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Abstract

The present study examines intervention programs with the contribution of information and communication technology to preschool children with diffuse developmental disorder. To achieve its purpose, it introduces the issue of multimodal socio-emotional interactions and the decisive role they play in how children develop. The work examines pervasive developmental disorder, presenting its definitions from a prior literature, examining the etiology and prevalence of the disorder and then presenting the clinical picture and symptoms of people with ASD. Then, the criteria as presented by the DSM-V are examined, and finally, the social, communicative, and abnormal behaviors as they appear in recent literature, combined with other signs of autism. In addition, the use of ICT in the preschool environment, the modern combinations of ICT and Autism and, finally, the curricula of ICT use in children with autism are presented. Subsequently, the work examines the combination of new technologies in the treatment or management of IAD and finally ICT in interventions for diffuse developmental disorder. Finally, the work presents the discussion and the conclusions.

Keywords: Developmental Disorder, ICT, educational intervention

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