INFORMED: Melanoma and Skin Cancer Early Detection

The INFORMED (INternet curriculum FOR Melanoma Early Detection) program was developed to provide a Web-based early detection training program available for widespread use that is grounded in the realities of primary care delivery, and which includes a deep image database. INFORMED is transforming melanoma education by engaging the learner. In addition, the INFORMED program provides training in dermoscopy (epiluminescence microscopy), which has been proven to increase diagnostic accuracy during the skin examination.

INFORMED was created by a diverse team, from multiple institutions, with expertise in melanoma early detection, medical education for cancer prevention, clinician interventions including large health systems, screening, and Web-based instruction.

With a grant from the Melanoma Research Alliance (MRA) the INFORMED (INternet curriculum FOR Melanoma Early Detection) group set to create an educational course targeted toward primary care physicians.

The immediate goal of the curriculum is to improve the detection of skin cancers by increasing physician clinical knowledge and diagnostic skills. Through this curriculum the ultimate goal is to reduce the skin cancer mortality rate.

http://brown.edu/Research/Melanoma_Research_Project/Brown_Web_Course/site_map/player.html