

Memo to Coworkers and Staff

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To: Coworkers and Staff

FROM:

SUBJECT: RealCare Baby® Care Simulation

Our school/organization is fortunate to have the Realityworks RealCare Baby program. The program allows participants to experience the many responsibilities required of a new infant's caregiver. I hope you will join me in helping participants benefit fully from the program. The core of the program is a care simulation using the newest and most realistic infant simulator available.

The infant simulator (Baby) cries according to its 24-hour schedule and requires the participant to care for it. The participant responds by bringing an electronic ID near Baby, allowing the simulator to recognize its correct "caregiver." Participants must then figure out what kind of care Baby needs. Baby needs to be fed, burped, rocked, played with, and have its diaper changed. Baby will also cry if it is roughly handled, held in a position it does not like, or if the head is not properly supported. There are also happy and fussy times.

Although Baby may momentarily disrupt your class or group, I hope you will agree that the benefits of the program far outweigh the brief interruptions. I would appreciate your help in watching for unattended, mistreated, or improperly held Babies; the electronics cannot monitor all these behaviors. Please contact me if you have any questions or concerns about the program, or if there are special arrangements we must discuss for your classes or groups. A child care option may be available.

