Class Methods: Each agent class is required to have the following methods so that it is incorporated into the simulation correctly.

- 1. **init Function:** Collects all parameters used for identification and simulation. Creates a **cv** dictionary of values that can be used in later automation.
- 2. **getPref:** Uses information gathered from init process to return the agents PSLF reference object.
- 3. **getPvals:** Sets cv values to that of the PSLF object.
- 4. setPvals: Sets PSLF values to that of the python mirror
- 5. **makeAMQPmsg:** Creates a dictionary message that contains required information for find functions and any values that should be updated.
- 6. **recAMQPmsg:** Set the received AMQP message values to current agent values.
 - (a) AMQP functions require the agentUpdate AMQP function to be altered.
 - (b) A suitable find function is also required
 - (c) The find function should use a search dictionary to optimize searching.
- 7. **initRunningVals:** Create lists of appropriate length for any running values to be recorded during simulation.
- 8. logStep: Sets current values to corresponding running value in log lists.
 - (a) Agent collection must be added to the log collection so that its logStep method is called every step.
- 9. popUnsetData: Removes any unset data in the case of a system crash
- 10. **getDataDict:** Returns a dictionary with running values. Used for .MAT export.

runSim_IPY: Agent collection should be added to the agentPSLFupdate list.