“Dr. Halamek is a leader in simulation and in the field of debriefing. For all of us in the simulation community, our goal is to improve individual and team performance and the outcomes of patient care. The debriefing method advanced and taught by Dr. Halamek and his colleagues at Stanford focus primarily on improving our team performance and patient care...

This method has its roots in the debriefing methods used by the military and NASA for many years. It has proven to be an effective and efficient form of debriefing. This is the debriefing method that I use most frequently and I highly recommend this method to you. I believe if you try it, you will use it as your primary debriefing method as well.”

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“...The business-like approach to simulation and debriefing that Dr. Halamek espouses is no-nonsense yet respectful, promotes both team discussion and self-reflection, and encourages healthcare professionals to be better at caring for their patients. . .

It is a source of great pride and it brings me comfort to know that through my training at CAPE and then through repetitive practice of the techniques I learned there, I am playing a role in enhancing the care provided to literally thousands of patients.”

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“…Having attended several CAFE simulation & debriefing workshops, I have experienced debriefing as the heart and soul of simulation-based training. CAFE’s emphasis on a professional business-like approach to debriefing (very similar to the NASA & DCO models) with the major focus on individual actions and how these actions influence team performance, which in turn ultimately affects patient care, has been vital to me. It has helped me to create a culture of healthcare professionals who embrace a debriefing process that gives them an honest, business-like critique of their actions in direct relation to the patient’s care.

It just does not get any better than this. What I appreciate most about this process is that it is absolutely patient-centered.”

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