Mobile Academic Simulation Tours FL to Train FSU Med Students

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Tallahassee, FL - FSU medical students are about to start seeing patients.

Those patients are coming by the bus load. FSU College of Medicine began its 10-day, 1,200 mile road trip Wednesday afternoon.

The group is visiting the medical school campuses in Pensacola, Sarasota, Orlando, Daytona, Fort Pierce, and Immokalee, Florida.



Members will act as patients so that the medical students can be evaluated.

Debra Danforth, M.S., A.R.N.P., an FSU Medical School Associate Professor, says, "The medical students interview or patients, which are called 'standardized patients.' They go in a room and see these patients and they do a history and a physical exam. Then they come out and they actually do post encounter, writing up a note of what they just saw."

Nancy and Bob Durocher are "Standardized Patients". They say, "When we go on the road, we have already been with them for two years here. We get to see them three years down the line and the difference between when they first came, and at their third year is absolutely great."

This is the fifth year of the mobile training simulation bus trip. The group returns December 14th.