

## **Social networking for early childhood education and development**

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Early Childhood education is considered to be one of the most important aspects of a country's education process. Unlike other areas of education, early childhood education needs an integrated approach from various parties including Government, teachers, students, parents and health care services. However most countries especially developing countries have so far failed to integrate those systems effectively resulting low quality and inefficient system for early childhood education and development.

Therefore we are proposing a social networking model that allows all the relevant parties to contribute efficiently to the early childhood education and development process. It is a web based infrastructure that facilitates communication among parties such as parents, doctors, teachers, government, donor agencies and community. Further, it will provide the much needed analytical capabilities needed for the decision making process and research activities. The infrastructure for the social net work is based on Information Technology. That means the processes will be enabled through the internet and mobile communication. However, in our paper we have discussed how this social networking model can be implemented in developing countries by eliminating existing barriers such as cost factor and poor internet accessibility.

We have kept a strong eye towards the research and other recommendation of the international organization like UNESCO and UNICEF. We believe that by implementing this type of a networking model governments can accelerate their drives towards the millennium development Goals. Because education is one of the main accepts defined among the Millennium Development Goals. This type of a Social Networking model would certainly help the common masses to achieve high quality education for their children through the benefits of Information technology.

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