

# **THE COLLABORATIVE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM BETWEEN TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER EL PASO (TTUHSC EL PASO) AND UNIVERSITY OF MEDICINE PHAM NGOC THACH (UPNT)**

## **I. OVERVIEW**



Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center El Paso (TTUHSC El Paso)

Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center El Paso (TTUHSC El Paso) is the only health sciences center along the U.S. - Mexico border. TTUHSC El Paso provides a safe learning environment for students of all levels, which is based on evidence - based medicine and objective assessment, to offer students life-like experiences prior to actual clinical cases.

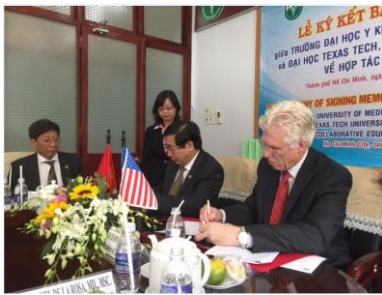
It is the fourth university in the Texas Tech University System and is comprised of four school: the Paul L. Foster School of Medicine, the Gayle Greve Hunt School of Nursing, the Woody L. Hunt School of Dental Medicine and the Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences. The Paul L. Foster School of Medicine is the only medical school on the U.S. - Mexico border. Unlike a traditional medical school, which requires students to wait until their third year of studies before they are introduced to the clinical sciences, students at the Foster School of Medicine are immersed to the basic and clinical sciences in their first year through integrated education program. A qualified Clinical Simulation Center is required to put that into practice.

The Training and Educational Center for Healthcare Simulation (TECHS) on the campus of TTUHSC El Paso was created in February 2019 as a program expansion from the Gayle Greve Hunt School of Nursing (GGHSON) simulation program, the Center for Advanced Teaching and Assessment in Clinical Simulation (ATACS), and the Regional Simulation and Training Center. ATACS was accredited by the Society for Simulation in Healthcare (SSH) many times. Professor Hoi Ho, M.D., was the Director of ATACS from its inception until his retirement.

Dr. Richard A. Lange, M.D., M.B.A., is the President of TTUHSC El Paso and Dean of the Paul L. Foster School of Medicine. Two Vietnamese American Experts, Professor Hoi Ho, M.D. and Tuyen K. Ho, Pharm.D., BCPS, connected and paved the way for the cooperation between TTUHSC El Paso and UPNT. They have made great contributions to the success of the cooperation. With their help, Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between TTUHSC El Paso and UPNT was signed on January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at UPNT.



University of Medicine Pham Ngoc Thach



President Richard A. Lange and Rector Ngo Minh Xuan signed the MOU on Jan 12<sup>th</sup>, 2017



Professor. Hoi Ho, M.D. and Tuyen K. Ho, Pharm.D., BCPS took the picture with Dr Tien – one of graduates of CEP 3

## II. ACHIEVEMENTS

### 1. Establishment of a self-sustainable Faculty Development Program at UPNT



The graduates of CEP 1 (Feb 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018) at UMP



UPNT & UMP Faculty members participated in CEP 2





The graduates of CEP 2 (Mar 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019) at UPNT



The graduates of CEP 3 (Mar 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020) at UMP



UPNT & UMP Faculty members participated in CEP 4

Dr Tuan – one of graduates of CEP 1 participated to give lecture to Faculty members of CEP 4 under the supervision of Pr. Hoi Ho, M.D. and Tuyen K. Ho, Pharm.D., BCPS. This is the good way to keep the Faculty Development Program sustainable in the long term.



Assoc Prof. Nguyen Thanh Hiep, UPNT Executive Vice Rector, gave the opening speech for the CEP in-house 1



Assoc Prof. Vu Minh Phuc, M.D., gave a lecture in the CEP in-house 1 at UPNT

## 2. Professional support for the Clinical Simulation Center construction (CECICS-UPNT)



The Delegates cut the ribbon to inaugurate the building



Center for Elaboration Competency and Innovation in Clinical Simulation of UPNT (CECICS – UPNT)



On May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018, the inauguration ceremony of CECICS-UPNT was attended by many HCMC Leaders and Department of Health of HCMC



Dr. Truong Xuan Lieu, former Director of Ho Chi Minh City Department of Health, examined Simulator model (Susie) on May 5<sup>th</sup> 2018

## 3. Professional support for CECICS to establish and develop Standardized Patient Program



Standardized patients from the beginning days of establishment (2018)



Standardized patients were rewarded for their good performance (2020)





Assoc. Prof. Cao Van Thinh chaired the Operation Committee on August 29, 2018  
 Front row (from left to right): Secretary Thuy (CECICS), Dr. Phuong (CECICS), Assoc Prof Thinh (Former Head of CECICS), Dr Thanh (Surgery Department), Dr. An (CECICS), Dr. Tien (CECICS) and Dr. Thu (CECICS)  
 Back Row: Mrs Chi (School of Nurse), Mr Quang (Standardized pts) and Representatives of Students and Post-graduates



Dr Phuong Thu gave an oral presentation at the meeting of the Operation Committee on August 29, 2018



CECICS Advisory Committee annual meeting (Mar 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021)  
 Sitting row (from left to right): Dr. Hanh (ATCS-UMP), Dr. Phuong Thu (CECICS-UPNT), Dr. Thinh (FDU-UPNT), Dr. Trang (Obstetrics and Gynecology Department-UPNT), Mr. Quang (SP)  
 Standing row (from left to right): Mrs. Tam (School of Nursing), Dr. An, BSPH. Hoang, Dr. Tien, Dr. Phuong (CECICS-UPNT), Dr. Quoc (UMC), Dr. Tran (Post-graduate student), Dr. Niem (Pediatrics Department-UPNT), Bao Tran and Hoang Thuan (MS-2), Dr. Viet (General Surgery Department)



Students practiced on standardized patient

#### 4. Support for CECICS to obtain SSH Provisional Accreditation from the Society for Simulation in Healthcare (SSH)



Prof. Hoi Ho trained CECICS's Staff to prepare for the SSH Provisional Accreditation on October 4, 2018

Prof. Hoi Ho trained CECICS's Staff to prepare for the SSH Provisional Accreditation on October 8, 2018



The Rector Board and members of TTUHSC El Paso and UPNT took pictures before receiving SSH Provisional Accreditation in San Antonio on Feb 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Ngo Minh Xuan, Former Rector of UPNT, received SSH Provisional Accreditation in San Antonio on Feb 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019

# The Society for Simulation in Healthcare

*has conferred upon*  
Center for Elaboration Competency and Innovation in Clinical  
Simulation (CECICS)  
*for having demonstrated the standards set forth by the Council for  
Accreditation of Healthcare Simulation Programs in the areas of  
Teaching/Education*

*the designation of*

**SSH Provisional Accreditation**



*[Signature]*  
SSH President

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| Certificate No.    | 2018-06           |
| Accreditation Date | November 26, 2018 |
| Expiration Date    | December 31, 2020 |

## SSH Provisional Accreditation

### 5. Support for CECICS to obtain the SSH Accreditation in Teaching and Assessment



Assoc. Prof. Nguyen Thanh Hiep, UPNT Executive Vice Rector, with CECICS and Faculty Development Unit joined Skype with Prof. Hoi Ho every 2 weeks to prepare for the SSH Accreditation in Teaching and Assessment



The Rector Board and the Management Officers of UPNT joined Skype with Prof. Hoi Ho on the topic: “Why And How UPNT Can Develop And Implement Successfully The Competency – Based Medical Education” on Mar 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021



### III. OTHER ACTIVITIES

#### 1. The Rector Board of UPNT visited TTUHSC El Paso



In February 2017, Assoc. Prof. Pham Dang Dieu, M.D., former vice rector of UPNT visited TTUHSC El Paso



The Rector Board of UPNT and UMP visited ATACS of TTUHSC El Paso

#### 2. CECICS lecturers visited TTUHSC El Paso



Dr. Nguyen N. P. Thu practiced with the Symbionix VR Flexible Bronchoscopy and interacted with faculty of TTUHSC El Paso in the FDC



Lecturers of CECICS - UPNT and ATCS - UMP were trained at TTUHSC El Paso

#### 3. Representatives of Texas Tech El Paso visited CECICS



TTUHSC El Paso and CECICS-UPNT members took pictures



Dr. Thuy An exchanged expertise with TTUHSC El Paso members