Debriefing Checklist

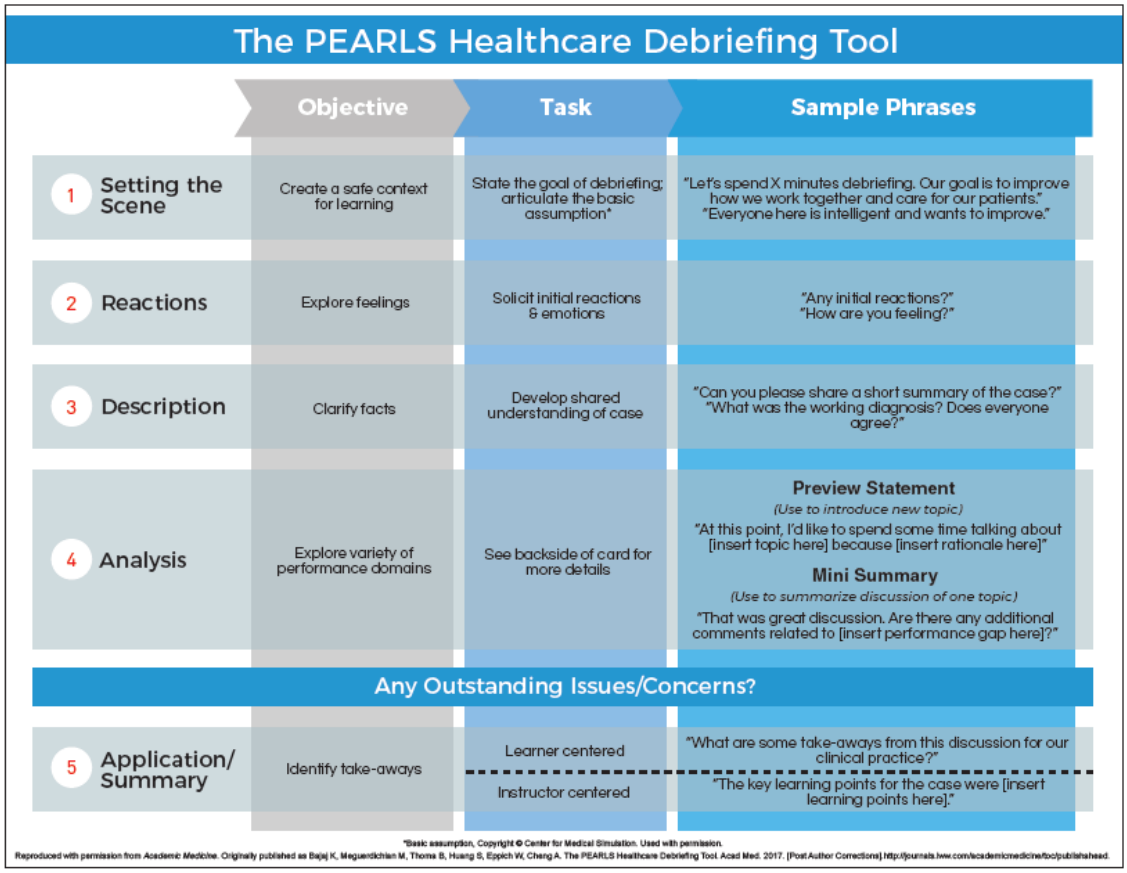
Debriefing Structure

☐ Debriefing should take place immediately following the simulation-based experience (SBE) in a separate private space unless integrated at designated points within the scenario (debriefing-on-demand) (Criterion 1)

☐ When multiple SBEs are running simultaneously each learner group should be debriefed separately to ensure privacy. *The KCNHP Clinical Simulation Center (CSC) has a dedicated pre/debrief classroom, 075/076.* (Criterion 3)

☐ Duration of debriefing is dependent on the knowledge level and experience of the learner(s), the make-up of the learners (individual or team, and variables such as age, gender and race), and the objectives of the SBE. *20 to 30 minutes is considered optimal* (INASCL)

Evidence Based Method



PEARLS is the recommended evidence-based debriefing framework of the KCNHP (Criterion 4)

Exit

☐ Before dismissal from debriefing, learners must complete the Clinical Simulation Center Effectiveness Tool. Please hand out the copies of the survey provided to your students. Once complete please collect and return to CSC staff (Criterion 1, Operations)

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