Trends, Faculty Needs and New Directions in Medical Education

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What are the trends?

- Large classes
- Reduced lecture attendance
- Teaching fatigue
- Compassion fatigue
- Hospital versus Community
- Incentives for good teaching
- New teaching styles and technologies
- Teaching versus Learning
Large classes

- Space problems
- Uniform versus Customized teaching
- Frontal lecturing versus interactive learning
Reduced lecture attendance

- Frustration of teachers
- Alternative channels for learning
Teaching fatigue

- In some clinical rotations
- In updating courses and teaching methods
Compassion fatigue

- Teachers
- Students
Hospital versus Community

- Career choices of students
- HMO’s that are not committed to teaching
- Negative examples in community services
Incentives for good teaching

- Minor weight for promotion
- Appreciation as a rewarding activity
- Opportunities to excel
New teaching styles and technologies

- Small group teaching
- Flipped classroom
- E-learning
- Simulation
Teaching versus Learning

- Shifting the burden to the students
- Teachers role in guidance of students
- Changes in learning evaluation
Faculty needs

- Faculty development
- Leadership in medical education
- Mentoring for teachers
- Trade-off with other duties
- An institutional culture that encourages and rewards teaching
New directions

- Shifting more teaching to the community
- Several levels of teachers’ training
- Options for medical education as a major life career
- Research in medical education
- New projects in education (Yerucham)
The “Yerucham project”-objectives

- To learn principles of primary community medicine
- To learn how to manage chronic medical problems and how to prevent their complications
- To contribute to the health of the people of Yerucham
- To Encourage students to conduct the MD thesis on community issues
- To encourage students to choose community medicine as their future career choice and in the Negev
The “Yerucham Project”

- 4 fifth-year students
- 20 encounters / year
- 2 preceptors
- Stipends for students
- 14 candidates in this year
- Extension to new communities