MEDICALEDUCATION.NL A NATIONAL REPOSITORY FOR E-LEARNING IN THE NETHERLANDS



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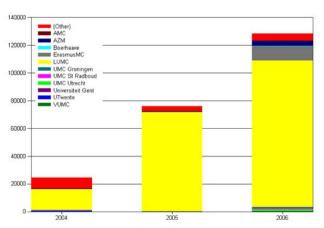
Introduction

MedicalEducation.nl is a repository on the Internet for Web-based medical E-Learning programs of all Dutch universities. The repository was launched in 2004 to facilitate easy access to medical E-Learning, coach students in their individual learning path and support exchange of programs between universities. Account creation and use of MedicalEducation.nl is free of charge.

Evaluation

To gather more information about the actual use of E-Learning, a monitoring system was set up for MedicalEducation.nl that registers the:

- number of new accounts per month,
- sessions per hour, day, week, month and year,
- study duration,
- session timeframe (in/outside office hours),
- number of available E-Learning programs,
- providing/consuming university ratio,
- type of Web browser usage by clients.



Number of sessions per year

Results

In the past three years the number of accounts went up to 7931. Among the users students from all 8 Dutch- and several international universities are represented, as well as representatives from other levels of education and local hospitals.

689 programs, provided by over 10 different institutions, are now available online. The number of study sessions per year grew from 25 thousand in 2004 to 130 thousand in 2006, resulting in 28841 student contact hours (measured over 38% of the sessions).

References

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Benefit to participants

MedicalEducation.nl is the main repository for medical E-Learning in the Netherlands. It contains both Dutch and English E-Learning material, provided free of charge. You can create an account and use the material that is present or contribute to the arsenal with your own material.

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