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Motivational Interviewing Learning Environment and Simulation (MILES)

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The Motivational Interviewing Learning Environment and Simulation (MILES) is a virtual reality project developed by the USC Center for Innovation and Research on Veterans and Military Families (CIR), in partnership with the USC Institute for Creative Technologies.

Now embedded in the USC School of Social Work, MILES provides future therapists the opportunity to advance their skills in treating service members, veterans, or military-impacted family members through practice with a simulated patient. This exciting teaching tool allows instructors to guide social work students through a therapist-client interaction with a simulated veteran using a multiple choice-style progression through a therapy session.

The ELITE and INOTS platforms were successfully leveraged to create MILES, with USC CIR and ICT developing a new instructional framework to drive the learning experience.

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