

NUS-Priority Research In Medical Education

Training Nurses to Perform Water Swallow Test with Use of Standardised Patients



During the COVID-19 outbreak in Singapore, there was an urgent demand to train more nurses within a short timeframe to perform the Water Swallow Test (WST) at ICU and NCID wards. The previous training model which involved training with actual patients was time-consuming and was not aligned with the hospital's segregation policy. Hence, the model was revamped and standardised patients (SPs) were engaged for nurses' training. In this presentation, we will share about our study which investigated nurses' feedback about the new training model and compared the efficiency and learner-reported outcomes of the previous and new models.

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Melissa graduated from the University of Sydney and has been working as a Speech Therapist at TTSH for 6 years. She is in charge of running the Train-the-Trainer program to equip nurses to perform the Water Swallow Test with patients. She also has a clinical interest in dysphagia and communication disorder management for patients with Parkinson's Disease.

The Perspectives of Health Professionals and Patients on Racism in Healthcare: A Qualitative Systematic Review



This study was inspired by massive anti-racism protests around the world following the unjust death of Mr George Floyd on 25 May 2020. These protests called for greater scrutiny of racial injustices including in the healthcare system. Racism and racial health disparities have been documented widely. To our knowledge, this is the first study to review the perspectives on racism in healthcare from ethnic minorities across different countries. Racial bias was found to manifest in healthcare delivery through the alienation of minority patients, labelling of minority patients and perpetuation of racial fault lines by healthcare providers.

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Registration closes on 31 October 2021.

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20mins pre-recorded presentation +
10mins 'Live' Q&A

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