



DPH Telemedicine

Georgia's Telemedicine Services

Georgia's Department of Public Health (DPH) has established a telemedicine network that is recognized as one of the most robust and comprehensive public health telemedicine networks in the nation and a best-practices model of care.



Network Overview



Technology is rapidly improving patient access to care in Georgia:

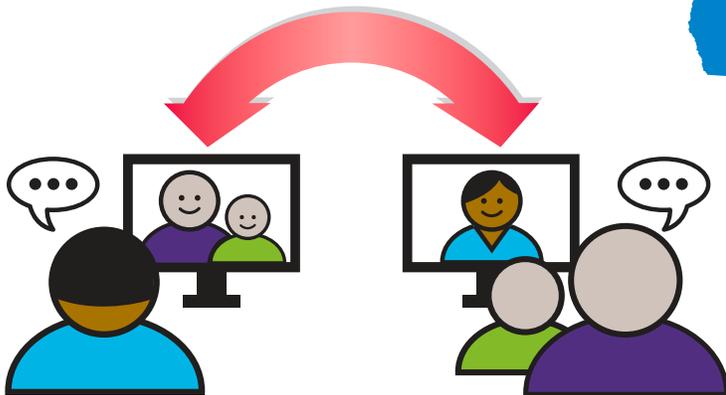
- Telemedicine increases efficiency, extends scope of practice, improves health outcomes, reduces healthcare costs, and enables greater healthcare equality across the state.
- The DPH network connects county health departments and specialty clinics with each other and to other collaborative partners and providers.

The network is a hybrid model comprised of on-premise and internet-based technologies, allowing us to scale the network, as needed.



More than **400** endpoints
 Serving all **159** counties

Ours is the only Public Health lead network of its kind in the nation.



REAL TIME, SYNCHRONOUS VIDEO CONFERENCING

Some counties utilize the network for video conferencing and training, while others use it to exponentially expand their healthcare infrastructure.



Telemedicine services include:

- Community Paramedicine
 - Individualized Nutrition Education
 - High Risk Obstetrics
 - Genetics
 - Breastfeeding Education
 - Emergency Preparedness & Response
 - Epidemiology Remote Patient Monitoring
 - Distant Learning Education
 - Pediatric Dental Care
 - Infectious Diseases
 - Concussion Care
 - Workforce Development
 - Diabetes
 - Asthma/Allergy
 - Audiology
- ...and more.



Funding

for the network comes from federal, state, county, and grant funds.

Improved Diagnosis and Treatment Time

Telemedicine is helping individuals across Georgia access specialty care closer to home.



We Protect Lives.

\$2.3 million

Amount DPH receives in legislative appropriation

to pay for the circuits and infrastructure for all 159 counties, allowing DPH to carry out its mission to **reduce health care access gaps** in vulnerable populations and populations at risk.

Network utilization tracking

affords DPH the opportunity to charge utilization fees by program to users/providers via an established cost allocation plan.



Additional funding sources are continuously explored and pursued to support and sustain the network.