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Making it Meaningful:

Redefining Critical Thinking in Healthcare Education through Mobile Mixed Reality

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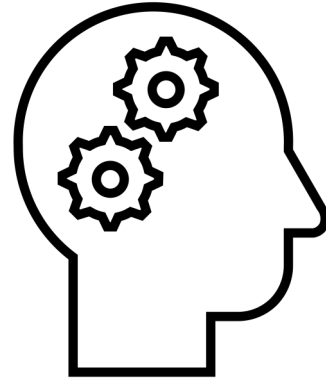
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Relevance/ Importance of Study



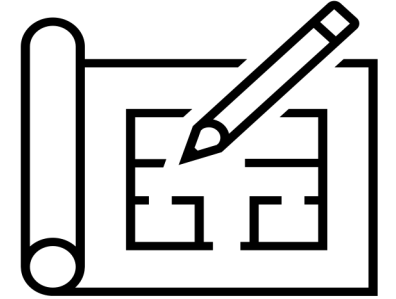
Shortage of
Clinical
Practitioners/
Pressure on
Educational
Institutions



Under-
development
of **Critical
Thinking
Skills**



Demand for
Flexibility
of Learning



Design Principles
for Healthcare
Education



Concise Statement

“How can mobile mixed reality (mMR) facilitate critical thinking skills (CTS) in healthcare education?”

mobile

Smartphone, Tablet,
Head Mounted
Displays (HMD)/
Headset, Wearables

mixed reality

Presentation of the
virtual and real world
together

critical thinking skills

Making judgement,
evaluation, analysis,
evaluation,
inference and
explanation

healthcare

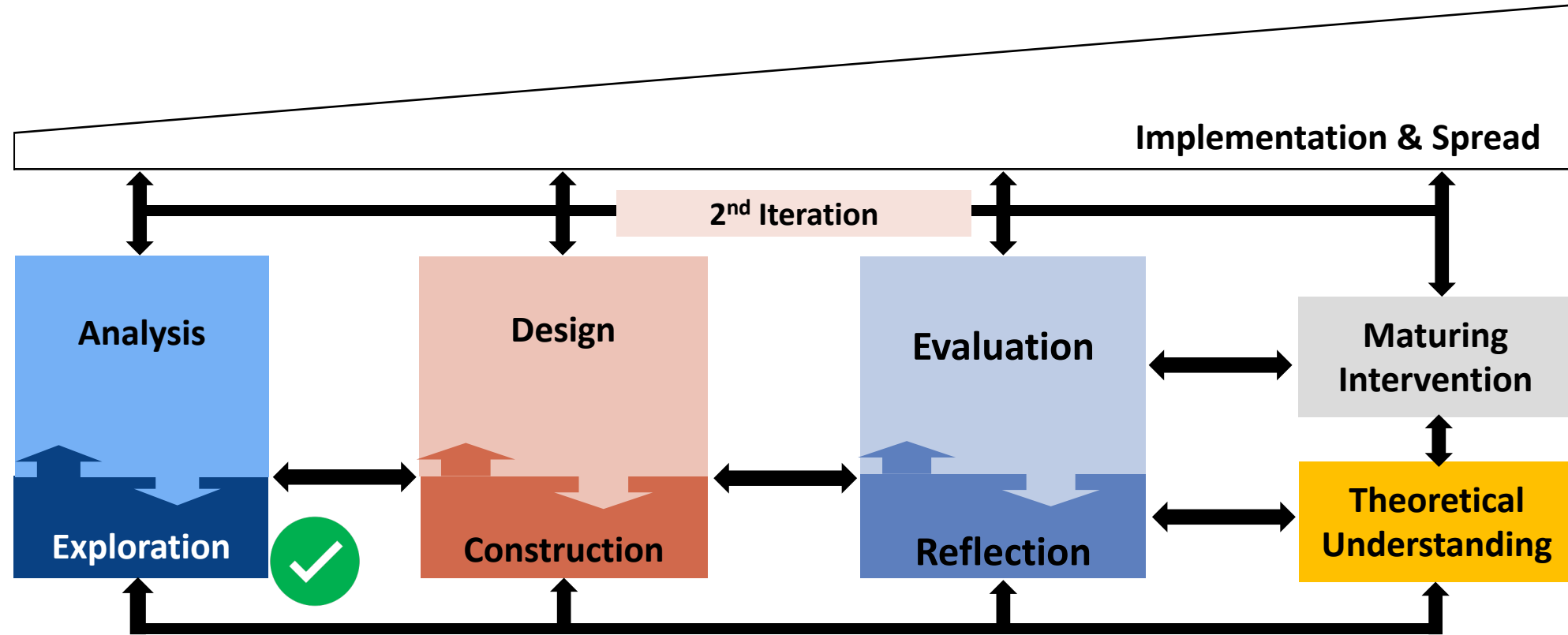
Medicine,
Dentistry, Health
Sciences

education

Tertiary
education
(UG, PG)

Pedagogical Affordances, Perceptions, Design Principles of Mobile Mixed Reality, and Critical Thinking Skills

Educational Design Research (EDR)



Designing *while* implementing (Amiel & Reeves, 2008; Koivisto et al., 2018)

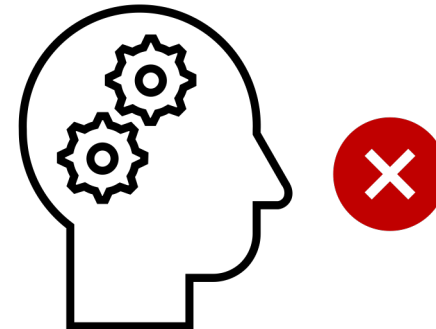
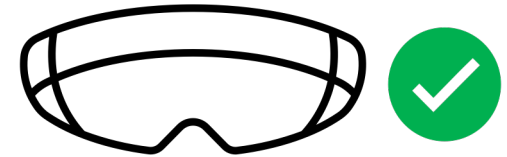
Iterative (Ethics)

Analysis Phase...

Literature Review

- mMR, critical thinking, theoretical framework [in healthcare education]
- Systematic Review- PRISMA, Covidence, PROSPERO (CRD42021286931)

Analysis



Exploration Phase

Focus Group

- Staff, students, healthcare industry representative, mMR developers



Exploration

- **Critical Thinking**

- Ill Defined
- “Freedom of Failure”
- Timing/ Scaffolding

- **Making it Meaningful**

- What “gaps” does it full”
- [Inter] Connectedness
- Personality/ Passion
- Co-design/ Community of Practice
- Opportunity to Interact
- Include [and Measure] Sensory

- **Mobile Mixed Reality**

- Digital Equity
- Scalability



Purposeful Critical Thinking: What

“Freedom of Failure”

#1005 (Learning Software Developer) *“But you know, in the clinical sciences, **having the freedom of, of, of failure really enhances, you know, that sort of that critical thinking.** But, you know, think of how we can actually, sort of, maybe reduce that down to something that we could put forward to our undergraduates is basically, **is allowing them to fail design and design something that they're going to lose.** Kobayashi Maru.*

Making it Meaningful: How

[Inter]"Connectedness"

#1002 (Lecturer) *"I think a valuable learning experience is one in which the students are interested in. So I think if there's some reason that they care about learning this thing, they're much more likely to actually learn it."*

#1008 (Student) *"I think hands learning, is one of the best way to keep things engaging, actually being able to touch and feel what you're learning very easy to do in physiology, a lot harder in something like chemistry [laughter]. To explain background, but that sort of thing, something that [inter]connects with what you've already learned, as well. So you can see where it fits in the broader sense "*

#1009 (Student) *"But the one thing I always remembered was someone, the particular professor explained that, something like a zero order kinetics was like, that's what happens when you have to go pee after you have a certain amount of drinks. Because that's when you get that amount. That's the only thing I've ever remembered in that class."*



Making it Meaningful: How

Include [and Measure] Sensory

Visual

Move Around (Virtual Environment)

Sound

Haptic (Feedback)

Biometrics (HR, Stress)

Touch

Mobile Mixed Reality: How

Digital Equity

#1005 (Learning Software Developer) *"But I, so you know, everyone's got an AR device in their pocket. My phone has more power than probably three of our Quests combined. Mind you, it is, you know, the latest and greatest, but it's not hard, and we have plenty of iPads that we can sort of hand around. And that's basically an AR powered device."*

#1007 (Lecturer) "I guess the accessibility to the technology, in many ways... ..is a challenge. Even if you do have a headset, you **still need an internet connection, wireless, you know, all these sorts of things.**"

Mobile Mixed Reality: How

Scalability

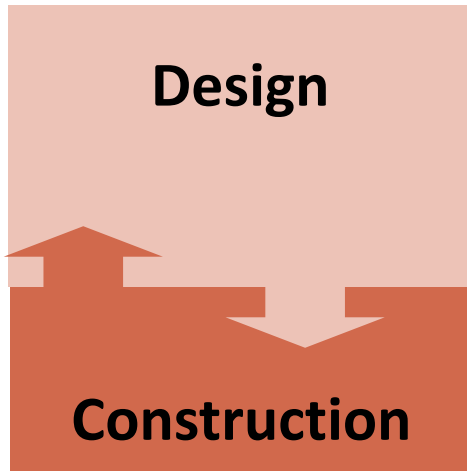
#1005 (Lecturer) *"You do have those small group tutorials where you're expected to come in and you know, come in every week with the same people in, you know, 20 to 30 and do that but you know, obviously with the **class sizes** that we have in SBS that's near on impossible without, you know, completely blowing out budgets, and taking up half the university's rooms at once."*

#1006 (Lecturer) *"I find interesting is that there's **a call to go back to the basics**, in a way. There's nothing wrong. We can do incredible stuff, we have the resources, but we forget the basics. And many of those things work very well. **I mean, why do you need to reinvent the wheel**, maybe this experience is working as well as this. And maybe you should focus on that. Then you can, in the future, things improve, that it's less expensive, whatever."*

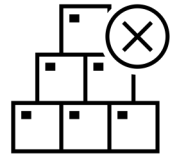
#1003 (Immersive Media Coordinator) *"There's a lot of **360 imagery and video stuff**, where you can kind of just go somewhere, put a camera down."*

Design and Construction Phase

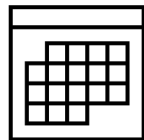
Preliminary Design Principles



Purposeful Critical Thinking



Freedom for failure

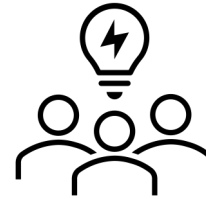


Timing/ Scaffolding
of learning

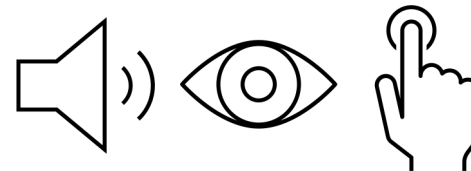


Measure Critical Thinking

Make it Meaningful

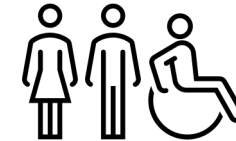


[Inter]connectedness/
Community of Practice



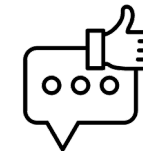
Interact/ Sensory

mMR Affordances



Accessibility

Ease of Use

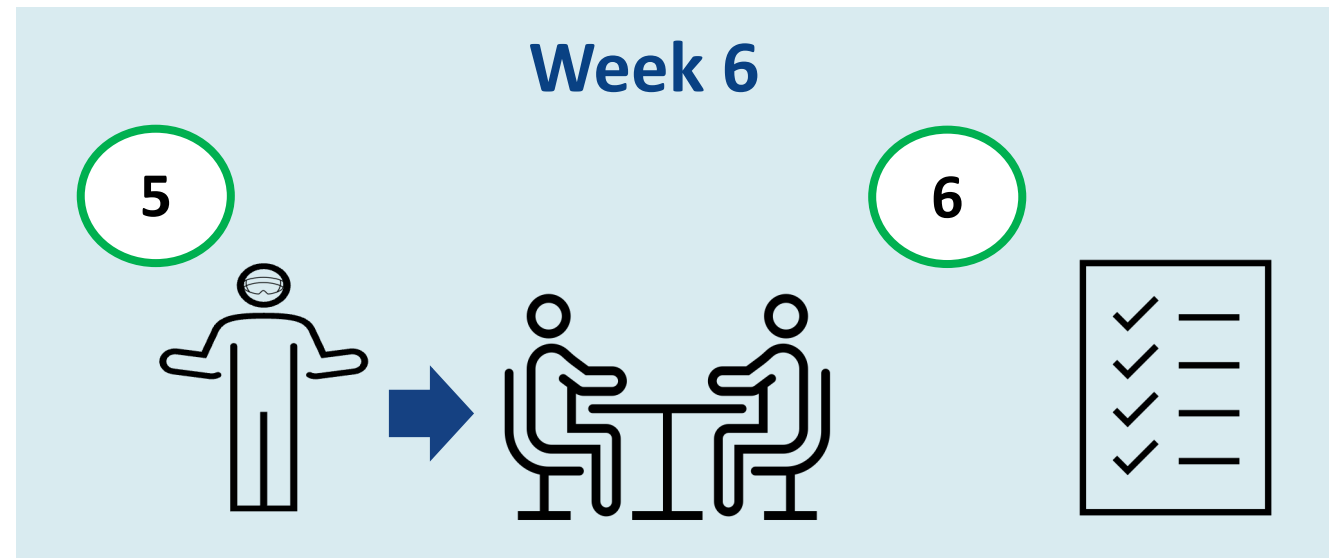
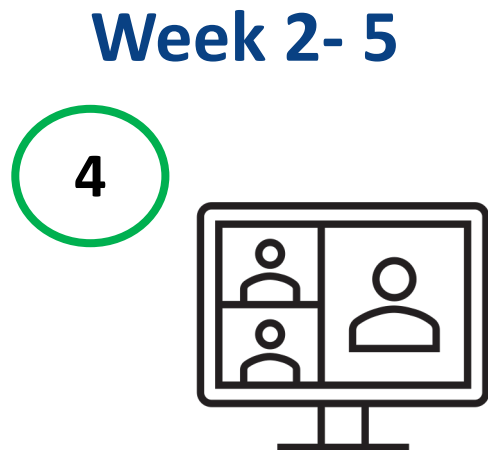
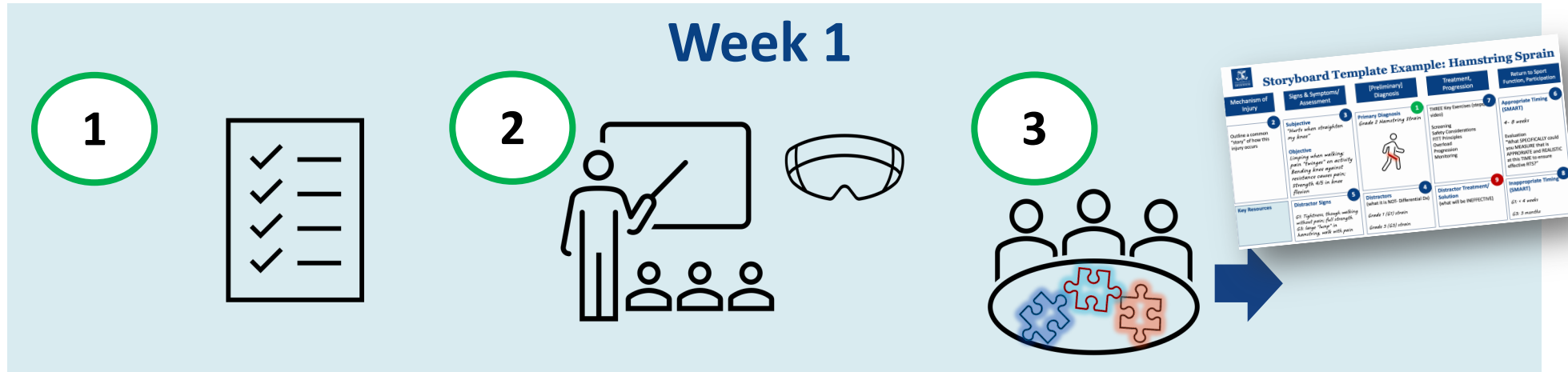
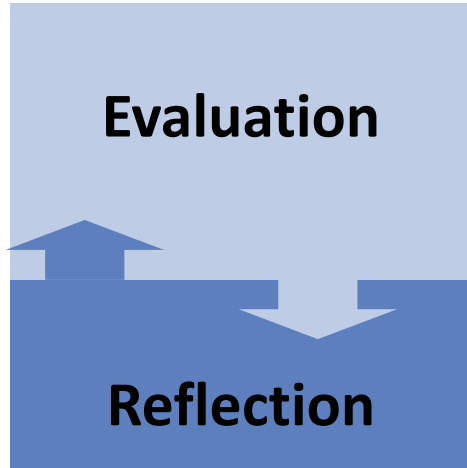


Familiarise,
Feedback, Debrief

Scalability



Evaluation and Reflection Phase



Storyboard Template Example: Hamstring Sprain

Mechanism of Injury

Outline a common "story" of how this injury occurs

Signs & Symptoms/ Assessment

Subjective

"Hurts when straighten my knee"

Objective

*Limping when walking;
pain "twinges" on activity
Bending knee against resistance causes pain;
Strength 4/5 in knee flexion*

[Preliminary] Diagnosis

Primary Diagnosis

Grade 2 Hamstring Strain



Treatment, Progression

THREE Key Exercises (steps, video)

Screening
Safety Considerations
FITT Principles
Overload
Progression
Monitoring

Return to Sport Function, Participation

Appropriate Timing (SMART)

4- 8 weeks

Evaluation
"What SPECIFICALLY could you MEASURE that is APPROPRIATE and REALISTIC at this TIME to ensure effective RTS?"

Inappropriate Timing (SMART)

G1: < 4 weeks

G3: 3 months

Key Resources

Distractor Signs

*G1: Tightness, though walking without pain; full strength
G3: large "lump" in hamstring, walk with pain*

Distractors

(what it is NOT- Differential Dx)

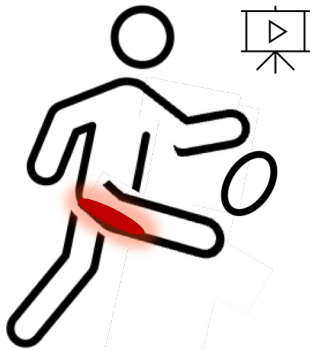
Grade 1 (G1) strain

Grade 3 (G3) strain

Distractor Treatment/ Solution

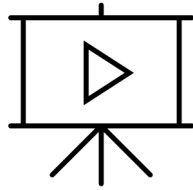
(what will be INEFFECTIVE)

Mechanism of Injury



"Dylan, a Div 2 club level AFL player has sustained a hamstring strain in pre-season training"

Signs & Symptoms/ Assessment



[Preliminary] Diagnosis

Grade 1 Hamstring Strain



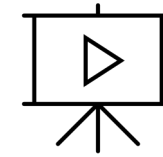
Grade 2 Hamstring Strain



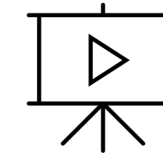
Grade 3 Hamstring Strain



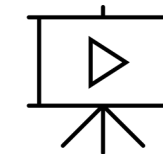
Treatment, Progression



Exercise 1



Exercise 2



Exercise 3

Return to Sport Function, Participation



<4 weeks



4- 8 weeks

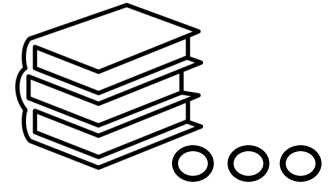


3 months

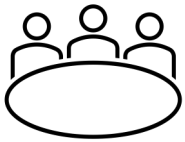


Timeframe

Theoretical
Development



1st Jul 2022
Confirmation



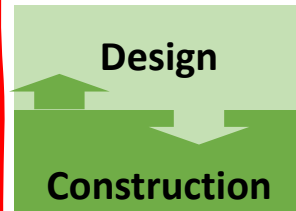
Sem 1, 2022
(May-Jun)
Ethics



Sem 2, 2022
(Oct- Dec)
Focus Group(s)



Sem 1-2, 2023
(Jan- Sept)



Sem 2, 2023
(Oct- Dec)

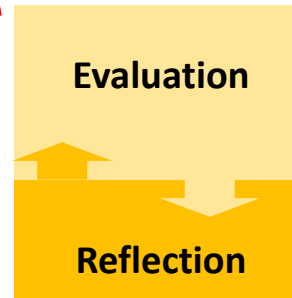
Maturing
Intervention

Theoretical
Understanding

Feb-April, 2024
Write-up



Sem 2, 2023
(6 weeks of Sept- Oct)
Intervention- 1st Iteration



Sem 1, 2024
(6 weeks of Jan-Feb)
Intervention- 2nd Iteration



1st July 2024
Thesis
Submission



Analysis
Exploration





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