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Continuing Medical Education Initiative for the Globalized World

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A strong and vital health workforce is an investment in health for today and the future. The ultimate goal is a workforce that can guarantee universal access to health care to all citizens in every country. The country coordinating mechanism model has potential to encourage new and innovative alliances among partners in recipient countries, drawing on the active participation of civil society and the private sector. Such broad membership might help to improve the quality of funding proposals, increase information-sharing and trust between planners and healthcare workers and contribute to a strong sense of shared ownership. These initiatives strengthen and reflect high-level, sustained political involvement and can support the scale-up of programs within the health sector and across sectors. The focus should be building on, complement and coordinate with existing regional and nationals programs to create government / private / NGO partnerships. The use of information science and telecommunications to support the practice of medicine when distance separates the caregiver from the patient is the way forward to make medical care more affordable and more accessible in every country.

Project Outline: The Women's Health and Education Center had the honor to launch this e-learning project (http://www.WomensHealthSection.com) in association with the Department of Public Information of the United Nations on 24 October 2002. We are embarking on a new era in medicine and healthcare. Our mission is to make evidencebased medicine available to national and international audience. To reach the global community and to serve national and international needs, the text is available in six languages: Arabic, Chinese, (US) English, French, Russian, and Spanish. The syllabus of our project is designed to stress common, everyday health-care issues in women's health. Most of all, however, we hope that the contents will motivate future research that will further enhance the understanding of reproductive health. Education is the best gift in life both to give and to receive.

The main purpose of WomensHealthSection com is to provide a platform for the international exchange of experience, ideas and opinion on all aspects of public health with special focus on Women's Healthcare. The scope of WomensHealthSection.com is clear from its subtitle: "Women's Health Education - A Global Community". Any reader who actively participates in the process of health development should find much of interest in this publication. This includes not only those actively working in the field of health but also professionals in other sectors to whom health issues are important -- economists, sociologists, educators, government officials, and all whose responsibilities are affected by health considerations. Political commitment & recognition of women's rights can ensure that every woman receives the care she needs and when she needs it. It is a basic determinant of the health of future generations.

WomensHealthSection.com is a global, Web-enabled platform for multiple forms of collaboration. This platform enables individuals, groups, companies, and universities anywhere in the world to collaborate? for the purposes of innovation, education, research and to advance the causes peace, health and development. It has reached 212 countries and territories and linked to 6,500 US Educational sites / libraries; 20,800 online courses in developing

countries; 30,000 websites and we get about 15,000 to 20,000 visitors per day; (400,000 per month, and 4.5 million visitors a year). It is an Open Access Journal in Women's Healthcare and its popularity is growing fast with US Education, in USA and other countries. We invite you to tap into this platform, and finally, the governance to get the best out of this platform.

The articles in e-learning publication WomensHealthSection.com provide an overview of current clinical management guidelines in Women's Health, focusing on the components integral to providing optimum care. The articles are designed for all members of the interdisciplinary team: physicians, physicians-assistants, nurse practitioners, midwives, nurses, social workers, therapists and other members seeking to enhance their knowledge of women's health and appropriate care and management. WomensHealthSection.com is a vision for the Globalized World. The use of information science and telecommunications to support the practice of medicine when distance separates the caregiver from the patient is the way forward to make medical care more affordable and more accessible in every country. Our goal is to promote excellence in the clinical practice of obstetrics and gynecology and closely related fields.

Areas for Future Development:

The need for a global fund for continuing medical education (a vision for the globalized world): With the turn of century, the global community has recognized that basic health is a prerequisite for sustainable development. It has profound effect on the citizens of the world and political, economic, social systems. Continuing medical education is beneficial to both donor and recipient countries and can engage public and private stakeholders towards common goals. Creating a global fund and partnership for continuing medical education has potential to increase resources to fight infectious diseases in developing countries and to direct those resources to areas of greatest need.

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