



Hands-on Simulation Workshop

Join us for an afternoon of interactive lectures, live demonstrations, and hands-on practice!

Saturday, May 3, 2025 | 1:30pm-4:00pm
 The Hyatt Regency Mission Bay Spa and Marina
 1441 Quivira Rd, San Diego, CA 92109



Our experts will lead participants through skill demonstration in difficult airway management and point-of-care ultrasound (POCUS).

Countdown to Cricothyrotomy

Front of neck access (FONA) is a life-saving last-resort maneuver that requires knowledge and skill when seconds count. In this hands-on activity, participants will practice varied cricothyrotomy techniques before completing a mini-simulation with feedback on their timeliness and procedural skills. By the end of this workshop, attendees will have a practical understanding of the challenges of both percutaneous and surgical approaches for cricothyrotomy and an individualized understanding of their readiness to perform this procedure.

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POCUS Applications in Anesthesia

This hands-on activity is designed to equip anesthesiologists with the fundamental skills necessary to perform and interpret point-of-care ultrasound (POCUS) in perioperative settings. It will focus on three key applications: cardiothoracic ultrasound for cardiac and pulmonary assessment, gastric ultrasound for aspiration risk evaluation, and ultrasound-guided peripheral IV access for enhanced vascular cannulation success. By the end of the workshop, attendees will have a practical understanding of image acquisition, interpretation, and clinical integration of POCUS in anesthetic and perioperative decision-making.

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