What is Telehealth?

Telehealth is the use of electronic information and telecommunications technologies to support distance clinical health care, patient and professional health-related education, public health, and health administration.

Telehealth includes distance clinical care provided through telemedicine, as well as non-clinical communications, such as self-monitoring, education, and operations.

Delivery of telehealth only requires a computer/tablet, an internet connection, a camera, a microphone, and videoconferencing software.

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WyTN

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Wyoming Telehealth Consortium

The Wyoming Telehealth Consortium was created by the Wyoming Legislature **(W.S. 9-2-117)** in 2009 to promote telehealth in Wyoming. The Consortium includes the Wyoming Department of Enterprise Technology Services, the Wyoming Department of Health, private and public healthcare agencies.

Current Consortium Priorities

- Improving implementation of telehealth services via Wyoming providers
- Education on best practice for service delivery
- Overcoming economic barriers
- Increasing collaboration among in-state hospitals and clinics
- Addressing the mental health provider shortage in the state
- Increasing awareness of current telehealth resources

WyTN Partners

Wyoming Department of Health

Wyoming Hospitals

Wyoming Medical Associations

Wyoming Health Organizations

University of Wyoming College of Health Sciences

Private/Public Telehealth Champions

Healthcare Quality Improvement Organizations

Wyoming Telehealth Network

The Wyoming Telehealth Network (WyTN) increases access to telehealth technology, resources, and education so that Wyoming residents can have better healthcare.

The WyTN is a legislatively mandated activity of the Wyoming Telehealth Consortium and is financially supported through the Wyoming Department of Health, Office of Rural Health.

The goal of this network is to significantly increase the provision of health services through the use of technology, implemented through best and promising practices.

The WyTN acts as a hub to connect everyone with an interest in telehealth. Additionally, the WyTN improves implementation of telehealth in healthcare practices through technical and procedural support and technology provision.

Services

WyTN services are provided at no cost to any healthcare entity interested in telehealth:

Professional Development through the facilitation of:

- Webinars - monthly
- Wyoming Telehealth Consortium
- Special interest groups
- TeleECHO Clinics

Policy and Procedure Support

Free HIPAA-secure Zoom videoconferencing accounts to Wyoming providers for the delivery of telehealth

Technical Assistance for telehealth implementation

- Utilizing videoconferencing software
- Creating an organizational workflow

Wyoming Telehealth Network - By the Numbers

For every **$1.00** provided through the Wyoming Department of Health, Office of Rural Health, Wyoming Institute for Disabilities contributed **$0.44** to help sustain the WyTN.[1]

354 telehealth providers delivering telehealth via WyTN Zoom accounts in **41** different specialties including mental health/ counseling, speech/ language, primary care, diabetes education[2]

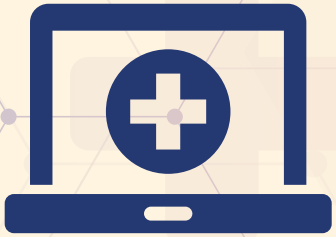
3,660 Zoom clinical/direct service meetings[2,3]

2,504 Zoom administrative meetings[2,3]

1,892 Zoom education/ meetings[2,3]

17 Telehealth Consortium Calls facilitated by WyTN with **15** attendees averaged per call[1]

34 webinars & **741** participants[1]



92% of participants reported that useful information was learned at webinar[1]

94% of participants planning to share webinar information[1]

377 technical assistance encounters provided by WyTN staff[1]

[1]From June 2016, when Wyoming Institute for Disabilities began coordinating the WyTN

[2]From March 2017

[3]reported