EXPLORING THE POTENTIAL IMPACT OF A TECHNOLOGY-ASSISTED STUDENT FEEDBACK TOOL (TSFT) ON MEDICAL EDUCATORS AND THEIR SELF-DEVELOPMENT

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Background



- Many medical educators have not received formal educator training
- Need to cultivate long-term positive reflective and teaching practices
- Effect of neoliberalism on higher education
- Shift from formative to summative function
- Rise of technology



Areas for investigation

- The need and acceptability of TSFT among medical educators
- Possible opportunities that may emerge for various stakeholders
- Potential issues that should be considered in advance

Research questions

- What are medical educators' perceptions of TSFT?
- Can it be useful as a stimulant for self-reflection and influence changes in their approaches to teaching?
- What place may it have at the institutional and/or professional level?

TSFT Prototype

Questionnaire customisation form

Dear Participant X,

As mentioned previously today, please could you fill in the following table so I can then proceed to create an evaluation form for you. I have included a sample evaluation form on the next page for your reference. The annotations show the different answer formats and the additional requests you may make for each.

Please note:

- You may include up to 10 questions/statements
- The following answer formats are available:
 - Multiple choice
 - Star rating
 - Comment box
 - Slider

Question/Statement	Answer format	Additional Requests
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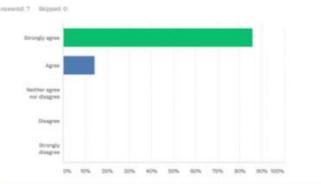


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MEDICAL EDUCATION STUDENT

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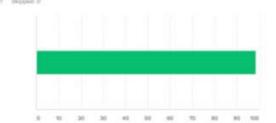


The instructor improved my understanding of the material.

Accepted 7 Skipped 0



How would you rate the overall effectiveness of your instructor?



ACCORDING TO YOUR STUDENTS, YOU DID WELL WHEN YOU...

- Explained the techniques required for different areas of the examination
- Gave a great explanation of the anatomical position of the organs and why we do each part of the examination
- Asked students if they had any questions at regular periods

YOUR STUDENTS THOUGHT IT WOULD BE EVEN BETTER IF...

- You spoke a little louder
- Ensured that you explain the reason for why a technique is being used

Methods & Methodology

Paradigms: pragmatism and interpretivism

Sampling and recruitment: purposive critical case sampling

Data collection: 2 sets of semi-structured interviews, 1 pilot test

Analysis: reflexive thematic analysis, respondent validation

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Value

- Age/experience
- Identity
- Time

Students as feedback providers

- Capability
- Motivation

Results

Boundaries

- Ways of use
- Data accessibility

User design

- Characteristics
- Digital functions
- Support

Students as feedback providers

- Capability
 - Quality and accuracy of student feedback
 - Student perceptions of a 'good education'
 - Influence by external, unrelated factors
- Motivation
 - Behaviourist incentivisation versus professional mutualism
 - Nature of motivation affecting nature of feedback



Value



Age/experience

- Novice lecturers versus all lecturers
- Lifelong learning and continuing professional development (CPD)

Identity

- Medical educator identity
- Teacher self-efficacy: determinant and consequence

Time

- Most significant limiting factor
- Inevitable opportunity costs

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Boundaries

Ways of use

- Developmental adjunct
- Quality monitoring
- Use in nationwide rankings

Data accessibility

- Various potential stakeholders
- Privacy concerns and surveillance



User design





Characteristics

- Customisation
- Appropriate timing



Digital functions

- Digital data collation and analysis
- Digital administrator



Support

- Technological support for educators
- Pedagogical support for educators and students

Conclusions

- TSFT is a possible improvement to the educator's developmental eco-system
- Potential impact is multi-factorial
- Recommendation for deliberate and targeted usage
- Predicted most acceptable form: strictly self-development tool with privatised data
- Forseeable challenges: competition for data, modification of current prototype
- Further investigations with various stakeholders necessary

THANK YOU



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