

“Get SLA Ready!”

Inspire SLA Preparedness Course

Modules Overview for Assessment Takers

Introduction to Simulation and the Simulation Lab Assessment (SLA)

This module will introduce you to: what simulation is, why it is used as an assessment tool, and what to expect during your Simulation Lab Assessment.

Preparing for the SLA

This module introduces the internal (Inspire) and external (other official organizations) resources available for preparation. We also provide you with some tips on how to prepare for your SLA.

General SLA Guidelines

This module introduces the Simulation Lab Assessment (SLA) including what to expect before, during, and after your SLA. You will have the opportunity to complete an SLA Do's and Don'ts knowledge check.

Registered Psychiatric Nurse SLA (Optional Module)

The Registered Psychiatric Nursing SLA has a slightly different format than other occupations. If you are being assessed for RPN, review this module to ensure you are prepared for the RPN-specific SLA. *Other professions can skip this module.*

Virtual Lab Tours

You will have an opportunity to take a virtual tour of basic and advanced care assessment rooms. You will be able to explore lab spaces, check out the types of equipment that you might be exposed to, and view a recording from some of the people you will meet at the SLA.

SLA Time Management

This module prepares you for time management during your SLA, offer some tips to best use your time, and helps you to feel prepared for the flow of the SLA day. This aims to support you to effectively use the available time to best demonstrate your skills.

Working with your Assessor

This module explores the role of the Assessor and how to interact with them—including how to respond to Assessor prompts (comments) during the SLA. It includes an interactive knowledge check focusing on reacting to Assessor prompts.

Working with Standardized Patients

In this module you will learn about Standardized Patients (SP), what you can expect from an SP, and how to work with them during your SLA. It includes an interactive Do's and Don'ts activity.

Working with Manikins

This module explores what to expect when working with patient simulators – more commonly referred to as manikins. You will have an opportunity to learn about what you can and cannot do with these manikins during the SLA.

Caring for your Health and Wellness Before, During, and After your SLA

This module provides you with ideas for caring for your health and wellness before, during, and after your SLA. The module acknowledges the emotions that can come with this type of high-stakes assessment and encourages self-care.

Summary

This module closes the course, summarizes learning, and provides you with an opportunity to provide feedback about the course for future improvements.