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# **NUS-Priority Research In Medical Education**

## A Meta-Analysis for Comparing Effective Teaching in Clinical Education



Many factors affect impact on student learning outcomes. However, studies comparing the relative effectiveness of different clinical teaching methods are limited. This presentation identifies teaching-learning factors which characterise efficient teaching in clinical settings by a meta-analysis of 132 articles with effect sizes. Among 16 identified teaching-learning factors, Mastery learning, small group learning and goal setting possessed the largest effect sizes ( $d \ge 0.8$ ). Teachers may use this data to optimise teaching within their individual contexts with the aim of improving learning outcomes in the clinical environment. Incorporating the most effective teaching-learning factors into teaching practices is promising for efficient teaching.

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### Virtual Reality Competency Training and Assessment Tool for Processing of Prescriptions and Medication Orders



Virtual reality (VR) technology is increasingly used in healthcare education to offer an immersive and interactive environment that mimics real world experiences to reinforce didactic and practical concepts. Processing prescriptions and medication orders is one of the core pharmacy activities and part of the National Pharmacy Competency Standards for Pharmacists and Pharmacy Technicians. In line with these competency standards, in February 2020, Department of Pharmacy, SGH embarked on the development of "*Project VR*<sub>X</sub>", a high-fidelity VR Pharmacy Dispensing simulation training program to equip pharmacy staff and trainees with knowledge and skills to process prescriptions and medication orders safely and accurately.

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