Telehealth and Mobile Health

Here are six resources to review and to help support your knowledge and understanding of this topic prior to the discussion.

Fact Sheet: Telehealth

Author: American Hospital Association (AHA)

Telehealth connects patients to vital healthcare services through video conferencing, remote monitoring, electronic consults, and wireless communications. By increasing access to physicians and specialists, telehealth helps ensure patients receive the right care, at the right place, at the right time. This factsheet outlines the issues of telehealth and its usage.

Telehealth Fact Sheets

Author: National Organization of State Offices of Rural Health (NOSORH)

Telehealth is the use of electronic information and telecommunications technology to support the delivery of health, health education, public health and health administration. The Telehealth Fact Sheets developed with input from the membership of National Organization of State Offices of Rural Health (NOSORH), Educational Exchange Committee and the Telehealth Resource Centers, focus on five different areas related to commonly asked questions by rural communities. The fact sheets include information on telehealth policy barriers, reimbursement and vendor selection.

2019 Telehealth Services Fact Sheet

Author: Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)

This telehealth fact sheet from CMS covers topics including originating sites, distant site practitioners, telehealth services, telehealth billing and payment, resources, and helpful websites and Regional Office Rural Health Coordinators.

Telehealth Assessment

Author: National Rural Health Resource Center (The Center), Huron Consulting Group

The Telehealth assessment provides services to hospitals and/or clinics to assess the organization's knowledge of, and capability to support and provide, telehealth services.

Rural Telehealth Toolkit

Author: Rural Health Information Hub (RHIhub)

The Rural Telehealth Toolkit compiles evidence-based and promising models and resources to support organizations in identifying and implementing telehealth programs to address common challenges experienced in rural communities across the United States.

Telehealth Start-Up and Resource Guide

Author: Telligen, Great Plains Telehealth Resource and Assistance Center (gpTRAC)

This start-up and resource guide was created in partnership between Telligen and the Great Plains Telehealth Resource and Assistance Center (gpTRAC). The guide provides an overview and framework for implementing telehealth in critical access hospitals and rural areas. It also points the reader to reliable and informative resources for learning about telehealth and the organizations that support the use of telehealth in various ways. This guide aggregates information about policy considerations (e.g., licensing), best practices, toolkits and the benefits of telehealth to health care organizations in terms of improving outcomes and generating revenue. The resource is available as a link listed on the gpTRAC webpage above.