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Electronic dentistry: An essential shift of the future

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Electronic Dentistry is an exciting and relatively new field of dentistry that fuses electronic health records, telecommunications technology, digital imaging, and the Internet to link health providers in rural or remote communities. For the patient located in underserved or remote areas, Electronic Dentistry improves ready access to preventive dental care and teleconsultation with specialists. It allows the dentist in the nearby community to provide easier access to preventive care to patient who, otherwise, probably will not seek care. Most dentists and dental educators are unaware that Electronic Dentistry can be used not only for increased access to dental care, but also for advanced dental education. This review discusses the history, scope, and applicability of electronic dentistry by considering the literature from various sources. This is an attempt to reinforce the awareness on electronic dentistry among the dental practitioners in developing countries.

Biography

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