Mayo Multidisciplinary Simulation Center Endorsed by the American Society of Anesthesiologists

A 2009 survey of anesthesiologists completed by the ASA showed that anesthesiologists want and need to obtain high-quality simulation training. The ASA supports the specialty’s growing desire for high-quality simulation training centers through its Simulation Education Network endorsement program.

For five years, the Mayo Multidisciplinary Simulation Center has been providing high-caliber education opportunities and that is why we felt it was important to obtain the ASA-endorsement. Increasingly, the evidence suggests that simulation education can have a positive impact on patient safety and quality of care, making this endorsement good news for the average patient as well as the physician. Anesthesiology has traditionally been at the forefront of simulation research and training, and ASA’s leadership in establishing the endorsement program reinforces that this type of training remains a top-priority for the specialty.

The approval process for endorsement is extensive including ASA’s review of the center’s mission, educational offerings, curriculum development, instructor and course effectiveness, program leadership, and infrastructure.

For additional information on the program, please visit ASA’s website. The ASA also provides links to related organizations.