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MEDICAL EDUCATION AND TECHNOLOGY

Request: The Associated Medical Schools (AMS) of New York urges the New York State (NYS) Legislature to support funding to further enhance the use of technology for administering, managing and evaluating medical school curricula.

Background: With the explosion of increasingly complex medical techniques over the past twenty years to both diagnose and treat disease, technology is becoming a crucial element in preparing medical students for careers as physicians.

New York's medical schools educate and train approximately 23,000 medical students and residents each year. Technology is now used in all facets of medical education from basic anatomy to complicated surgical procedures. Simulations of these procedures provide the opportunity to understand the details of a procedure before implementing it in a real life situation. Technology also allows the student to visualize information in an innovative work environment. The use of technology in medical education empowers the individual by providing instantaneous access to information as well as supplying practical and easy to use tools to manage information.

New York's medical students deserve access to the forefront of the technological aspects of medical education. New York's medical schools need additional resources to invest in technology for education and training programs.