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Kim Leighton is the Dean of Instructional Technology at BryanLGH College of Health Sciences in Lincoln, NE. In this role, she coordinates use of high-fidelity simulation, collaborating with Nursing and Allied Health faculty to integrate simulation throughout the curriculum. She also assists nurse managers from the medical center to create simulated learning opportunities for new graduates, new hires, seasoned nurses, and annual competency assessments.

Kim is also adjunct faculty for Medical Education Technologies, Inc. (METI). She provides consultation with nursing schools in the US and Canada on curriculum integration of simulation utilizing the Program for Nursing Curriculum Integration, a product she helped to develop while working as a full-time Clinical Educator for METI.

Kim was co-founder of the MidAmerica regional simulation network group and founder of the Nebraska Simulation Taskforce. Her research interests lie in improving the simulation environment to meet the learning needs of undergraduate nursing students. Kim completed her education at the University of Nebraska Medical Center, Nebraska Wesleyan University, and the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, where she obtained her PhD in Educational Leadership in Higher Education.