COVID-19 Survey of Primary Care Clinicians and Patients

Topic: Telehealth

Telehealth is a useful strategy at a time when patients are worried about face to face visits

More than three-fourths have the means to access digital health

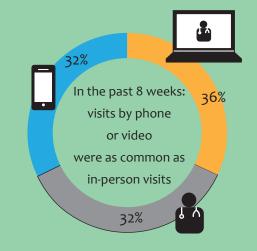
78% ...have broadband access at home ...have a computer or tablet for video visits ...have a data plan allowing video visits

Many patients are avoiding in-person primary care:



42% are unlikely to visit unless their situation is really serious

17% are not being seen even when sick or injured



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For many patients, telehealth can help relieve pent up demand for some types of care

The need for acute care appears increased:

of surveyed patients had an acute visit in the past 8 weeks, have of those for a non-COVID-19 concern

Patients report being overdue for:

34% annual wellness visit

24% orders for routine lab work

17% chronic illness visit

16% orders for routine cancer screenings

of practices have limited 81% wellness and chronic care visits

56% of clinicians are worried about pent up demand

are worried about avoidable illness due to delayed care

While 69% of patients prefer to meet with their doctor in-person, **70%** are comfortable adapting to telehealth during the pandemic.

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Telehealth enables the connections patients want, but current payment makes it difficult

Patients say...

65% it is important or very important that they feel known by their doctor

Clinicians say...

have received donations from **9**% patients, suggesting that patients value that connection





86% have a doctor they can trust

80% feel connected to their doctor

have had digital health 18% billing denied, suggesting a better system is necessary

