DUTCH E-LEARNING WIDE OPEN FOR THE FEMALE CANCER PROGRAM INDONESIA

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Introduction

For more than a decade, the Female cancer Program (FcP) of the Leiden University Medical Center (LUMC) has the objective to reduce the incidence of cervical cancer worldwide. The FcP received a grant from the European Union (Asia-Link program) to improve the knowledge about cervical cancer and enhance the surgical skills for treatment on all levels of health service in Indonesia. This subprogram of the FcP is a cooperative initiative of the LUMC, the Netherlands, Leuven University, Belgium and Universitas Indonesia, Padjadjaran and Udayana, Indonesia.

Method

The program is based on a 'train-the-trainer' teaching principle, supported by an elearning environment (http://femalecancerprogram.org) that enables exchange of knowledge and provides access to scientific resources and e-learning modules. The elearning environment is essential for the distance learning process that reduces the costs of oversea face-to-face teaching.

To provide appropriate e-learning content, the LUMC has developed 6 patient simulations on female cancer as a joined effort for the residents at the local department of gynecology as well as the FcP. The LUMC put to the FcP's disposal their computer based training distribution system, MedicalEducation.nl (http://medicaleducation.nl) and linked their administration to the FcP e-learning environment to provide a single sign-on structure for users in Indonesia.

Results

6 Simulations are now available in Dutch and English for anyone with an Internet connected PC free of charge. The single sign-on structure provides easy access to MedicalEdcuation.nl from Indonesia, unlocking the simulations and all other 150 English e-learning modules that are currently available.

Benefits to participants

This presentation is of interest to anyone who would like to share their existing or newly produced computer based training materials for distance learning purposes or is interested in dynamic simulation about female cancer. You can join us and put online your teaching

materials for easy access by your own students and in the process help to build up the knowledge and skills of health service elsewhere.

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