Health informatics deployment in Nigeria

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Abstract

Information and Communication Technology (ICT) has become a major tool in delivery of health services and has had a revolutionary impact on how we live and perceive the world. ICT has given birth to the contemporary “Es” such as e-learning, e-commerce, e-governance, e-banking, e-shopping and e-health, the primary focus of this paper. In this paper, we discuss ICT in Nigeria with focus on three common ICT indicators: Internet, computing and telephony. We review the past and present state of health informatics in Nigeria, in comparison to the United Kingdom as examples of less developed and developed nations. We also analyse the problems facing successful implementation of health informatics in Nigeria and suggest possible solutions.

Keywords

Information and Communication Technology; ICT Indicators; health Informatics

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