CORE MEDICINE SCENARIOS GUIDE

BACKGROUND

This scenario library has been created with funding and support of the NHS Health Education Thames Valley (HETV), which supports a number of Simulation Fellowship projects every year. This project led to the design and creation of this training resource, consisting of 13 simulation scenarios that have been mapped to the Specialty Training Curriculum for Core Medical Training (August 2009 with amendments August 2012) by the Joint Royal Colleges of Physicians Training Board (JRCPTB). All the scenarios are designed to a standard generic template, including a graphical display of the scenario events. This graphical display includes colour-coded pathways allowing for difficulty to be adjusted to suit the participant.

The library covers the geriatric medicine section of the JRCPTB core medicine curriculum, and has been designed with Core Medical Trainees in mind. Most scenarios are aimed at basic level trainees in their first 2 years of general medical training (Core Medical Trainees, and ACCS trainees) with the expectation of a more experienced trainee joining the scenario as their in-scenario help. The scenarios are designed with several options of difficulty level, allowing trainees of different ability and experience to be challenged. Many of the scenarios could also be used for training different specialties or more junior trainees, such as Foundation doctors and medical students with minimal modification.

The scenarios require demonstration of core medical technical skills, but will also allow participants to display leadership and non-technical skills, and can be utilised for the education of more senior trainees, or with some modification, for team-based training.

Each scenario is comprised of background material, sufficient information for faculty to prepare for and conduct the scenario, and a resource section for the participants. All the references in each scenario are freely available, and an electronic link is provided. Any peripheral material useful for running the scenario, such as simulated observation charts, anaesthetic charts, drug charts, etc. would need to be provided locally.

The algorithmic approach to scenario design with text-boxes for “expected actions” serves as a guide for faculty, in order to facilitate the post-scenario debrief. The “expected actions” are only guidelines, and may be modified according to local policy and preference.

LIST OF SCENARIO TOPICS

Geriatrics 1:  Aspiration Pneumonia in Parkinson’s Disease
Geriatrics 2:  Continence
Geriatrics 3:  Delirium
Geriatrics 4:  End of Life Care
Geriatrics 5:  Falls Risk Assessment (ED)
Geriatrics 6:  Falls Risk Assessment (Clinic)
Geriatrics 7:  Hypothermia
Geriatrics 8:  Malnutrition / Refeeding Syndrome
Geriatrics 9:  Malnutrition
Geriatrics 10: Stroke (Ward)
Geriatrics 11: Stroke (Thrombolysis)
Geriatrics 12: Ulcers & Pressure Areas
Geriatrics 13: Unwitnessed fall
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