

# Educate to Elevate

## A Day of Simulated Learning for Pediatric Home Health Nurses



**Almost Home Kids** announces an exciting, new simulation-based training program for pediatric home care nurses caring for children with medical complexities.

The one-day program includes classroom training and uniquely features a simulation lab equipped with high-fidelity mannequins giving nurses the opportunity to train in a realistic simulation with scenarios developed by AHK. Nurses will learn how to safely care for children with ventilators, G-tubes and those who have tracheostomies. We anticipate that with additional training, home care nurses will gain improved competence and confidence caring for children with medical complexities, in a home setting.

Almost Home Kids provides transitional and respite care for children with medical complexities in a community-based, home-like setting at our sites in Chicago and Naperville, and a site in Peoria affiliated with OSF HealthCare Children's Hospital of Illinois. AHK has first-hand experience of how the shortage of highly trained pediatric home care nurses impacts our ability to reunite children with their families in the community.

To address this problem, AHK has teamed up with the University of Illinois at Chicago Simulation and Integrative Learning Institute (SAIL) to develop a one-day simulated learning session. **DSCC (Division of Specialized Care for Children)** has graciously **underwritten the next session** so that we may waive the registration fee. We also gratefully thank the Alvin H. Baum Family Fund for their generous support of this unique training program.

**WHERE:** UIC Simulation and Integrative Learning Institute  
University of Illinois at Chicago  
Mile Square Health Center  
1220 South Wood St, 5th floor  
Chicago, IL 60608

**Fee:** \$0 (DSCC to underwrite the \$300 fee per attendee for the next session)

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