Abstract

Based on the new institutionalism approach, this documentary based research deals with the discussion about the professional profile of physicians graduated from the Venezuelan autonomous universities versus the students from the government-supported program named Integral Community Medicine. These students are trained for future work in Misión Barrio Adentro, a community health program. The results show that the position of dividing future Venezuelan physicians into two opposite sides is manichean: liberal medical doctors from autonomous universities vs. socialist and revolutionary workers from Misión Sucre (university program supported by the government).

Keywords

Mission Barrio Adentro, medical education, integral community medicine, Venezuela.