

# The Power of Telehealth in an Ever-Changing World

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# Overview

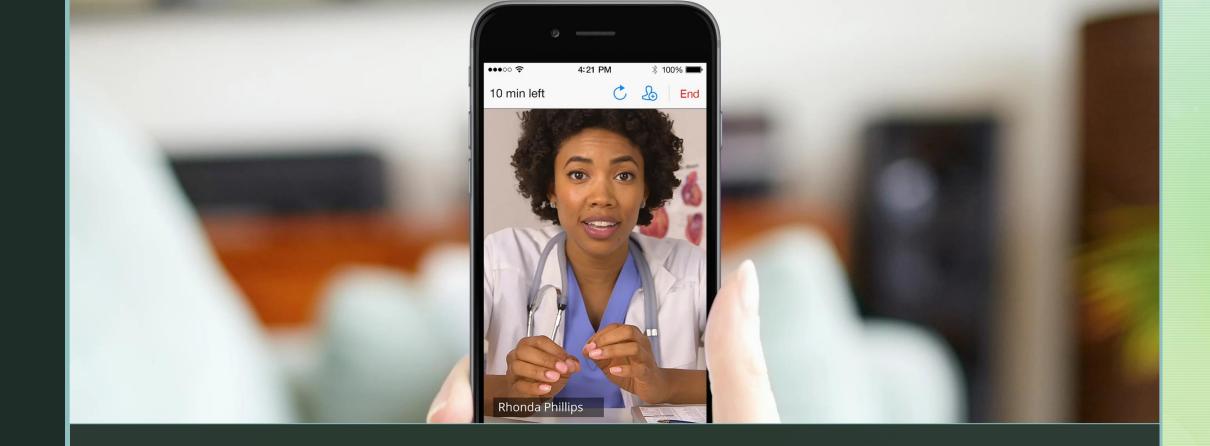
This presentation will focus on the multiple benefits associated with telehealth technology.

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# What Is Telehealth

Telehealth offers healthcare using digital devices such as computers and smartphones. In most cases, telemedicine uses video conferencing. However, some providers choose to offer care via email or phone messaging.





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#### Benefits To Patients

Lower Costs: Blasco et al., (2012) suggests that people who use telemedicine-

- Spend less time in the hospital, providing cost savings
- Less commuting time & may mean fewer secondary expenses, such as childcare and gas

#### **Improved Access to Care:**

- Patients with disabilities
- Older adults
- Patients who are geographically isolated
- Those who are incarcerated

#### Benefits To Patients

#### Preventative Care:

Telemedicine may make it easier for people to access preventive care that improves their long-term health. This is especially true for people with financial or geographic barriers to quality care.



- Example: A 2012 study of people with coronary artery disease found that preventive telemedicine improved health outcomes (Blanco et al., 2012).
- Web-based telemonitoring system, connecting patients provided with self-measurement devices and care managers via mobile phone text messages, as a tool for Secondary Prevention (SP).

#### Benefits To Patients

#### **Convenience:**

- Access to care in the comfort and privacy of their own home
- Less time off work
- Less need for childcare

#### **Reduced Risks:**

Underlying conditions or weak immune systems

#### Benefits for Providers

Reduced overhead expenses:

Providers who offer telemedicine services may incur fewer overhead costs. For example, they may pay less for front desk support or be able to invest in an office space with fewer exam rooms.  Additional revenue stream: Clinicians may find that telemedicine supplements their income because it allows them to provide care to more patients.

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#### Benefits for Providers

 Less exposure to illness and infections: When providers see patients remotely, they do not have to worry about exposure to any pathogens the patient may carry.

 Patient satisfaction: When a patient does not have to travel to the office or wait for care, they may be happier with their provider



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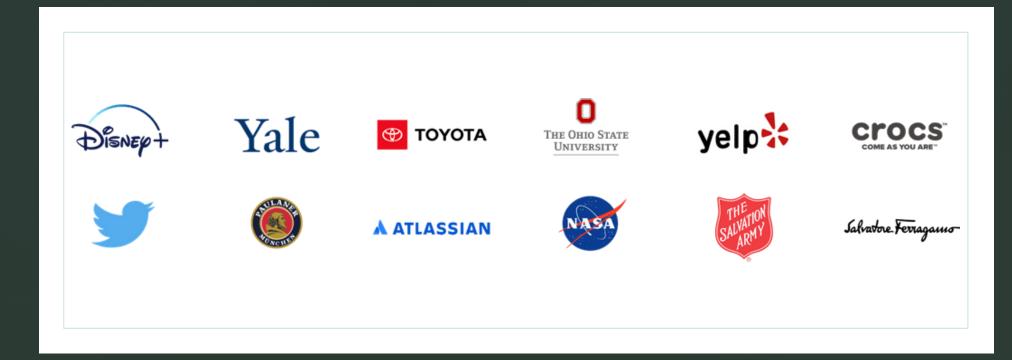
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