



# WNRCASN Conference 2025

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## PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOP ABSTRACT

### Pre-Conference Workshop – CCS Bldg, Wednesday, May 21, 2025

Time 1: 13:00-14:30

Time 2: 1430-1600

NOTE: Attendance is limited - email [WNRCASN.2025@ubc.ca](mailto:WNRCASN.2025@ubc.ca) with your preferred time to reserve a place.

### From Birthing Suites to Mobile Units: Reimagining Nursing Education Through Simulation

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#### Abstract

As nursing student numbers grow, it is becoming increasingly difficult to find clinical placements in hospitals and community settings. Simulation plays an important role in nursing education as a way to enhance knowledge and skill-building in safe environments. This workshop will provide an in-person introduction to innovative simulation lab learning offered by UBC Okanagan School of Nursing and Thompson Rivers University School of Nursing. The objectives of this workshop are as follows:

1. Gain awareness of equipment, facilities and teaching strategies at UBCO SON to support simulation learning for varied clinical areas including maternity (including a high-fidelity birthing simulator), pediatrics and medical contexts.
2. Gain exposure to how simulation experiences can be provided for those in remote or underserved areas through a Mobile Simulation Unit.
3. Share experiences, ideas and strategies about simulation learning for students across a range of clinical areas and through various types of technologies.

**Workshop content:** This workshop will provide an overview of the different types of simulation learning experiences and how these are conducted with student learners. Participants will tour lab facilities and learn about the simulation labs provided by the UBCO SON to support student knowledge and skill development for maternity, pediatric and medical contexts. The tour of the Mobile Simulation Lab from TRU will also include discussion of the design and methods used to develop this unique state-of-the-art Mobile lab. Follow this link for further details about this Mobile Lab: <https://www.tru.ca/nursing/simulation-centre/mobile-sim-lab.html>

**Workshop strategies:** Participants will have the opportunity to take part in a 1.5 hour guided tour of two UBC sim labs and the TRU Mobile Simulation Lab. The workshop facilitators will explain how the simulation labs are carried out with students and how the various simulation equipment and facilities were developed and are utilized.