

Project ECHO®



Right Knowledge. Right Place. Right Time.

Project ECHO® (Extension for Community Healthcare Outcomes) is a lifelong learning and guided practice model that revolutionizes medical education and increases workforce capacity. Its mission is to expand best-practice specialty care and reduce health disparities in rural and underserved areas. Project ECHO® links healthcare specialists with local providers so that they can effectively treat chronic, common, and complex diseases and monitor treatment outcomes.

The ECHO model™ is composed of hub-and-spoke networks. Regional academic centers (hubs) connect remotely with multiple primary care sites (spokes) in the community. The hubs are led by interdisciplinary expert specialist teams that use multi-point, knowledge-sharing videoconferencing to conduct virtual clinics with area providers. Partnering sites receive valuable mentoring and feedback by participating in an educational network of healthcare professionals. In this way, the teleECHO™ clinics allow primary care doctors, nurses, and other clinicians to provide excellent specialty care to patients in their own communities.

CHANGING THE WORLD, FAST

The ECHO model™ has been replicated across the U.S. and abroad, addressing over 45 complex conditions such as HIV, autism, diabetes, tuberculosis, hepatitis C, and more.



50+ U.S. Partners



90+ Global Partners in
17+ Countries

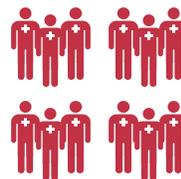
This is NOT Traditional Telemedicine

The ECHO model™ differs greatly from telemedicine, where the specialist alone assumes remote care of the patient. The specialist team and primary care sites participate in weekly teleECHO™ sessions, which are akin to virtual grand rounds combined with mentoring and patient case presentations. The community provider retains responsibility for managing the patient's care and operates with increased independence from the hub as their skills and self-efficacy grow. The ultimate goal is to administer comprehensive, best-practice care to many patients with complex health conditions, right where they live.

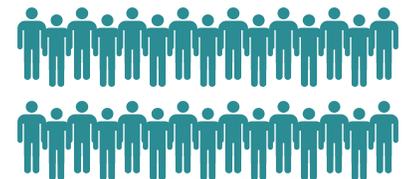
PROJECT ECHO®



Specialist team (hub)



Community providers (spokes)



Large number of patients reached

TELEMEDICINE



Specialist manages patient remotely (fewer patients reached)



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