EPIC: Interdisciplinary Teaching & Learning Pilot Update
Friday, April 17, 2015 with Rhonda Sparks, M.D., Medical Director, Clinical Skills Education and Simulation Center, and Dale Bratzler, D.O., M.P.H., Professor and Associate Dean, College of Public Health.

Learning Objectives

1. Define and discuss the Interprofessional Education Collaborative (IPEC) Core Competencies and the value and utility of using these competencies in guiding OUHSC student educational activities.
2. Discuss the role of Interprofessional Education in training OUHSC students for collaborative clinical practices.
3. Reflect on the Empowering Patients through Interprofessional Collaboration (EPIC) project success on the OUHSC campus.
4. Engage in discussion groups to help forge Interprofessional relationships with professionals on the OUHSC campus

About the Presenters

Rhonda A. Sparks, MD is the Medical Director of the Clinical Skills Education and Testing Center (CSETC) on the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center campus. Dr. Sparks is a Clinical Professor in the Department of Family and Preventive Medicine and maintains a private clinical practice in the Oklahoma City area. Dr. Sparks completed her residency training in Family Medicine at the University of Oklahoma in 1997 and then completed the faculty development fellowship at the McLennan County Medical Education and Research Foundation in Waco, TX. Dr. Sparks served as the Director of Undergraduate Medical Education within the Department of Family & Preventive Medicine prior to her appointment as the Director of the CSETC. Dr. Sparks also serves as the Medical Director of the College of Medicine’s Standardized Patient Training Program and is the course Director for the Clinical Medicine course, teaching clinical skills to medical students in the College of Medicine. Her teaching has been honored with the Regents’ Award for Superior Teaching in 2005 and the Stanton L. Young Master Teacher Award in 2009. Dr. Sparks continues to focus on clinical skills training, communication training, and clinical skills evaluation of medical students and residents on the Health Science Center campus.

Dale Bratzler, DO, MPH, is a Professor in the Department of Health Administration and Policy, and Associate Dean in the College of Public Health, and a Professor of Medicine in the College of Medicine at the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center. He also serves in the role of Chief Quality Officer for the OU Physicians Group. Dr. Bratzler has worked in the field of healthcare quality measurement and improvement for many years. For many years he has worked on the development and maintenance of national performance measures used to profile and publicly report metrics on quality of inpatient and outpatient healthcare as a contractor to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, and has served on many committees or technical expert panels related to healthcare quality including those sponsored by the National Quality Forum. Dr. Bratzler served twice as the President of the American Health Quality Association, is a past member of the National Advisory Council for the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ), and is currently a member of the Healthcare Infection Control Practices Advisory Committee (HICPAC) for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.