As part of the Army wide response to the Ebola threat CRDAMC’s Ebola response team performed central vascular access training. This training event served the dual purpose of obtaining central line access and identifying complications associated with donning full protective gear consisting of: Tyvek suit, respirator, scrubs and boots.

Visual acuity, depth perception and psychomotor skills were put to the test while performing with respirator mask and other protective gear. Learners were taught the value of venous access and restoring hydration in a patient infected with the Ebola virus. Overall this training event supports MEDCOMs’ multi-agency cooperative to maximize responsiveness for this new threat.

Whether training new staff on clinical procedures or developing improvements in patient care tasks the CRDAMC Simulation Center has an inventory of 54 simulation products that cover multi disciplinary skill sets ranging from minor to advanced clinical and surgical procedures.
We are pleased to assist MED/SURG with their staff training initiatives. Clinical Nurse Specialists conducted simulations for two days covering: Maintaining a chest tube, Medicine Administration and Identifying SIRS/Sepsis. A Pre and Post Test were administered to gauge clinical knowledge and retention of training.

One of the main advantages of training at the Simulation Center is that distractions are minimized due to having a dedicated training environment. MED/SURG staff members were immersed in training which was followed by a robust debriefing observed by the OIC MED/SURG and SRMC Clinical Nurse Transition Program Director.

The SimMan human patient simulator was used for this event. SimMan classic is capable of producing physiological symptoms like abnormal breath sounds and patient complaints. For a more thorough description of SimMan or other simulators of interest please visit our website listed on the Blue Buttons.

We appreciate the opportunity to work with MED/SURG and look forward to assisting them in future training events.