New Possibility in Medical Education

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Over the last years, a lot of attention has been paid to studying the possibilities of using Multimedia on the Internet as a vehicle for open learning. The WWW system proposes a new way for merging and sharing information in workgroups for educational purposes. As the World Wide Web may ultimately become the delivery mechanism for the majority of education and training worldwide, more emphasis is needed to ground further development in strong theoretical principles related to learning. Our goal was to explore how to integrate it into the medical curriculum in order to lay the foundation of future professional development.

This paper reviews the education in medical informatics at the University of Szeged. All the topics are illustrated with practical examples. The description includes a brief outline of the curriculum, together with the hardware system configuration, software tools, some applications, samples and a description of methodology.