

## **Michael Seropian, M.D., elected president-elect of Society for Simulation in Healthcare**



Michael Seropian, M.D., an associate professor in the Department of Anesthesiology and Perioperative Medicine (APOM), was elected president-elect of the Society for Simulation in Healthcare (SSH). Dr. Seropian's term begins in January and he will transition to SSH president in 2011.

Dr. Seropian currently serves as treasurer of SSH and has been a board member for four years. His work has helped place OHSU and Oregon as national leaders for providing simulation education. In 2003, he co-founded and designed the OHSU Simulation and Clinical Learning Center as a collaboration between the Schools of Medicine and Nursing. He was the co-director of the Center until April 2006. Today he is the medical director of OHSU Simulation and director of the OHSU Anesthesia Simulation Service. He served as chair of the Oregon Simulation Alliance (OSA) and is a member of the American Society of Anesthesiologists simulation education committee. Dr. Seropian has been at OHSU since 1998.

SSH ([www.SSiH.org](http://www.SSiH.org)) was established in January 2004 to represent the rapidly growing group of educators and researchers who utilize a variety of simulation techniques for education, testing, and research in healthcare. The membership, now over 2,500, is united by its desire to improve performance and reduce errors in patient care using all types of simulation including task trainers, human patient simulators, virtual reality and standardized patients. SSH promotes improvements in simulation technology, educational methods, practitioner assessment and patient safety that promote better patient care and can improve patient outcome.