Abstract: Technology and informatics are key to the education of healthcare professionals. We realize that they live and work in the age of dynamically changing technology where they practice and conduct research to advance to profession. As educators and mentors our educational strategies must advance with the times. This presentation will discuss the myriad uses of technology as an educational tool to enhance and enrich the experience. Positive and negative implications of the use/dependency of technology will be explored as they relate to learning styles and the demands placed upon the healthcare profession by society.

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