

Jack Jaeger, MSN Ed, FSSH, CHSE, CCRN

Biosketch



Name:	Jack Jaeger, MSN Ed, FSSH, CHSE, CCRN
Title/Position:	Executive Director, Rural Health Innovation Collaborative

Brief Narrative

Jack Jaeger is the founding Executive Director of the Rural Health Innovation Collaborative, a not-for-profit simulation consortium with nine partners, developed in 2011 and based in Terre Haute, Indiana. Mr. Jaeger's leadership was instrumental in the program becoming the first fully accredited simulation program in the state of Indiana in Systems Integration and Teaching/Education, as recognized by the Society for Simulation in Healthcare (SSH) in 2015. He has been involved with SSH since 2012, including his current position, where he served as the Chair of the Accreditation Council for the Society, and has been an Accreditation Lead Site Reviewer since 2015. He achieved certification as a Healthcare Simulation Educator (CHSE) in 2021. He was elected as a Fellow in the SSH Academy in 2025. His global impact was acknowledged with an SSH Presidential Citation for his work in expanding the reach of accreditation, in which he led the Society in establishing the Commission for International Simulation Accreditation (CISA) in 2024.

Mr. Jaeger previously served for 15 years as the Sepsis Coordinator and Clinical Educator for Critical Care at Union Health System, also located in Terre Haute, Indiana, serving also as a Registered Nurse in the Critical Care and Open-Heart Recovery Units. In that time, Mr. Jaeger was an early adopter of simulation-based methodologies for the education of acute care health professionals at the hospital and in the region. As Sepsis Coordinator for Union Hospital, Mr. Jaeger provided simulation-based training for professionals across the region, earning him national recognition from the Surviving Sepsis Campaign and the Society for Critical Care Medicine. Mr. Jaeger was selected for a year-long fellowship by the National League of Nursing for Simulation Leadership in 2012, learning how to develop a successful healthcare simulation program. Since that time, he has spoken at numerous simulation conferences on incorporating simulation into practice for acute care, academic, and consortium-model simulation programs. He has also been instrumental in providing simulation-based education to underserved rural communities across the state of Indiana. He has collaborated with the Indiana State Department of Health, the Office of Rural Health, the Indiana Rural Health Association, the Indiana Trauma Commission, and the Indiana Hospital Association to assist small rural and critical access hospitals across the state in developing and incorporating simulation-based education into their continuing education programs. He has worked with other not-for-profit collaboratives nationwide seeking to develop consortium or shared resource simulation programs.

Background		
Degree(s):	Master of Science, Nursing Education Bachelor of Science, Nursing Associate of Science, Nursing	May, 2019 May, 2009 Dec, 1996
Licensure(s):	Registered Nurse	Feb, 1997
Healthcare Certification(s):	Certified Critical Care Registered Nurse (CCRN) Certified Healthcare Simulation Educator (CHSE)	Jan, 2007 Feb, 2021
Healthcare Simulation Training:	Selected Fellow, National League of Nursing, Simulation Leadership Program	Jan-Dec, 2012
Simulation Leadership Roles	SSH Accreditation Immediate Past Chair SSH Accreditation Council Chair SSH Accreditation Incoming Chair SSH Accreditation Council Member SSH Lead Site Reviewer	2025-2026 2023-2025 2022-2023 2019-2026 2016-Present
Scholarship in Simulation Activities		
Articles	Smith, MK; Beaulieu; K, Kuszajewski; M; LeMaster, T; Nawathe, P; Schocken, D; Young, J; Jaeger, J; Perceived Return on Investment of Accreditation by Accredited Programs, Simulation in Healthcare: The Journal of the Society for Simulation in Healthcare 20(2):p 81-87, April 2025.	
Textbooks	N/A	

Awards	
2025	Election as Fellow in SSH Academy
2025	SSH Presidential Citation for Development of Commission for International Commission for Simulation Accreditation
2013	Selected Fellow, National League of Nursing Simulation Leadership Program
2009	Anthem Blue Cross National Successful Practice Award
2008	VHA Innovations in Practice Award
2008	Society for Critical Care Medicine Successful Practice –Severe Sepsis Management
2007	Surviving Sepsis Campaign Summit National Delegate

Simulation Organization Memberships and Participation
Society for Simulation in Healthcare (SSH)
National League of Nursing (NLN)
Association of Standardized Patient Educators (ASPE)
Indiana Simulation Consortium

Presentations	
1-10-25	International Meeting for Simulation in Healthcare, Annual Conference, Accreditation Readiness Pre-con, San Diego, CA
1-13-25	International Meeting for Simulation in Healthcare, Annual Conference, Accreditation Top Ten, San Diego, CA
1-13-25	International Meeting for Simulation in Healthcare, Annual Conference, Into the Wild: Creating a Successful In-Situ Simulation Program, San Diego, CA
1-15-25	International Meeting for Simulation in Healthcare, Annual Conference, Core Accreditation Standards, San Diego, CA
5/16/24	Indiana State Department of Health, Webinar Series, Implementing Simulation in Rural Hospital Quality Improvement Processes, Indianapolis, IN
1/24/24	International Meeting for Simulation in Healthcare, Annual Conference, Accreditation Top Ten, San Diego, CA
1/23/24	International Meeting for Simulation in Healthcare, Annual Conference, Into the Wild: Creating a Successful In-Situ Simulation Program, San Diego, CA
1/23/24	International Meeting for Simulation in Healthcare, Annual Conference, Return on Investment for Simulation Accreditation, San Diego, CA
1/22/24	International Meeting for Simulation in Healthcare, Annual Conference, Core Accreditation Standards, San Diego, CA
1/25/23	International Meeting for Simulation in Healthcare, Annual Conference, Accreditation Top Ten, Orlando, FL
1/23/23	International Meeting for Simulation in Healthcare, Annual Conference, Into the Wild: Creating a Successful In-Situ Simulation Program, Orlando, FL
1/23/23	International Meeting for Simulation in Healthcare, Annual Conference, Core Accreditation Standards, Orlando, FL
1/22/23	International Meeting for Simulation in Healthcare, Annual Conference, Plenary Presentation on Accreditation, Orlando, FL
1/15/22	International Meeting for Simulation in Healthcare, Annual Conference, Accreditation Site Reviewer Training, Los Angeles, CA
12/8/21	Indiana Simulation Consortium, Preparing for Accreditation, Indianapolis, IN
6/15/21	Indiana Rural Health Association, Annual Conference, Using Simulation to Improve Patient Safety in Rural Hospitals, French Lick, IN
1/18/20	International Meeting for Simulation in Healthcare, Annual Conference, Accreditation Site Reviewer Training, San Diego, CA
12/16/19	Franciscan Health, Developing a Successful Simulation Collaborative Model, Indianapolis, IN
9/25/19	South Georgia Consortium Conference, Collaborative Practice & Education in Rural Health, Moultrie, GA

6/14/19	Indiana Rural Health Association, Simulation in Rural Health Settings, French Lick, IN
2/15/19	Athletic Training Educators Conference, Emergency Medicine Collaborative: Interprofessional Practice in Emergency Care, Grapevine, TX
1/26/19	International Meeting for Simulation in Healthcare, Annual Conference, Accreditation Site Reviewer Training, San Antonio, TX
9/17/18	RHIC Simulation Symposium, From Finance to Accreditation: How to Develop and Manage a Successful Simulation Center, Terre Haute, IN
10/4/17	Central Indiana Simulation Consortium Conference, Developing a Successful Simulation Collaborative Model, Indianapolis, IN
8/14/17	Our Smallest Emergencies- Simulation to Prepare Rural Health Professionals in Neonatal Emergencies, Philadelphia, PA
4/21/17	Southeast Indiana Simulation Consortium, Developing a Successful Simulation Collaborative Model, Seymour, IN
12/9/16	Rose Hulman Institute of Technology PreMed, Possible Careers in Healthcare Simulation Technology, Terre Haute, IN
12/9/16	Indiana Emergency Response Conference, Developing Simulation-based Neonatal Training for EMS, Indianapolis, IN
11/7/14	Indiana Infant Mortality Summit, Our Smallest Emergencies: Training Rural Providers to Save Babies through High-Fidelity Simulation, Indianapolis, IN
3/14/14	American Dental Education Association Annual Conference, Virtual Anatomy at a Collaborative Simulation Center, San Antonio, TX
4/17/12	National Rural Health Association Annual Conference, Building a Simulation Consortium, Denver, CO