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Local Health Policies and International Tele-medicine Applications

Rapid progress of tele-health technologies creates opportunities to deliver health care but also challenges local health policies. Correspondingly, interest is growing in learning about different systems of health care on both sides of Atlantic. In the United States, guaranteed access to health care technologies and government health programmes are attracting attention. In the European Community, managing health care and quality improvement techniques are in the forefront. A recent EC/US conference concluded that physicians and health administrators need to be trained to deal with more informed patients and advanced information technologies.

The goal of the proposed curriculum development and student exchange programme is to prepare students for the more international and information technology based health care system of the next century.

Main goals

Three universities from the United States, University of Missouri, Howard University, and Yale University, and three universities from the European Community, University of Regensburg, Aristotle University, and University La Laguna, will form the project team. This project will provide medical students and health administration students with practical experience and an international health care curriculum: (i) the practical experience component will enable the students to participate in internships or clinical rotations similar to those performed by students in their home country, to obtain a multi-cultural experience, and to learn about patient care or health administration in a foreign country; and (ii) the international tele-health curriculum will be provided through a two credit hour course titled "Local Health Policies and International Tele-medicine Applications" provided via satellite to travelling and non-mobile students of the consortium. This programme will offer students a multi-cultural experience of environments in which care is delivered in addition to applied technologies and attitudes and belief systems associated with disease and treatment.

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PROJECT TITLE	Local Health Policies and International Tele-medicine Applications
KEYWORDS	Tele-health technologies, mobility, multi-cultural patient care environment
NUMBER OF STUDENTS	Mobile: 60 Non-mobile: 120
STARTING DATE	Fall 1999
DURATION	3 years
TOTAL COST	Total: 396.610 euro EC Contribution: 135.052 euro
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