

VAST Course Feedback

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What did you like:

- I was not stressed throughout the learning process, although I thought it would have been tough
- Thank you, you teach me how to teach and how to learn too
- Re-demonstrating a task in a scenario
- You have a great ability to make things easy, simple to understand
- I am sure I will not forget most vital events, as they are imprinted in my memory
- The way challenges were addressed
- Lunch x 2
- The concept of team
- Realistic feeling in actual time
- Team work, especially in the management of obstetric and pediatric cases and the trauma survey
- Systematic approach to patients x 4
- Reassessing patients
- Treat by early recognition and using technical and non-technical skills
- Open and clear communication
- Your interest and responsibility for the course; your communication and relations with us
- Great organization x 2
- Clinical scenarios were relevant
- Importance of debriefing; debriefing
- Encourage use of local language; it helped in expressing ideas
- Mixed involvement of other disciplines
- Big commitment of VAST members
- Crisis management techniques
- Good educational materials
- The challenges we faced as lead participant
- Trauma case presentation; trauma management
- Approach to burn patients
- Avoiding fixation errors
- Shared mental model x 2

Suggestions for improvement:

- The training could have been longer x 3
- You could have told us your experiences (like story telling) then concentrate on pointing out what is important to us
- Better involvement from surgical seniors
- Increase the number of trainers for better caring in our hospital because there are a large number of staff in the OR
- This education is the best education and should be given in other hospitals
- It will be good if you give a pre-test before the morning discussions
- It is anesthesia provider focussed. I hope it will also address the components of the OR team and polytrauma team
- Do such training for others also

- I think it would be better to improve technical skills as well as non-technical skills because sometimes there is an error in technical skills that was not commented on

What can you take away from the course:

- Be confident
- Know what you are doing and do it right away
- Speak clearly and loudly when required, be assertive x 5
- Organizing time
- How to get information on handover; SBAR x 2
- Prioritization
- Delegating tasks x 2
- Non-technical skills will help the staff to do technical skills effectively
- How the staff work together
- The importance of team communication
- How to work in emergency cases, especially in pediatrics and obstetrics
- Organized teamwork in emergency situations
- We should overcome hierarchy x 2
- Graded assertiveness x 3
- Sharing information with the team; responsibility of all team members
- Prioritize the patient
- Consider input from others
- Declare the problem x 2
- Rapid assessment through AMPLE and A-E x 3
- Discussion time is valuable
- You focussed on what went well
- Proper informed consent

Other comments:

- You are wonderful, thank you so much
- Thank you for the opportunity you gave us
- How great it would be if our education system had simulation regularly
- It was very good in all 3 days
- The knowledge I got about non-technical skills will help me to take better care of patients
- It was interesting and enjoyable; I will share my experience and apply it; thank you for what you did for us
- Thanks for the course
- It would be nice if you can facilitate this to be twice a year
- Please train other senior consultants and residents to change tradition which can also be continued by local trainers
- Thank you!!!!!!
- Come again!
- It was interesting. Thank you for your time and energy. I hope you will come up with more training for us.