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The Interprofessional Healthcare Simulation Center (IHSC)

Using simulation to prepare tomorrow’s health care workforce

Students from many health professions programs work during the second annual UNM interprofessional clinical skills competition.
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Our Mission and Vision

The IHSC uses simulation to create an active learning environment that develops clinical skills and builds collaboration among students, faculty and staff.

The IHSC aims to create a culture of mutual respect that models interprofessional values and results in improved health outcomes for all New Mexicans.

The Health Sciences Library and Informatics Center manages the IHSC, which opened in 2010.

IHSC Features

- State-of-the-art technology for outpatient and inpatient clinic simulation, acute-care simulation and health care environments
- High-fidelity mannequins that simulate human functions like breathing, heart rate and pulse to provide a virtually real experience in the Acute Care and Inpatient health care environments
- Technology to observe, record and score clinical skills such as history taking, physical examination and communication
- Simulation for learning and assessment of patient encounters using people from the community who are trained to portray clinic scenarios in a realistic way
- A model pharmacy and pharmaceutical lab designed for teaching and learning clinical pharmacy skills and patient education techniques

How to Reserve IHSC Space

Faculty and staff who are affiliated with UNM departments can schedule rooms within the IHSC. For details, see the Scheduling IHSC Rooms webpage at hslic.unm.edu/ihsc/. The IHSC is a locked facility and requires badge access.

Future Expansion

In 2015, New Mexico Gov. Susana Martinez signed a capital outlay bill that provides funding to construct Phase III of the Domenici Center. This final phase, to be completed in 2017, will add 65,000 square feet of large classrooms for active learning, laboratories, simulation and student study space.