#### A PANTS DAY...

Wessex School of Surgery Human Factors Team

# AIMS OF THE WORKSHOP

Understand what non technical skills (NTS) & human factors are and the differences

Have an idea about how to plan a NTS based simulation

Take home some tips on the priorities of planning and preparing such scenarios, and how to avoid pitfalls

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# WHAT IS PANTS

Practical Application of Non Technical Skills

Based on a day in the emergency theatres allowing the course to be multi-specialty / pan surgical

Full course run 4 times plus a number of shorter versions

An example scenario involves a candidate fixated on a task and subsequently not appreciating the deterioration of the patient



# **GROUND RULES**

The single biggest problem in communication is the illusion that it has taken place George Bernard Shaw

We will be asking you to provide feedback to each other; please respect each others confidence

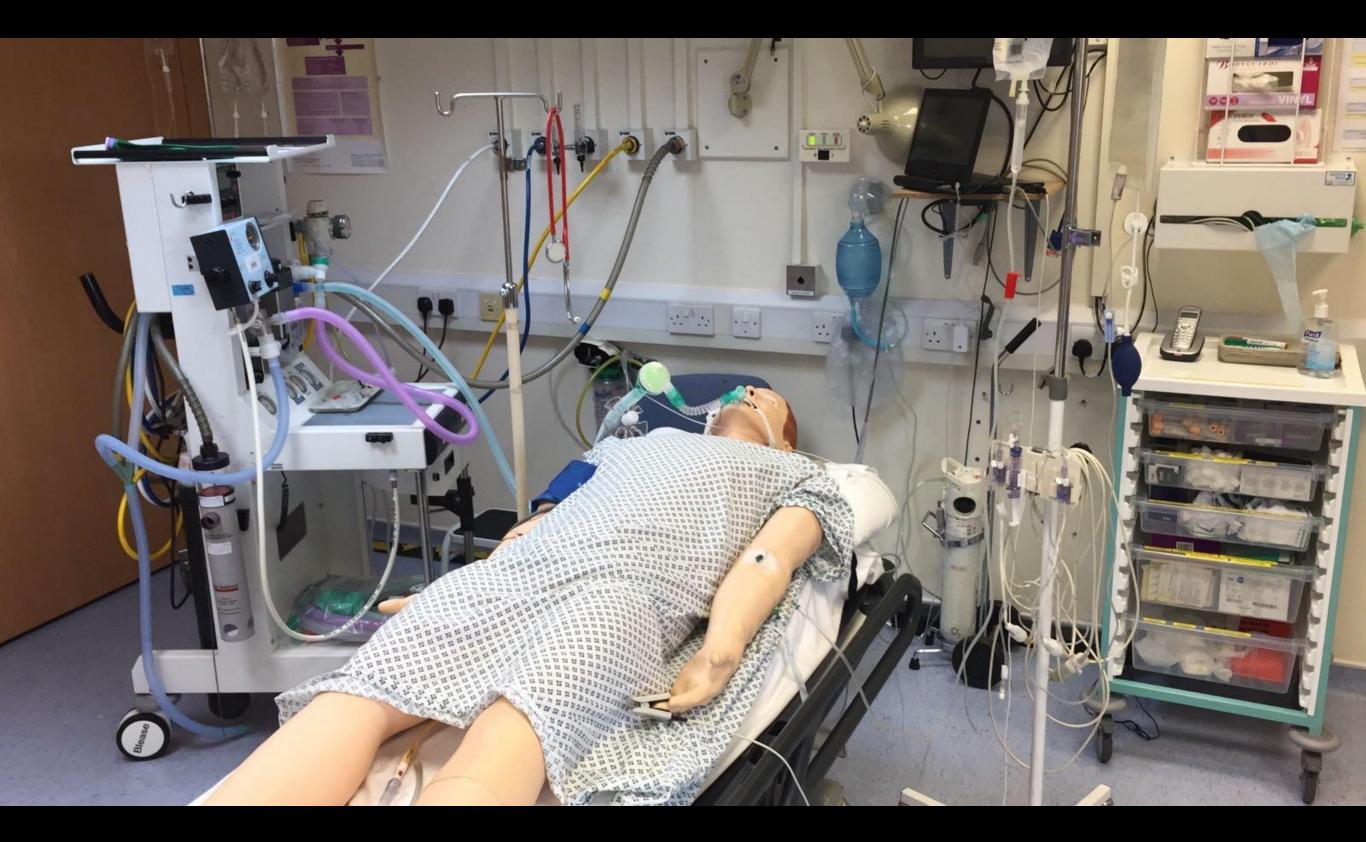
# SIMULATION SCENARIO PLANNING

Please get into groups and with the simulation scenario planner sheets provided, start to put together a plan for a non-technical skills based scenario

Have a think about situations that you have experienced at work – where errors or near misses have occurred with a NTS element

One of us will join each group to facilitate discussion and answer any questions





# SCENARIO DISCUSSIONS

We would like each group to present an outline of their scenario, to be followed by discussion and feedback from the other groups and the facilitators

## WHAT HAVE WE LEARNT...?

- Start with some ground rules and plan these carefully
- What is the point i.e. the learning objective of your scenario? You need to be really clear on this when planning it
- The learning objective should be emphasised during debrief
- Keep the scenario simple especially clinically; the aim is not to run a resus or trauma scenario
- All scenarios should be as realistic as possible and run in real time
- Candidates and ideally faculty should 'be themselves' avoid role play where possible

## WHAT HAVE WE LEARNT...?

- Don't plan too many scenarios in one day, we tend to run 4 main ones and 2 'mini' ones
- Consider your learners and adapt the scenario for them
- Most of the learning occurs during the debrief allow a LOT of time for this
- This also means that it doesn't matter if not all candidates are directly involved in a scenario
- The debrief almost seems to be like therapy for candidates – many of them have never had an opportunity to discuss similar situations they have experienced
- A high faculty to candidate ratio really helps

# WHAT HAVE WE LEARNT...?

- Keep the feedback direct and specific, then move on to general debrief and discussion
- Embed faculty within the candidates who are observing the scenario, to facilitate discussion
- Location just need an appropriate space
- Money thinking about costs and payment logistics
- Fidelity
- Equipment

# any questions?

#### TEAMWORK

A group of people working together to achieve a common goal

Think about the skills mix available Planning and prioritisation Role / task allocation Identify people by name Co-ordination and oversight Balancing risks

Support the team to share an understanding of the situation, reach a joint decision and then once the plan is communicated clearly, coordinate the response of the team to implement the necessary actions – with a backup plan available if needed