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Portal to help patients with spinal injuries

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New Delhi: In a unique initiative, a group of wheelchair-bound patients and experts from across the world are going to start an e-learning portal on spinal injuries for patients and professionals dealing with the debilitating condition.

The portal will have information on the prevention of injury, pre-hospital and acute care of injury management, physiotherapy, psychosocial management of the patient and family, said H S Chabra, medical director of the Indian Spinal Injuries Centre, the representative from India.

He said that a two-day workshop would be held in the capital to finalize the details for the portal. "More than 218 experts from 25 countries, including some wheelchair-bound patients, are pooling their expertise and experiences to develop the educational resource."

Chabra added, "The project will be launched in September at the International Spinal Cord Society's meeting in London."