**‘Can somebody find the defibrillator?’ A workshop on the evidence, resources and how to get started for whole-of-practice in-situ emergency skills training.**

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**Background**

Managing a medical emergency in general practice requires more than just clinical knowledge; it demands a high level of teamwork, communication, leadership, organisation and efficient practice systems.1,2 Traditional emergency skills training has focused only on clinical knowledge through separate resuscitation courses for doctors, nurses and receptionists.3,4 In situ simulation involves the whole practice team in their own environment with their own equipment. In-situ simulation has been consistently well received by participants, who have reported improved confidence, communication, teamwork, leadership and trust.1,5–9 It has also exposed critical flaws in practice procedures, availability of equipment, ability of staff to use equipment and access to emergency guidelines.1,6,9,10 It is hoped that wider adoption of in situ simulation can be used to drive quality improvement in primary care systems.

**Aims**

The workshop aims to synthesise the evidence for whole-of-practice in-situ emergency simulation training in general practice, as well as to share resources and build a support network for general practices to develop in-situ simulation training.

**Method**

A collaborative working group of GPs from Australia and the United Kingdom have developed an interactive workshop including a mix of short formal presentations, demonstration, question/answer and live polling to inspire participants and support wider adoption of in-situ simulation training in general practice.

**Results**

Workshop participants will come away with a framework and a toolkit of resources to support their own practice in developing in-situ simulation training, including scenarios, cognitive aides, debriefing skills and inexpensive simulation equipment. In addition, participants will be invited to join a network of simulation enthusiasts for ongoing support.

**Conclusion**

Future emergency skills training must move beyond siloed courses for doctors, nurses and receptionists, towards training the whole practice team with their own equipment and in their own practice environment.

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