

# Advancing Simulation Careers & Empowering Next-Generation Development (ASCEND) Application Preparation Document

This document has been prepared to help you (the applicant) to the program to prepare your submission. It is strongly suggested that you write your responses first into a word or google doc, then copy and paste once you are ready to submit.

**Application Questions:** responses to the following questions must be submitted in the application. Items in [ ] are descriptors to support your understanding for the response.

- Name
- Title [current job title]
- Organization [who you work for e.g., St. Elsewhere Simulation Center]
- E-mail [best contact to reach you at]
- By checking this box, I confirm that I have less than six years' experience in healthcare simulation [this is a check-box response]
- Briefly describe your experience in healthcare simulation including the month/year that you started (500 characters max). [this response is your personal story and /or journey in simulation and will help the reviewers understand what you do/what role you play in healthcare simulation]
- **The qualities to be recognized and included in the ASCEND network include leadership, advocacy, and boundary-spanning. Examples of these qualities can be found locally (within your organization), regionally, nationally, and internationally.** In your response, reflect on your professional achievements and activities that showcase how you embody these qualities. Discuss the contributions you've made to your organization, as well as to the broader simulation community, including: How you have exhibited leadership in the field, ways you have advocated for healthcare simulation, and how you have bridged boundaries, collaborating across disciplines or regions to further innovation. (4000 characters max). [This space is intended to capture your response to “why should you be recognized as a rising star”; please describe what you have done to ‘shine’ in simulation, you can share your capabilities and accomplishments, presentations, inventions in simulation or anything you feel substantive that demonstrates you are worthy of this recognition.]
- What is the name and email of your first reference:
- What is the name and email of your second reference:
- Please attach an updated CV, resume, or SSH Biosketch to this application (pdf required).

## Tips and Hints:

- Be clear and concise in your writing as you paint your story.
- Use specific examples of your accomplishments and capabilities in healthcare simulation, as appropriate.
- Bulleted items are acceptable and often help give detail to the narrative.
- Consider the concept that inclusion in the ASCEND program indicates the applicant as being someone who is on the fast-track to a significant contributions in healthcare simulation. Your answers should demonstrate how you are on that fast track.