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WHAT:

When tragedy struck in San Bernardino, CA, on December 2 of last year, Loma Linda University Medical Center medical staff had triage tents, crash carts, medical supplies and healthcare personnel ready to treat mass casualties. This response was put together in 18 minutes. This was not by chance. It was not by accident.

We train our students to be effective responders in mass casualty and disaster events as part of their educational curricula. Loma Linda University School of Medicine spearheads a "Multidisciplinary Response to a Critical Event/Disaster: An Innovative, Interprofessional Educational Experience," and you are invited to attend.

Students from Loma Linda University Schools of Medicine, Nursing, Allied Health, Public Health, Pharmacy and Dentistry will participate in an innovative, interprofessional educational experience: a multidisciplinary response to a critical event/disaster. Through

six different critical event/disaster simulations, students will:

- · Recognize potential critical events/disasters and be able to implement initial appropriate actions
- Know the principles of critical event/disaster management
- Demonstrate critical event/disaster safety principles
- Demonstrate effective critical event/disaster communication skills
 - Know the complex communication needs for a critical event/disaster
 - Demonstrate appropriate communication skills within each team
 - Identify the appropriate communication steps, information to be reported, correct reporting authority,
 and alternative modalities
- Understand the incident command system, and the purpose of an institutional disaster operations plan and their potential roles in them as caregivers/responders
- Apply relationship-building values and the principles of team dynamics to perform effectively in different team roles
- Demonstrate the knowledge and skills needed to fulfill their role during a critical event/disaster
- Roles/responsibilities: Use the knowledge of one's own role and of other professions' roles to appropriately respond to the critical event/disaster scenario
- Demonstrate a climate of mutual respect and shared values throughout the exercise

WHEN: Nine repeating sessions

Monday, May 9 through Thursday, May 12, 2016 (2 sessions each day) 8:00 am - 12 noon and 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm, and;

Friday, May 15, 2015 (1 session) 8:00 am - 12 noon

WHERE: Loma Linda University Health Centennial Complex, 4th Floor, 24760 Stewart Street, Loma Linda, California 92350

MEDIA IS INVITED: Loma Linda University Health (LLUH) is extending an invitation to members of the media to observe and report on this innovative interprofessional educational experience.

INFORMATION: We are asking Media to R.S.V.P. to this event. *(although some triage simulation areas are spacious, space in the simulation lab is limited)*

Please contact Susan Onuma, media relations specialist, sonuma@llu.edu or 909-651-5823 to reserve a spot in 1 of 9 available sessions (Limit: 3 media representatives per session)



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About Loma Linda University Health

Loma Linda University Health includes Loma Linda University's eight professional schools, Loma Linda University Medical Center's six hospitals and more than 900 faculty physicians located in the Inland Empire of Southern California. Established in 1905, Loma Linda University Health is a global leader in education, research and clinical care. It offers over 100 academic programs and provides quality health care to 40,000 inpatients and 1.5 million outpatients each year. A Seventh-day Adventist organization, Loma Linda University Health is a faith-based health system with a mission "to continue the teaching and healing ministry of Jesus Christ."