



MedEdPortal: ORAL HEALTH RESOURCES FOR HEALTH PROFESSIONS EDUCATORS.

Dr. Saeed Deshpande

Associate Professor

Department of Prosthodontics, VSPM's Dental College & Research Center

MedEdPortal is a unique web-based peer-reviewed publication venue for clinical health educators sponsored by the Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC) and The American Dental Education Association (ADEA).

Features:

It is a free online international publication venue where educators in the health professions may publish and share educational resources.

Published resources are available to educators, administrators, students, and the general public around the globe.

Serve as the premier clearing house of high-quality, peer-reviewed health education tools; Promote inter-professional collaboration by facilitating the open exchange of educational resources across the health professions; and equip health professionals across the continuum with effective and efficient educational resources to improve patient care.

iCollaborative:

Part of MedEdPortal's new suite of services, the iCollaborative is a non-peer reviewed repository for innovative concepts, poster abstracts, workshop

content, and other information sharing. All materials in iCollaborative are available at no charge to the general public around the globe. Students, educators, practitioners, researchers and administrators of the health professions are invited to submit to the iCollaborative.

CE Directory:

The third component in MedEdPortal's suite of services, CE Directory allows users to find evidence-based online activities for continuing education credit.

There are over 2,000 medical and dental resources available to anyone worldwide. Oral health resources constitute approximately 30 percent of the total resources, which included cross-indexing with information relevant to both medical and dental audiences. There are several types of dental resources available; the most common are the ones focusing on critical thinking. The usage of MedEdPortal has been growing, with participation from over 190 countries and 10,000 educational institutions around the world. MedEdPortal is providing a new forum for collaboration and opens venues for promising future work in professional education.