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### **Health2.0 Seminar in the Netherlands**

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Nictiz, the National IT Institute for Healthcare in the Netherlands, organised a seminar on Health2.0 on February 12, 2009. The seminar promoted Health2.0 as a way to empower patients and emphasised the fact that the majority of patients research information on the Internet before visiting a physician.

Health2.0 applications allow cooperation between patients and caregivers and the sharing of information. There were four presentations at the seminar including speakers from Nexthealth.nl, who talked about the definition of Health2.0 and a representative from the Dutch Association for eHealth (NVEH) who assessed how far the concept has been developed. The seminar portrayed a clear-cut message about what Health2.0 implies for health consumers and highlighted the value of the concept regarding the doctor-patient relationship

For more information, please visit: [www.nictiz.nl](http://www.nictiz.nl), [www.health20forum.nl](http://www.health20forum.nl)

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