



I.C.U. TEAM SKILLS

I. OBJECTIVES

By the end of this laboratory session participants should be able to . . .

1. Understand concepts vital to team performance including leadership, communication and cooperation
2. Understand their role in an efficient SICU team

II. ASSUMPTIONS

Successful completion of Basic Open Surgical and Critical Care Skills modules

III. SUGGESTED READING

1. Review Critical Care Module of Surgical Skills Course (Blackboard)
2. Surviving septic shock guidelines (Dellinger, et al) in ICU Manual

IV. ANATOMICAL CONSIDERATION

Review procedures for performing critical care skills such as insertion of central venous catheters, tube thoracostomy, etc.

V. DESCRIPTION OF LABORATORY MODULE

Residents, under observation by attending Trauma Surgery/Critical Care faculty, will work as a team to care for a simulated SICU patient.

VI. DESCRIPTION OF TECHNIQUE/PROCEDURE

1. Residents will be assigned to SICU teams consisting of a PGY-2 and PGY-1.
2. Team members will respond to symptoms presented by simulated patient.
3. Upon completion of exercise, team will be debriefed by attending faculty observer(s).

VII. EQUIPMENT NEEDED

1. Simulated SICU area including ventilator and nurses station
2. SimMan

VIII. REFERENCES

1. Crit Care Med. 2004 Mar;32(3):858-73.
2. Crit Care Med. 2008 Jan;36(1):296-327.