

Colquitt Regional Hosts Statewide Simulation Training for Georgia Health Educators

Moultrie, GA — Colquitt Regional Health System, in partnership with the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine (PCOM), recently hosted a statewide simulation training event for faculty from the Technical College System of Georgia (TCSG). Held at Colquitt Regional's state-of-the-art simulation center, the full-day program brought together over 100 clinical educators to advance the quality and effectiveness of healthcare training across Georgia.

Designed for both new and experienced instructors, the hands-on training focused on the use of highfidelity manikins, moulage techniques, and classroom simulation strategies to create immersive learning environments. Participants gained practical skills to plan, implement, and integrate simulation-based instruction into their curriculum—ultimately strengthening the pipeline of well-prepared healthcare professionals.

"This event reflected the power of collaboration and our shared vision for advancing healthcare education across Georgia," said Colquitt Regional President and CEO Jim Matney. "We were honored to welcome educators from across the state to our facility and proud to help equip them with the tools and training needed to shape the next generation of healthcare providers."

Instruction was led by simulation experts from PCOM, a nationally recognized leader in innovative medical education. The PCOM team shared its expertise in helping educators develop diagnostic and procedural skills in a safe, supportive setting.

"PCOM's simulation center team advances medical education through experiential learning and assessments," said PCOM South Georgia Chief of Campus Operations Joanne M. Jones. "Our educational sessions for the Technical College System of Georgia demonstrate the use of simulation in multiple healthcare fields and aim to further enhance how simulation can be incorporated in TCSG curriculum. These hands-on sessions cover simulation activity logistics, assessment, data gathering and analysis. Thanks to our longstanding partnership with Colquitt Regional Health System, we can demonstrate how simulation promotes excellent clinical practice."

Participants rotated through a series of focused training stations, including classroom instruction on simulation setup and debriefing techniques, scenario-based simulation training, manikin care and handling workshops, and a moulage station demonstrating realistic wound creation and scenario design.

"The Simulation Summit marks a transformative step forward in how we prepare our healthcare students for the real world," said Assistant Commissioner Ben McCumber of the Technical College System of Georgia. "By investing in faculty development and leveraging strong partnerships with Colquitt Regional Health System and PCOM, we're not only enhancing the quality of simulation-based instruction but also reinforcing our commitment to excellence and innovation across all TCSG health programs."

The event underscored the collective commitment of Colquitt Regional, PCOM, and TCSG to elevate healthcare education through experiential learning that directly benefits students—and the patients they will one day serve.

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