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Current REV newsletter highlight:

Keynote address by Maria Teresa Mijares Pisano

Limitations for the implementation of Telemedicine and Telehealth Projects: Based on the Ecuadorian experience

Abstract:

The use of Telemedicine and Telehealth has proven advantages and results at a world-wide level. It started with applications for government and defense departments; however at the present time it has expanded, to integrate its usage for rural areas, because of its benefits for the inhabitants of isolated regions, where basic services such as water, electricity, health and communication are almost absent.

Ecuador does not want to remain outside of this wave of benefits and concrete solutions or applications, for that reason and with a realistic point of view; we have analyzed and determined the limitations that have prevented our Country to utilize this trend at a wide national level.

Additionally, to intent to solve this limitations, we would like to present in this Keynote speech, some suggested solutions that include the fact that our future work, must be a result of joint efforts between non governmental organizations such us our foundation, private and public institutions, international organizations and their experiences, hand by hand with the governmental agencies. With this approach, we expect to be able to generate cost-effective, measurable and applicable solutions at a complete National level, and especially sustainable in long periods of time with the support and participation of the local communities which are the main beneficiaries of these applications.

Short biography:



Mrs. Maria Teresa Mijares Pisano was born in Venezuela, but has lived most of her life in Ecuador, over 19 years. During this time she has enjoyed the beauty of this country and its people, but also has closely seen the needs of the inhabitants in rural areas. Mrs. Mijares also has seen the benefits that Telemedicine and Telehealth has provided to countries such us India, Butan, Brasil, Peru among so many others, and believes that this can be a helpful tool for Ecuadorians as well. For this reason since 2001 she has made Telemedicine and Telehealth a personal and professional matter, and this prompted her to create the Ecuadorian Foundation for Telemedicine and Telehealth a non profit organization to promote and work to achieve lasting results in the communities.

Personal Statement:

"It will be a pleasure to participate in the REV International Conference, and an honor to be able to share some ideas and expectations with the attendees of the conferences. I am also very interested in listening to the conferences that will be presented in topics such us virtual and remote laboratories, teleservice and telediagnosis, telerobotics and so many others.

I am looking forward to visit Dusseldorf and specially the University of Applied Sciences Dusseldorf where so many interesting and pioneer projects have been created over the years. I hope that the information that I will share regarding Ecuador, its people, and the projects that we have for future developments can generate interest and possible joint collaboration among the participants of REV 2008, and hopefully create a net of virtual and personal telehealth and teleducational exchange".

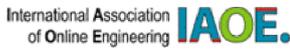
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- Homepage of Ecuadorian Foundation for Telemedicine and Telehealth
<http://www.telemedicinaecuador.com>
- Homepage of Institute of Telemedicine and Telehealth at University San Francisco de Quito
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