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## From August 21st to October 28th, 34 members from 17 institutions of the **RENATA** Health Community will be part of the "Postgraduate Programme in Telemedicine", which will be 100% virtual and asynchronous, giving great flexibility to the students.

In order to respond efficiently to the needs in telemedicine of the institutions belonging to the  $\underline{R}$ ENATA

Health Community and train them to solve more accurately the health needs of the country, a postgraduate of three months will develop around that topic. Two members of each of the 17 institutions belonging to the Community will have the opportunity to participate through modules that will be available on line the 24 hours of the day during the course, which will allow students to manage independently their time and dedication to the program.

"Through the leaders of the RENATA Health Community we manage with the CES (institution that will certify the postgraduate) this programme to train members of the Community of the 17 institutions working in telemedicine, diagnostic and remote consultation through the RENATA infrastructure, "said Lucas Giraldo Rios, Executive Director of RENATA.

In the programme will participate doctors and engineers interested in doing collaborative work through the advanced Internet of RENATA. Giraldo Rios added that this year, the RENATA Health Community will also participate in a mission to Brazil for the linkage with this country on telemedicine and will lead the health axis of the IX National Thematic Meeting RENATA - UNIRED, to be held in October in Bucaramanga.

"One of the goals of the RENATA Health Community is to continue to assist the Colombian government in the development of actions related with the work in telemedicine to the social inclusion associated with health issues in the country," said Giraldo.

This community is being led by Dr. Elsa Maria Serpa, FCV Director - Corporate University, and Andres Fernandez, Head of Telecommunications at the Imbanaco Medical Center, along with the team of RENATA. Evely Garcia Osorio, Deputy Director of Finance and Administration in RENATA, noted that "the members of the RENATA Health Community will be benefit with a high quality academic programme that normally would be worth \$ 3,000,000 per student and in the case, belonging to the RENATA Health Community, will have no cost to the institutions."