, or throw it away.
8. NYSIM will adhere to recommended individual numbers per space which are posted throughout the simulation center.
9. In our larger simulation spaces NYSIM will allow a learner + faculty maximum of 9 individuals

NYSIM will work with scheduled programs to adhere to the precautions above. If anyone has any questions/concerns they should contact NYSIM@nyulangone.org. Leadership at NYSIM will respond promptly to the email.

Thank you,
NYSIM Team
Comments, suggestions and questions to NYSIM@nyulangone.org are always welcome to create a better learning and teaching environment for our faculty and learners.

**NYSIM Instructor Course 2021**

The 3-day NYSIM Instructor Course focuses on debriefing skills and simulation design. Sessions include Objective Oriented Debriefing, Advanced Debriefing Topics and Simulation Scenario Design. The course will continue to be held live and onsite at NYSIM, implementing safety guidelines that can be found on the NYSIM website (http://nysimcenter.org/).

Participants are required to wear surgical masks, and if you do not have one, it will be provided.

**2021 Sessions:**

March 1-13, Monday through Wednesday - Registration Open
July 11-15, Tuesday through Thursday - Registration Open
August, 9-11, Monday through Wednesday - Registration Open
November 16-18, Tuesday through Thursday - Registration Open

We apologize: please be advised that the January 26-28 and February 16-18 courses are cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances.

To request a spot click the following link: http://www.nysimcenter.org/courses/instructor-courses

You will be contacted by Soma Roy (Soma.Roy@nyulangone.org) to confirm your registration. If the course is full, you will be notified of waitlist status. Please email Soma Roy with any questions.