

MEET THE SIM FAMILY

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The Division of Nursing has purchased three new high-fidelity human simulators to offer students more clinical decision-making experience. The SimMan, SimBaby, and Noelle Maternal and Neonatal Birthing Simulator are more sophisticated than the static mannequins Rivier has used in the past—the new simulators may be programmed to exhibit symptoms of a wide variety of medical conditions.

Divisional Chairperson of Nursing **Paula Williams** says the mannequins give students practice in caring for patients with catheters, IV tubes, dressing changes, and complex nursing skills without concerns about liability.

“In the past, during an emergency situation, the students were often observers. The human simulators allow the students to actively participate in emergency situations assuming the role of the registered nurse. Now students can be more involved,” says Williams. ■

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