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Structured Abstract

Objectives. To assess how to provide telehealth care by identifying characteristics of telehealth delivery, patient populations, settings, benefits and harms, and implementation strategies during the COVID-19 era.

Data sources. PubMed[®], CINAHL[®], PsycINFO[®], and the Cochrane Central Register of Controlled Trials were searched from March 2020 to May 2022. Additional studies were identified from reference lists and experts.

Review methods. We included studies that reported characteristics of telehealth use; benefits and harms of telehealth; factors impacting the success of telehealth, including satisfaction/dissatisfaction and barriers/facilitators; and implementation outcomes. We conducted a mixed-methods review, synthesizing quantitative and qualitative studies. Two reviewers independently screened search results for eligibility, serially extracted data, and independently assessed risk of bias of included studies.

Results. We included 764 studies; 310 studies were included in our syntheses. Patients using telehealth were more likely to be people who are young to middle-aged, female, White, of higher socioeconomic status, and living in urban settings. Visits for mental and behavioral health conditions were more frequent than visits for other conditions, and mental or behavioral care was also more likely to be delivered via telehealth than care for other conditions. Across a variety of conditions, telehealth produced similar clinical outcomes as compared with in-person care. Telehealth care is appropriate for some patients, but more information is necessary to determine the suitability of telehealth for specific patient populations; patients and providers felt that telehealth may be less suitable and less desirable for patients with complex clinical conditions; and some patients perceive telehealth as a barrier to improved health outcomes owing to the absence of a physical exam and challenges in developing rapport and communicating with their care team. There was a lack of evidence addressing implementation cost, penetration, and sustainability of telehealth, and about telehealth implementation at the health system level.

Conclusions. Whereas telehealth use spiked after the beginning of the pandemic, the characteristics of patients using telehealth follow a pattern similar to that for other healthcare and digital health services. We found that the use of telehealth may be comparable to in-person care across different clinical and process outcomes. Telehealth implementation has addressed the needs of both patients and providers to some extent, even as clinical conditions, patient and provider characteristics, and type of assessment varied. Telehealth has provided a viable alternative mode of care delivery during the pandemic and holds promise for the future.

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Executive Summary

Main Points

- Telehealth may improve access to care; however, patients using telehealth during the COVID-19 era are, like before COVID-19, more likely to be people who are young to middle-aged, female, White, of higher socioeconomic status, and living in urban settings.
- Across a variety of conditions, telehealth produced similar clinical outcomes as compared with in-person care; differences in clinical outcomes, when seen, were generally small and not clinically meaningful when comparing in-person with telehealth care.
- Telehealth may be less suitable and less desirable for patients with complex clinical conditions, those needing physical exams, and for therapies requiring the development of rapport between patients and providers.
- Providers note that the cost of telehealth can be a barrier to care owing to the limits of insurance reimbursement.
- Some patients perceive telehealth as a barrier to improved health outcomes owing to the absence of a physical exam and challenges in developing rapport and communicating with their care team, potentially resulting in delayed or missed diagnoses.

Background and Purpose

Telehealth is remotely delivered and synchronous medical services (e.g., telephone/audio, video visit) between a patient and a healthcare provider in an ambulatory setting (e.g., outpatient or community-based clinic) or emergency department (ED) and is further defined by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services as the use of telecommunications and information technology to provide access to health assessment, diagnosis, intervention, consultation, supervision, and information across distance.¹ The COVID-19 pandemic has resulted in an unprecedented increase in the use of telehealth. The question is no longer whether to use telehealth but how to provide telehealth care.

We sought to answer: (1) What are the characteristics of the patients, providers, and health systems using telehealth during the COVID-19 era? (2) What are the benefits and harms of telehealth during the COVID-19 era? (3) What is considered a successful telehealth intervention during the COVID-19 era? and (4) What strategies have been used to implement telehealth interventions during the COVID-19 era?

Methods

We conducted a mixed-methods review using methods consistent with the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality Evidence-based Practice Center Program Methods Guidance (<u>https://effectivehealthcare.ahrq.gov/topics/cer-methods-guide/overview</u>) and described in the full report. Our searches covered publication dates from March 11, 2020, through May 2, 2022. We are updating the search during review of this draft report.

Results

We identified 9,987 unique citations, of which 764 were eligible and applicable to at least one of the four Key Questions (KQs); 310 were included in the syntheses:

KQ1. What are the characteristics of the patients, providers, and health systems using telehealth during the COVID-19 era? (Eleven studies were included in the synthesis.) Patients using telehealth during the COVID-19 era were more likely to be people who are young to middle-aged, female, White, of higher socioeconomic status, and living in urban settings. As before COVID-19, visits for mental and behavioral health conditions were more frequent than for other conditions and mental or behavioral care was also more likely to be delivered via telehealth than care for other conditions.

KQ2. What are the benefits and harms of telehealth during the COVID-19

era? (Sixty-three studies were included in the synthesis.) Patients seeking care for COVID-19 and for women's health (including pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological care) who received an initial telehealth visit had higher emergency department (ED) visit and hospitalization rates compared with those who received in-person care; however, differences, if any, for healthcare utilization rates between in-person and telehealth care were generally small and/or not clinically meaningful (i.e., would not result in changing the clinical practice or care plan for the patient) and varied across clinical conditions. For instance, patients with COVID-19 receiving telehealth care may have been more likely than those receiving in-person care to be hospitalized or visit the ED; whereas, of adult patients who received care for general medical conditions, those who received an initial telehealth visit had lower hospitalization rates compared with those who received in-person care.

For clinical outcomes, the difference between telehealth and in-person care varied by the type of outcome; differences in mortality rates and reported adverse events between telehealth and inperson care were small and/or not clinically meaningful. Patients who received an initial telehealth visit may have had better patient-reported outcomes and condition-specific clinical outcomes compared with those who received in-person care.

For process outcomes, the difference between telehealth and in-person care varied by the type of outcome. There was a mostly lower rate of missed visits, lower rate of change in therapy/medication, higher rate of therapy/medication adherence, but lower rate of up-to-date labs and paraclinical assessment among patients receiving an initial telehealth visit. Among patients who received general medical care or surgical care, those who received telehealth care may have had lower rates of care resolution in their initial visit, thus higher rates of followup visits. However, among patients who received care for specific conditions (excluding COVID-19 and pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological care) those who received an initial telehealth visit may have had higher rates of case resolution.

KQ3. What is considered a successful telehealth intervention during the COVID-19 era? (One hundred eighty-seven studies, plus 138 surveys, were included in the qualitative synthesis.) Our qualitative evidence synthesis found that telehealth is more convenient, provides greater access for many patients, provides patient and provider flexibility, is more efficient in terms of time and use of office space, allows for remote work, and supports greater inclusion of family caregivers. However, telehealth may not be suitable for all patient populations, such as those who are more difficult to reach and engage via telehealth, and may result in missed or delayed diagnoses owing to the lack of a physical exam. In addition, telehealth raises concerns about the maintenance of privacy and confidentiality in the digital environment, especially if patients access telehealth in public places or in multi-person homes. Insufficient communication and technical issues emerged as critical barriers to long-term implementation of telehealth. A combination of telehealth with traditional, in-person visits may help to ensure regular and appropriate followups, especially for specific patient populations (e.g., those who live far away from in-person care).

KQ4. What strategies have been used to implement telehealth

interventions during the COVID-19 era? (Fifty-one studies were included in the synthesis.) We identified no studies that directly evaluated or compared implementation strategies, which was not surprising given the haste with which telehealth had to be implemented. Even during the update of the search, when we more than doubled the number of studies we identified that addressed implementation, we found none that directly evaluated or compared implementation strategies. There is a lack of evidence about telehealth implementation cost and sustainability of services, as well as about implementation outcomes at the health-system level. On the provider side, telehealth adoption and acceptability were affected by factors such as prior training in and experience with telehealth. The appropriateness of telehealth services in achieving planned outcomes was mixed on both patient and provider levels. Among providers, the feasibility of telehealth services was generally high but, for patients, feasibility was sometimes limited by the availability of telehealth technologies.

Limitations

Included studies lacked standard information on the type of telehealth and how it was implemented. Outcomes were defined widely and were measured using a variety of approaches. Most of the quantitative studies were at high risk of bias and the qualitative studies often lacked rigorous reporting or methods. Evidence was lacking regarding the burden and costs of telehealth for patients, providers, and health systems. The outcomes reported were often short-term; longterm sustainability and implementation issues were not evaluated.

Implications and Conclusions

Whereas telehealth use spiked after the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic, the characteristics of patients using the telehealth services follow a similar pattern as for other healthcare and digital health services. Those who are young to middle-aged, female, White, with higher socioeconomic status, and living in urban settings comprised a higher proportion of telehealth users. Our findings suggest that, while telehealth may improve access to care, it may be doing so for those who already have access. We found that, compared with in-person care, the use of telehealth may achieve comparable clinical or process outcomes; in some specific

contexts, telehealth outcomes were better than for in-person care. As we transition through the COVID-19 era, telehealth likely will continue to be one of the main modes of care delivery. Thus, models for integrating telehealth with traditional care process become increasingly important and ongoing evaluations of telehealth will be particularly valuable. Our findings suggest a direction for future work. There is a need for a clear definition of telehealth and other modes of virtual care delivery, the context in which the services are implemented, and the usual or alternative models of care used for comparison. Furthermore, research needs to be conducted as multisite studies and in different private and public health systems. Future research is needed on the effectiveness of telehealth for clinical applications with limited prior evidence but rapid expansion during a pandemic. More research is needed to perform an economic assessment of telehealth and the impact of telehealth care within alternative payment arrangements.

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1. Introduction

Starting in early 2020, the COVID-19 pandemic necessitated dramatic changes in healthcare in the United States. Much routine healthcare was put on hold in the early months of the pandemic, as many hospitals were overwhelmed by patients with COVID-19 who were seriously ill.¹⁻³ Health insurance coverage for telehealth services was expanded and licensure flexibilities were provided on an emergency basis to provide an alternative to in-person care.

The COVID-19 pandemic has resulted in an unprecedented increase in the use of telehealth services; from March 2020 to April 2020, case reports suggest that telehealth use went from less than 1 percent of visits¹ to as much as 80 percent of visits in places where COVID-19 prevalence was high.⁴ A deeper dive into the patterns of telehealth use shows that, in the early months of the pandemic, there was a striking drop in in-person visit rates accompanied by a dramatic increase in telehealth visits.² Providers and patients adapted quickly and, by the early summer of 2020, the persistent drop in in-person visits was fully offset by a corresponding increase in telehealth visits.²

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services defines telehealth as the use of telecommunications and information technology to provide access to health assessment, diagnosis, intervention, consultation, supervision, and information across distance.⁵ Although these telehealth services have been available in the United States for decades, adoption was still relatively uncommon prior to the COVID-19 pandemic.^{6, 7} While the telehealth infrastructure has been in place in many health systems, several barriers slowed the uptake of the use of telehealth as the main mode of healthcare delivery. Some of the barriers to use included limited insurance coverage, regulations regarding jurisdiction of licensure, and technical challenges for many providers and patients to offer and use these digitally mediated services, respectively.⁸ During the COVID-19 era, however, telehealth was recognized as a way to deliver socially-distanced care. In response, policymakers, payors, and providers eliminated almost all financial, regulatory, and technical barriers that had hampered previous telehealth expansion initiatives.⁹⁻¹¹

Many policy, clinical, and e-health experts believe that, while coverage policies and provider and consumer telehealth adoption levels may change following the end of the pandemic, the adoption trajectory of these technologies has been forever changed.¹²⁻¹⁵ Therefore, assessing the provider and patient experience and the characteristics of telehealth during the COVID-19 era is of great importance. Further, understanding characteristics of telehealth delivery that is considered successful by providers and patients is needed to improve access to care, reduce patient burden, and inform decisions about the allocation of resources between in-person and telehealth services modes.

Several review articles have compiled and synthesized evidence on virtual health expansion during the pandemic. Among the more notable articles is a scoping review of telehealth use, which included 543 articles published across 331 different journals (43.6 percent U.S.-based studies).¹⁶ About half of the articles focused on the provision of multiple components of clinical care, and about one-fourth focused on various specialties and subspecialties of internal medicine. An integrative review assessed patient and provider satisfaction with the use of telehealth during the pandemic reviewing 18 studies (55.6 percent U.S.-based) and identifying high levels of satisfaction in both groups.¹⁷ Other reviews have addressed challenges related to the rapid implementation and expansion of virtual health services during the pandemic, assessing the facilitators and barriers of implementation and recommending the use of implementation best practices specific to each medical specialty.^{18, 19} While these review articles start to provide evidence on the characteristics of telehealth expansion during the COVID-19 era, they are all

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limited in scope, key search phrases, and number of included studies. Moreover, each review addresses one aspect of such service expansion (e.g., characteristics of the clinical providers or patients, patient/provider satisfaction, implementation challenges). Thus, there is a need to perform a comprehensive synthesis of available evidence and to review available evidence on different considerations related to telehealth expansion. Such review needs to focus on both the early months of the COVID-19 era, when telehealth services were being implemented, and the later months, when those services were established and maintained.

Thus, in this review we focused on identifying what happened during the COVID-19 pandemic in terms of telehealth use and addressed the key decision dilemma of *how* to provide telehealth services rather than *whether* to provide telehealth services. In other words, we sought to identify characteristics of telehealth that works, for which patient population, in which setting, and through which implementation strategy.

2. Methods

2.1. Review Approach

We conducted a mixed-methods review that considered both quantitative and qualitative studies.²⁰ The topic of this report was developed by a Learning Health System representative in consultation with the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) (<u>https://effectivehealthcare.ahrq.gov/products/learning-health-systems-panel/overview</u>). Initially, a panel of stakeholders gave input on the Key Questions (KQs) to be examined; these KQs were posted on AHRQ's website for public comment in June 2021 for 3 weeks and revised in response to comments. A panel of technical experts provided high-level content and methodological expertise throughout the development of the review protocol, including of the analytic figure seen in Figure 1. The final protocol is posted on the AHRQ website at https://effectivehealthcare.ahrq.gov/products/virtual-health-covid/protocol.

2.2. Key Questions

- KQ 1.What are the characteristics of patients, providers, and health systems using telehealth during the COVID-19 era? Specifically:
- a. What are the characteristics of patients (e.g., age, race/ethnicity, gender, socioeconomic status, education, geographic location [urban vs. rural])?
- b. What are the characteristics of providers and health systems (e.g., specialty, geographic location, private practice, hospital-based practice)?
- c. How do the characteristics of patients, providers, and health systems differ between the first 4 months of the COVID-19 era versus the remainder of the COVID-19 era?
- KQ 2.What are the benefits and harms of telehealth during the COVID-19 era?
- a. Does this vary by type of telehealth intervention (e.g., telephone, video visits)?
- b. Does this vary by patient characteristics (e.g., age, gender, race/ethnicity, type of clinical condition or health concern, geographic location)?
- c. Does this vary by provider and health system characteristics (e.g., specialty, geographic location, private practice, hospital-based practice)?
- KQ 3.What is considered a successful telehealth intervention, and what are the barriers and facilitators of these interventions during the COVID-19 era:
- a. From the patient or caregiver perspective?
- b. From the provider perspective?
- KQ 4. What strategies have been used to implement telehealth interventions during the COVID-19 era?

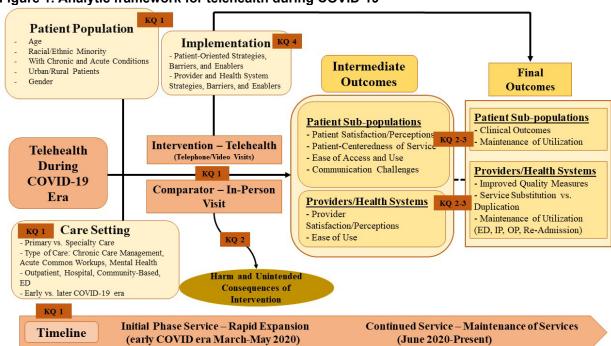


Figure 1. Analytic framework for telehealth during COVID-19

ED = emergency department; IP = inpatient; KQ = Key Question; OP = outpatient

2.3. Study Selection

We conducted a search for studies of any design about telehealth that were conducted after the onset of the era of COVID-19. We searched PubMed[®], CINAHL[®], PsycINFO[®], and the Cochrane Central Register of Controlled Trials (see Appendix A Methods, Table A.1.1 through A1.3). An information specialist reviewed search strategies using the Peer Review of Electronic Search Strategies (PRESS) guidelines.²¹ Searches were conducted in July 2021, and updated in May 2022, and were limited to studies published during the era of COVID-19 (beginning March 2020). Additional studies were identified from reference lists and experts. Searches will be updated while the draft report is under review. A Supplemental Evidence and Data for Systematic review (SEADS) portal was posted in November 2021 and a Federal Register Notice was posted in October 2021 for this review.

We included studies according to a PICOTS (population, intervention, comparators, outcomes, timing, setting) framework (see Appendix A Methods, Table A.2). For all KQs, we included patients of any age (and their caregivers), all centers/locations of patient care, and healthcare providers of any type. We included only remotely delivered, synchronous medical services (e.g., telephone/audio, video visits) between a patient and a healthcare provider in an ambulatory setting or emergency department (ED) providing acute/urgent care, routine/chronic care, mental health services, wellness visits, post-hospital discharge care, and patient and specialist communications facilitated by an ED physician in an ED. Asynchronous and automated (artificial intelligence or semi-automated applications) services were not included. For KQ4, we included studies of implementation strategies for telehealth. All studies took place during the COVID-19 era (starting March 2020). We defined telehealth as any healthcare provided in an ED by a specialist via phone or video, limiting it to the interaction between a patient or their caregiver and a healthcare provider. We included all outpatient populations in countries with a population

similar to that of the United States, using the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) nations excluding those with a World Health Organization classification below "upper income"²² (Appendix A, Methods Table A.3). Applicable study designs and synthesis methods are listed in Appendix A, Methods Table A.4.

We managed and screened the results of the search using DistillerSR (Evidence Partners, 2010). Citations were screened at abstract and full-text level by two screeners, independently. At both levels, exclusion required that both screeners agreed. Differences between reviewers regarding abstract or full-text eligibility were resolved through consensus. Owing to the volume of new studies identified during the update, we used the artificial intelligence (AI) feature in DistillerSR during abstract screening to prioritize studies most eligible for inclusion. A threshold of 95 percent was used: when the AI detected that 95 percent of potentially eligible studies were detected, we discontinued screening.

2.4. Data Extraction

For all KQs, study and participant characteristics were extracted by one reviewer, and a second reviewer confirmed accuracy and completeness. KQ-specific information was extracted in the same manner for KQs 1, 2, and 4. Information specific to KQ3 (qualitative data and survey data) was extracted by one reviewer, and then reviewed and compiled by a second reviewer.

In cases where the study period began prior to the COVID-19 era, we extracted data in the following manner:

- If data collection began between 1 January and 11 March 2020 and was in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, we abstracted all data.
- If data collection began prior to the era of COVID-19 and extended into the era of COVID-19, we extracted data for the COVID-19 era. If it was not possible to extract separate data, the study was excluded.

If data were presented for countries with populations similar to the United States, according to the OECD,²² and countries with populations unlike the United States, we only extracted data from countries with populations similar to the United States.

2.5. Risk of Bias Assessment

For KQ2 and KQ4, paired investigators independently assessed studies included in the syntheses for risk of bias. We used the Cochrane Risk of Bias Tool, Version 2, for assessing the risk of bias of randomized controlled trials²³ and the Cochrane Risk of Bias Assessment Tool for Non-Randomized Studies of Interventions (ROBINS-I) tool²⁴ for non-randomized trials.

For qualitative studies (KQ3), reviewers independently assessed study quality using the Critical Appraisals Skills Programme (CASP) tool.²⁵ The CASP criteria includes 10 elements. We included eight of the 10 elements in our assessment (excluding both the relationship between researcher and participants, as this was rated "no" across all studies, and value of the research, as we did not consider this to be an appropriate question for an emerging body of evidence). We followed Long et al.²⁶ while assessing each criterion: yes, somewhat/to some extent, can't tell, and no. Each included element was scored equally following Njau et al.²⁷: 2, criterion is completely met (yes); 1, criterion is partially met (somewhat/to some extent); 0, criterion was not met or not mentioned (can't tell, or no). A maximum score of 16=high quality; 12.8-15.9=moderate quality; 9.6-12.79=low quality; <9.6=very low quality. We did not assess risk of bias for studies selected for KQ1 or for surveys (KQ3).

2.6. Data Synthesis and Analysis

2.6.1. Key Question 1

As this was a descriptive question, we did not conduct a systematic review; we selected a subset of studies to describe; we did not conduct risk of bias of those studies, and did not conduct strength of evidence grading. We aggregated information and presented descriptive statistics on the characteristics of users (by patients, providers, and health systems) during the COVID-19 era. In the appendix, we listed all studies identified; but, in the results, we described a subset of studies that were large (greater than one million patients), with comprehensive assessment of the patient or provider or telehealth characteristics, and with a sampling method providing results that are representative of the U.S. population.

2.6.2. Key Question 2

We addressed the question of benefits and harms of telehealth during the COVID-19 era through a synthesis of studies that provided comparative data for outcomes. Studies without comparative data or design are described briefly in the report but otherwise are listed in the appendix. We were unable to conduct meta-analysis owing to limited and heterogeneous data, missing information, and variation in the outcomes measured. We considered an effect or difference clinically meaningful if it would result in a change in the clinical practice or care plan for the patient.

2.6.3. Key Question 3

We addressed the question of what is considered a "successful" telehealth intervention by evaluating satisfaction/dissatisfaction and barriers/facilitators through a qualitative evidence synthesis. We created a matrix of users (i.e., patients, caregivers, providers), their characteristics, and their perspectives or expectations (themes) of a satisfactory telehealth service. We followed the same approach to synthesize patient, caregiver, or provider perspectives on the barriers or facilitators to telehealth. The themes were extracted to saturation. The findings of each research paper are "data" points and we evaluated these data to determine themes. When no new findings emerged, we considered thematic saturation to have been achieved. For the results from the updated search, we synthesized only those studies which added new theme(s), provided more evidence for a theme(s), and addressed the later COVID-19 period (i.e., where thematic saturation had not been achieved). We did not add survey data during the updated search.

Survey data on patient, caregiver, or provider perceptions of satisfaction, barriers, and facilitators of telehealth were not included in the qualitative evidence synthesis. Survey results are discussed as supporting or not supporting the findings of the qualitative evidence synthesis. The surveys were also mapped to the above matrix. We used a convergent segregated approach to synthesis and integration of the quantitative and qualitative data.²⁸ In this approach, the syntheses of qualitative and quantitative (survey) studies are conducted separately, and then these results are juxtaposed to determine how the findings complement each other. Taking this approach allowed us to identify how the data from quantitative and qualitative sources complement one other (converge) and also identify where gaps between the two bodies of literature exist.

2.6.4. Key Question 4

We synthesized the strategies and outcomes presented in the studies using an adaptation of the implementation outcomes and categories defined by Proctor et al. (2011).²⁹

2.7. Grading the Strength of the Body of Evidence

We graded the body of evidence separately for quantitative and qualitative studies. For the systematic review of quantitative studies for KQs 2 and 4, we used the grading scheme recommended in the AHRQ Methods Guide for Effectiveness and Comparative Effectiveness Reviews (Methods Guide).³⁰ For studies included in the qualitative evidence syntheses in KQ3, we followed the GRADE-CERQual (Confidence in the Evidence from Reviews of Qualitative research) approach.³¹⁻³⁷ In each case, two reviewers independently conducted the grading with input from other team members, as needed, to reach consensus. Grading was not completed for KQ1.

2.8 Peer Review and Public Commentary

For a period of 3 weeks, experts in healthcare (providers), telehealth (industry, policy, implementation, and research), and qualitative synthesis, along with patient and caregiver advocates and federal representatives, were asked to provide external peer review of this report; AHRQ and an associate editor also provided comments. Following peer review, the revised draft report was posted on the AHRQ website for 4 weeks to elicit public comment. We addressed all reviewer comments, revising the report as appropriate. A disposition of comments table including comments from public reviewers will be posted on the AHRQ website 3 months after the Agency posts the final report.

3. Results

3.1. Results of the Search

Our searches identified a total of 9,987 unique citations, of which 764 were eligible and applicable to at least one of the four Key Questions (KQs) (Figure 2). We identified 406 studies applicable to KQ1, of which 11 were selected to directly address the question; 165 studies applicable to KQ2, of which 63 provided comparative data and were included in the synthesis; 412 studies applicable to KQ3, of which 187 were included in the qualitative evidence synthesis along with 138 surveys; and 51 studies addressing KQ4. (Of note, this field is moving rapidly and our updated search in May 2022 identified an additional 410 eligible citations, of which 124 were added to our synthesis.) See Appendix B for a list of excluded studies.

3.2. Results of Key Question 1

Key Question 1. What are the characteristics of patient, provider, and health systems using telehealth during the COVID-19 era?

3.2.1. Key Points and Summary

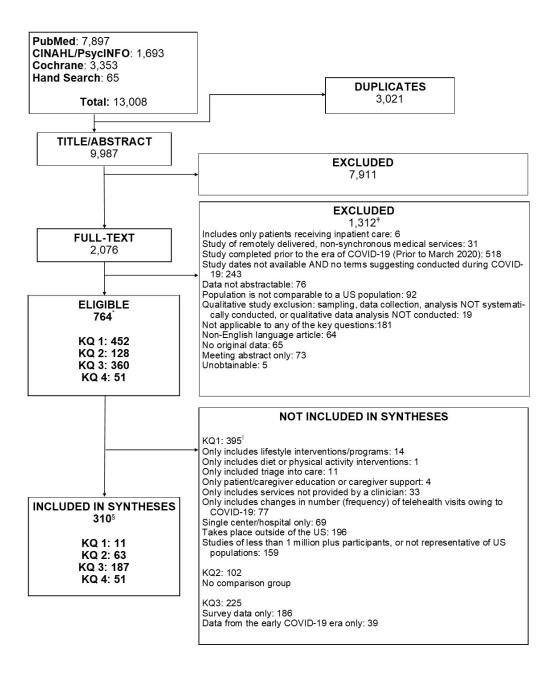
- Patients using telehealth were more likely to be people who were young to middle-aged, female, White, of higher socioeconomic status, and living in urban settings.
- Visits for mental and behavioral health conditions were more frequent than visits for other conditions, and mental or behavioral care was also more likely to be delivered via telehealth than care for other conditions.
- There was an increase in the use of telehealth for primary care, specialty care, and diagnostic/ancillary care.

We identified a total of 406 studies that provided information about the characteristics of patients, providers, and health systems using telehealth during the COVID-19 era (see Appendix C, list of KQ1 studies). Many of the studies were conducted in a small patient population or in a small health system with few providers and, so, were not generalizable to the U.S. population. Thus, we selected 11 studies to provide the descriptive characteristics of use of telehealth. These studies analyzed eight different nationally representative databases, which represented millions of telehealth visits in the United States (Table 1; Appendix C, List of Key Question 1 Studies).

Each of the data sources was very large, with wide and slightly different coverage:

- Two studies used the IQVIA National Disease and Therapeutic Index,³⁸ a nationally representative audit of outpatient practice in the United States (Appendix D, Table D.1).^{39,40} In 2020, the total number of telehealth encounters was 117.9 million in quarter 1 and 99.3 million in quarter 2.³⁹
- The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) used data from four large national telehealth providers.⁴¹ In the first three months of 2020, this dataset reported about 1.63 million telehealth visits.
- Castlight Health aggregates medical and pharmaceutical claims from self-insured employers and health plans.⁴² The data from Castlight included claims from 6.8 million individuals in 2020.

Figure 2. Results of the search and screening



KQ=Key Question

*Sum of included articles exceeds 764 because studies could be applicable to more than one KQ.

[†]Sum of excluded articles exceeds 1,312 because reviewers were not required to agree on reasons for exclusion.

Sum of KQ1-specific exclusions exceeds 395 because reviewers were not required to agree on reasons for exclusion.

⁸ Sum of articles included in the syntheses does not equal the sum of the studies as there is some overlap between KQs.

Table 1. Summary of studies analyzing characteristics of patients, providers, and health systems	
using telehealth during the COVID-19 era (N=11 studies)	

Data Source, N	Study	Dates/ COVID-19 Eras	Patient Population/ Conditions	Characteristics Reported
Blue Health Intelligence	Weiner, 2021 ²	Pre-COVID-19: Mar-Jun 2019 Early COVID-19: Mar- Jun 2020	Ambulatory care	Age SES Urban/rural Provider specialty (patient condition)
Blue Health Intelligence	nce Hatef, 2022 ³ Pre-COVID-19: Mar-Jun All 2019 Later COVID-19: July- December 2020		2019 Later COVID-19: July-	
CastlightHealth	Whaley, 2020 ⁴²	Pre-COVID-19: Mar-Apr 2018 & 2019 Early COVID-19: Mar- Apr 2020	All	Race/ethnicity SES
CDC: Amwell Medical Group, Boston, Massachusetts; Teladoc Health, Inc., Purchase, New York; MDLIVE, Miramar, Florida; and Doctor on Demand, Inc., San Francisco, California	Koonin, 2020 ⁴¹	Pre-COVID-19: Jan-Mar 2019 Early COVID-19: Jan- Mar 2020	All	Gender Age
Change Healthcare	Campion, 2021 ⁴³	Pre-COVID-19: Jan 2019 Later COVID-19: Dec 2020	All	Provider specialty (patient condition)
IQVIA's National Disease and Therapeutic Index	Alexander, 2020 ³⁹	Pre-COVID-19: Q1/Q2 2018 & 2019 Early COVID-19: Q1/Q2 2020	Outpatient	Gender Age Race/ethnicity
IQVIA's National Disease and Therapeutic Index	Mansour, 2020 ⁴⁰	Pre-COVID-19: Q1/Q2 2018 & 2019 Early COVID-19: Q1/Q2 2020	Outpatient Anxiety, bipolar disorder, insomnia, opioid use disorder, overactivity	Gender Age Race/ethnicity
Office Ally (Electronic Claims Interchange),	Zhu, 2022 ⁴⁴	Pre COVID-19 Early and later COVID- 19: March 2020-Dec 2020	Mental Health Ambulatory Services	Age Gender MH provider type
Optum Clinformatics (United Health Care),	Rabbini, 2022 ⁴⁵	Pre COVID-19 Later COVID-19: January 21-March 21	Children's Ambulatory Services	Age (patient condition)
Optum Labs (United Health Care),	Patel 2021 ⁴⁶	Pre COVID-19 Early COVID-19: March -June 2020		Age SES Urban/rural Provider specialty (patient condition)

Veterans Affairs Corporate Data Warehouse (electronic records),	Ferguson, 2021 ⁴⁷	Early COVID-19: Jan- Jun 2020	Outpatient	Gender Age Race/ethnicity Urban/rural Provider specialty
				Provider specialty
				(patient condition)

CDC = Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; IQVIA = IQVIA National Disease and Therapeutic Index; KQ = Key Question; MH = mental health;SES = socioeconomic status. Pre-COVID-19 era: prior to March 2020. Early COVID-19 era: March 2020 through June 2020. Late COVID-19 era: July 2020 onward.

- Two studies used Blue Health Intelligence data repository which includes data from most Blue Cross Blue Shield Association health insurance plans. The analysis included over 36 million patients.^{2, 3} The first study assessed a wide range of care patterns and factors through June 2020, and the second through December 2022.
- One study used healthcare claims provided by Change Healthcare, representing more than 50 percent of private insurance claims in the United States.⁴³ Submitted telehealth claims in this dataset were a modest 524,670 in February 2020 and then spiked to 12,626,363 telehealth claims in April 2020.
- One study focusing on mental health services only made use of data from large electronic claims submission service (Office Ally) and assessed telehealth patterns for over 25 million behavioral health encounters through December 2020.⁴⁴
- Two studies made use of United Healthcare / Optum data (one from Optum Labs and the other from Optum Clinformatics). The first⁴⁶ looked at all ambulatory services for 16.7 million people through June 2020; the second⁴⁵ focused on 2.1 million children in the early part (January–March) of 2021.
- Finally, one study used Veterans Affairs (VA) encounters and veteran patient data from the VA Corporate Data Warehouse, a repository for VA electronic health records.⁴⁷ This study analyzed over 42 million outpatient healthcare encounters.

As noted, studies analyzed either the early COVID-19 era (from March through June 2020) or later pandemic periods (from July 2020 through March 2021) and all but one provided comparative data from a 2018 and/or 2019 pre-Covid period (Appendix D, Table D.1).

3.2.2. Results of Key Question 1a

Key Question 1a. What are the characteristics of patients using telehealth during the COVID-19 era?

3.2.2.1. Age

Nine studies provided details about the ages of patients using telehealth.^{2, 3, 39-41, 44-47} A study of outpatient practices reported that patients 19 to 35 years of age and 36 to 55 years of age accounted for 12.4 percent and 19.8 percent of in-person visits, respectively, in the early COVID-19 era, but accounted for 17.8 percent and 26.1 percent of telehealth visits, respectively, during the early COVID-19 era. This indicates substantial adoption of telehealth of those 19 to 55 years of age compared with both younger and older patients (15.6 percent of telehealth visits were individuals <19 years and 15.2 percent and 25.3 percent of visits were individuals 56 to 65 years and 66+ years, respectively).³⁹ Using the same dataset, another study presented similar results, reporting that, compared with the same quarter of the pre-COVID-19 era, those patients who were 39 years of age and younger accounted for more of the telehealth visits for behavioral and psychiatric conditions in the first and second quarter of 2020, while those 40 years of age and older accounted for fewer of the telehealth visits in the first and second quarter of 2020.⁴⁰ At the same time, the proportion of office visits decreased for the younger age groups and stayed the same or increased for those 40 years of age and older (Appendix D, Table D.1).

An analysis from CDC reported that most telehealth visits were for adults 18 to 49 years of age, both before and during the COVID-19 era (66 percent in 2019 and 69 percent in 2020).⁴¹ During the early COVID-19 era, the percentage of telehealth visits for persons 18 to 49 years of age increased slightly, from 68 percent during the first week of January 2020 to 73 percent during the last week of March (p<0.05). Conversely, the percentage of telehealth visits for children during the early COVID-19 era remained similar or slightly decreased compared with the same period in 2019. An average of 3.5 percent of telehealth visits were for children aged <5 years in 2020 (compared with 4.0 percent in 2019), and an average of 8.6 percent for those aged 5–17 years in 2020 (compared with 10.0 percent in 2019).

A study using electronic records from the VA reported that age was only slightly associated with the use of virtual care in the pandemic period.⁴⁷ However, patients using telehealth delivered via video were on average 10 years younger than those who never used video care (57 versus 67 years of age). Older veterans 45 to 64 years of age and 65 years of age and older were substantially less likely to use video care compared with veterans 18 to 44 years of age (Risk Ratio 0.80 [95% confidence interval (CI), 0.79 to 0.82] and 0.50 [95% CI, 0.48 to 0.52], respectively). Patients with high levels of pre-COVID-19 use of care were more likely to be new users of any type of telehealth.

Both studies of ambulatory care using a Blue Health Intelligence dataset across two COVID-19 time periods reported that, compared with those who had in-person visits only, those who had one or more telehealth visits during the COVID-19 era were more likely to be patients with two or more chronic conditions and those 18 to 49 years of age.^{2, 3}

The one study that focussed only on children⁴⁵ suggested that telehealth visits were highest among infants and toddlers compared with other pediatric age groups.

3.2.2.2. Gender

Seven studies provided details about the gender of patients using telehealth.^{3, 39-41, 44, 46, 47} One of the studies, using a nationally representative audit of outpatient practices, compared characteristics of users in 2020 with those of users in 2018 and 2019, noting that the proportion of office visits by gender remained consistent between 2019 and 2020 (51 percent males versus 49 percent females) but that the proportion of females using telehealth increased (49.6 percent in 2019 to 52.2 percent in 2020).³⁹ Using the same dataset to analyze telehealth visits for behavioral and psychiatric conditions, another study also noted that females represented a larger proportion of telehealth visits before and during the COVID-19 era.⁴⁰ For instance, in quarter 2 of 2018 and 2019, females represented 60 percent of telehealth visits, which decreased to 57 percent in quarter 2 of 2020. The CDC analysis similarly reported that female patients represented more of the telehealth visits both before and during the COVID-19 era (63 percent in both 2019 and 2020).⁴¹ The VA study reported that females had a marginally increased likelihood of using telehealth compared with males (1.02 [95% CI, 1.02 to 1.03]) and reported that a greater proportion of new users of video care were female (17 percent) than those who never used video care (8 percent) (Appendix D, Table D.1).⁴⁷

3.2.2.3. Race/Ethnicity

Five studies provided information about patient race/ethnicity and use of telehealth.^{39, 40, 42, 46, 47} A study of visit types in eight quarters of 2018–2020, reported that increases in telehealth visits during the COVID-19 era were similar among White patients (1.5 percent of visits in 2019 versus 19.3 percent in 2020) and Black patients (0.7 percent of visits in 2019 versus 20.5 percent

in 2020).³⁹ A study using the same dataset to examine mental and behavioral health visits similarly reported no change in the percentage of telehealth visits by patient race/ethnicity; White patients represented 75 percent of telehealth visits in quarter 2 of 2020, Black patients represented 12 percent, and Hispanic patients 7 percent (Appendix D, Table D.1).⁴⁰

The VA study reported minor, and likely not meaningful, differences in the use of telehealth by race or ethnicity.⁴⁷ Black veterans had a marginally increased likelihood of using any telehealth (1.02 [95% CI, 1.01 to 1.03]) and a slightly decreased likelihood of using video care compared with White veterans (0.96 [95% CI, 0.94 to 0.97]). However, the study reported that veterans who used telehealth before and/or during the COVID-19 era were more likely to be non-White, Hispanic, single, urban, disabled, and experiencing homelessness compared with veterans who never used telehealth.

Another study reported lower rates of telehealth use in zip codes with predominately racial/ethnic minority populations.⁴² Compared with those in zip codes with 80 percent or more White residents, patients in zip codes with 80 percent or more residents who belong to racial/ethnic minority groups had smaller reductions in the use of in-person office visits (absolute difference: 200.0 per 10,000 [95% CI, 128.9 to 270.1]) and also smaller increases in the use of telehealth (absolute difference: -71.6 per 10,000 [95% CI, -87.6 to -55.5]).

3.2.2.4. Socioeconomic Status and Education

Four studies assessed the economic status of patients using telehealth.^{2, 3, 42, 46} All studies of claims data reported lower rates of telehealth use among patients residing in zip codes with lower income.⁴² For example, one study of ambulatory care using commercial health insurance plans reported higher use of telehealth in the most versus least socially advantaged neighborhoods (27.4 percent [1.42 contacts per person] versus 19.9 percent [1.24 contacts per person]) (Appendix D, Table D.1).² No study assessed the educational level of users of telehealth.

3.2.2.5. Urban/Rural Location

Four studies provided details about urban versus rural location of patients receiving telehealth.^{2, 3, 46, 47} In each study, patients living in urban settings represented a larger proportion of patients using telehealth. In the VA study, those living in rural areas had similar likelihood of using virtual care compared with those in urban areas (1.00 [95% CI, 0.99 to 1.00]). However, users of video care during the COVID-19 era were more likely to be urban-dwelling compared with veterans who never used virtual care (75 percent versus 65 percent).⁴⁷ Similarly, a study of ambulatory care reported higher use of telehealth in urban versus rural locations (24.2 percent [1.35 contacts per person] versus 14.2 percent [1.15 contacts per person]) (Appendix D, Table D.1).²

3.2.3. Results for Key Question 1b

Key Question 1b. What are the characteristics of provider and health systems using telehealth during the COVID-19 era?

3.2.3.1. Specialty

Seven studies provided details about the conditions of patients and, thus, indirectly, the type of provider specialty using telehealth.^{2, 3, 43-47} Generally, mental and behavioral health represented the largest proportion of telehealth visits.

The VA study noted that, as before the COVID-19 era, mental health care had the largest percentage of its encounters provided through telehealth and the largest absolute number of visits; however, visits for mental health care had the smallest increase during the COVID-19 era (6.4-fold increase in the first 3 months of COVID-19).⁴⁷ In comparison, primary care had a 15.6-fold increase, specialty care had a 14.2-fold increase, and diagnostic/ancillary care had an 8-fold increase in video-based encounters.

Another study also reported that mental health visits were far more likely than medical visits to be delivered via telehealth (46.1 percent [0.23 visits per person] versus 22.1 percent [0.86 visits per person])². Further, this study noted that the use of telehealth for acute conditions (14.1 percent [0.63 visits per person]) was lower than that for chronic conditions (21.5 percent [0.24 visits per person]).

The one study of the later COVID-19 era reported similar findings: the frequency of telehealth claims for behavioral and mental health disorders far exceeded all other clinical issues and were 4 to 5 times more frequent than for other common conditions, such as circulatory and endocrine disorders.⁴³

The selected studies did not provide data to allow for description of characteristics of practice setting or community versus hospital-based settings.

3.2.4. Results for Key Question 1c

Key Question 1c. How do the characteristics of patients, providers, and health systems differ between the first 4 months of the COVID-19 era versus the remainder of the COVID-19 era?

Seven of the 11 studies reported characteristics of patients and providers for the early COVID-19 era. Most of the four studies in the later COVID-19 era (July 2020 through March 2021) indicated that the patterns seen in the earlier period were, in general, sustained, with similar levels and patterns of telehealth care, even as in-person visits increased to approach their pre-pandemic levels. Two studies assessed the relative rates of telehealth use in the later period³, ⁴³ and the distribution was similar to that found in the earlier period. For example, psychiatry/ behavioral health continued to represent the highest specialty making use of telehealth.^{3, 43}

3.3. Results for Key Question 2

Key Question 2. What are the benefits and harms of telehealth during the COVID-19 era?

3.3.1. Key Points and Summary

- For adult patients who receive general medical care unrelated to COVID-19, those who receive an initial telehealth visit have similar hospitalization rates compared with those who receive in-person care.
- Patients seeking care for women's health (including prenatal care) who receive an initial telehealth visit may have higher emergency department (ED) visit and hospitalization rates compared with those who receive in-person care, however, differences, if any, for healthcare utilization rates between in-person and telehealth care were small and/or not clinically meaningful.

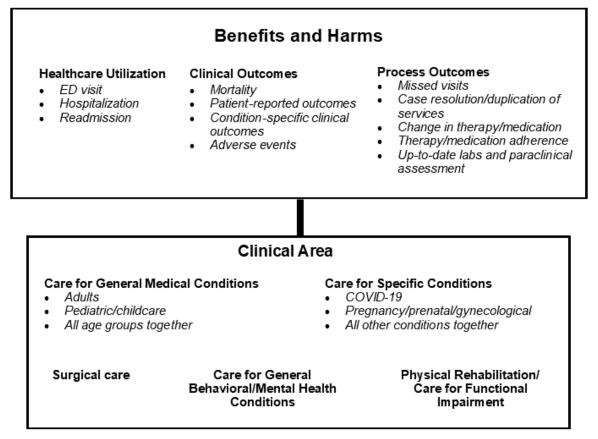
- Patients with COVID-19 receiving telehealth care may be more likely to be hospitalized or visit the ED.
- Clinical outcomes were similar and any differences between in-person and telehealth care varied by the type of outcome: the mortality rates and reported adverse events between in-person and telehealth care were small and/or not clinically meaningful; patients who receive an initial telehealth visit may have better patient-reported outcomes compared with those who receive in-person care.
- Among the process measures, evidence supported a mostly lower rate of missed visits, lower rate of change in therapy/medication, higher rates of therapy/medication adherence, but lower rate of up-to-date labs and paraclinical assessment among patients receiving an initial telehealth visit. Among patients who receive general medical care or surgical care for an acute condition, those who receive telehealth care may have lower rates of care resolution in their initial visit, thus higher rates of followup visits. However, among patients who receive general medical care for a chronic condition, those who receive telehealth care for a chronic condition, those who receive telehealth care for a chronic condition, those who receive telehealth care for a chronic condition, those who receive telehealth care for a chronic condition, those who receive telehealth care may have higher rates of care resolution in their initial visit, thus lower rates of followup visits. Among patients who receive care for specific conditions (excluding COVID-19 and pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological care), those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have higher rates of case resolution.
- Few studies conducted subgroup analyses. In studies that conducted subgroup analysis, Non-Hispanic Black, Asian, and Hispanic patients had lower adverse events (i.e., medication-related problems) and higher appointment adherence when receiving telehealth compared with those receiving in-person care. However, not surprisingly, among patients in both in-person and telehealth groups, those patients who were older and/or had more complex conditions had higher rates of hospitalization.

We identified a total of 165 studies reporting outcomes of telehealth visits. Table 2 provides an overview of all studies by type of outcomes and clinical area. We synthesized 63 studies that provided data comparing telehealth with in-person visits. Details of study, participant, and provider characteristics can be found in Appendix C, Results Table C.2 and Appendix D Evidence Tables D.2, D.3, and D.4. Studies that did not include data comparing telehealth with in-person visits are briefly described (Appendix D Evidence Tables D.2 through D.8.2) but were excluded from the synthesis.

We categorized outcomes into three categories: healthcare utilization, clinical outcomes, and process outcomes. Healthcare utilization outcomes include emergency department (ED) visits, hospitalization, and readmission. The clinical outcome category includes mortality, patient-reported outcomes, condition-specific clinical outcomes, and adverse events. Process outcomes include missed visits, case resolution or duplication of services, change in therapy or medication, therapy or medication adherence, and up-to-date laboratory and paraclinical assessments. We did not identify any studies evaluating the cost of telehealth care as an outcome. We considered an effect or difference clinically meaningful if it would result in a change in the clinical practice or care plan for the patient.

Because the outcomes of interest were reported across a very wide range of clinical areas, we categorized the clinical areas into five main categories: care for general medical conditions, care for specific conditions, surgical care, care for general behavioral/mental health conditions, and physical rehabilitation or care for functional impairment (see Figure 3).

Figure 3. Organization of Key Question 2: What are the benefits and harms of telehealth during the COVID-19 era?



ED= emergency department

3.3.2. Healthcare Utilization

3.3.2.1. Emergency Department Visits

We identified twelve observational studies that compared ED visit rates for in-person versus telehealth care (see Appendix D, Evidence Table D.5.1). For the majority of the studies, the differences, if any, of ED visit rates between in-person and telehealth care were small and not clinically meaningful (i.e., would not result in a change in the clinical practice or care plan for the patient). We were unable to make a general statement about the performance of telehealth versus in-person visits, as the clinical conditions, patient/provider characteristics, and type of assessment performed during the visits varied across the small number of studies included in this evidence synthesis. All these factors impacted the outcome of the initial visit and the need for a followup ED visit. Our confidence in our conclusions across the clinical conditions is low owing to weak study designs, issues with risk of bias, and the limited number of studies (see Table 3 and Figure 4).

Another eight studies reported ED visit rates for patients who received telehealth care (with no comparison to in-person).⁴⁸⁻⁵⁵ These studies generally reported ED visit rates of 0 percent to 21 percent among study participants who received telehealth care. Studies varied in their patient

and provider characteristics and clinical conditions, resulting in the wide range of ED visit rates (see Appendix D, Evidence Tables D.5.1 and D.5.2).

Table 2. Summary of key findings for the effects of telehealth versus in-person care by clinical conditions (

Category	Outcomes	Care for General Medical Conditions, Adults	Care for General Medical Conditions, Children	Care for General Medical Conditions, All Ages	Care for Specific Conditions, COVID-19	Care for Specific Conditions, Pregnancy/ Prenatal/ Gynecological Care	Care for Specific Conditions, Other Conditions	Surgical Care	Care for General Behavioral/ Mental Health	Physical Rehabilitation/ Functional Impairment
Healthcare utilization (N=25	Emergency Department visits	Non- comparative studies	Non- comparative studies	Moderate P/T	Low P	P	Low T	Low T	No evidence	No evidence
studies)	Hospitalization	Moderate	Non- comparative studies	Moderate P/T	Low P	P	Low T	Low T	No evidence	No evidence
	Readmission	No evidence	No evidence	No evidence	Low	Low	No evidence	Low	No evidence	No evidence
Clinical outcomes (N=24	Mortality	No evidence	No evidence	No evidence	Non- comparative studies	Low	Low T	Low P	No evidence	No evidence
studies)	Patient- reported outcomes	Non- comparative studies	No evidence	No evidence	No evidence	Low P	Low T	No evidence	Low T	Non- comparative studies
	Condition- specific clinical outcomes	Non- comparative studies	No evidence	No evidence	No evidence	P	P	Low T	Low T	No evidence
	Adverse events	Low T	No evidence	No evidence	No evidence	Low T	Low T	Low	Low	No evidence
Process outcomes (N=34	Missed visits	No evidence	No evidence	No evidence	No evidence	Low T	Low T	Low T	Insufficient ?	No evidence
studies)	Case resolution/ Duplication of services	Non- comparative studies	Non- comparative studies	Moderate P/T	Insufficient ?\	Insufficient ?\	P	Low T	No evidence	No evidence
	Change in therapy/ Medication	Moderate T	No evidence	No evidence	No evidence	No evidence	Low T	No evidence	No evidence	No evidence
	Therapy/ Medication adherence	Low T	No evidence	No evidence	No evidence	No evidence	Low P	No evidence	Low T	No evidence

Category	Outcomes	Care for General Medical Conditions, Adults	Care for General Medical Conditions, Children	Care for General Medical Conditions, All Ages	Care for Specific Conditions, COVID-19	Care for Specific Conditions, Pregnancy/ Prenatal/ Gynecological Care	Care for Specific Conditions, Other Conditions	Surgical Care	Care for General Behavioral/ Mental Health	Physical Rehabilitation/ Functional Impairment
	Up-to-date labs and paraclinical assessment	No evidence	No evidence	No evidence	Non- comparative studies	Low =	Low P	No evidence	No evidence	No evidence

High = high strength of evidence; Insufficient = insufficient evidence; Moderate = moderate strength of evidence; Low = low strength of evidence * Intervention: T = favors telehealth; P = favors in-person; P/T = in-person care favored for acute care patients and telehealth favored for chronic care patients; = = little to no difference between in-person versus telehealth; ?\ = insufficient evidence to make a conclusion.

Clinical Area	Number of Studies and N	Direction of Findings: Favors In- Person	Direction of Findings: No Difference/ Unclear	Direction of Findings: Favors Telehealth	Strength of Evidence Domains*	Conclusion
General medical care, Adults	No studies	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
General medical care, Children	No studies	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
General medical care, All ages	2 studies (N=608,878) Cohort 2 studies ^{3, 56} (N=608,878)	Cohort 2 studies ^{3, 56} (N=608,878)	NA	Cohort 1 study ³ (N=607,573)	Medium Direct Precise Inconsistent Undetected	For patients of all ages who receive care for general medical conditions, those who receive an initial telehealth visit for an acute condition may have higher ED visit rates compared with those who receive in-person care, and those who receive an initial telehealth visit for a chronic condition may have lower rates of ED visits compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Moderate).
Care for specific conditions, COVID-19	3 studies (N=5,462) Cohort 3 studies ⁵⁷⁻⁵⁹ (N=5,462)	Cohort 1 study ⁵⁷ (N=4,384)	NA	Cohort 2 studies ^{58,} ⁵⁹ (N=1,078)	High Direct Precise Inconsistent Undetected	For patients who receive specialized COVID-19 care, those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have higher ED visit rates compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Low).
Care for specific conditions, Pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological care	1 study (N=287) Cohort 1 study ⁶⁰ (N=287)	Cohort 1 study ⁶⁰ (N=287)	NA	NA	High Direct Imprecise Unknown consistency Undetected	For patients who receive specialized pregnancy/prenatal/gynecolo gical care, those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have higher ED visit rates compared with those who receive in-person (SOE: Low).
Care for specific conditions, Other conditions	5 studies (N=11,546)	Cross- sectional	NA	Cohort	High Direct	For patients who receive care for specific conditions

Table 3. Summary of findings: emergency department visits for patients receiving telehealth versus in-person care (N=12 studies)

Clinical Area	Number of Studies and N	Direction of Findings: Favors In- Person	Direction of Findings: No Difference/ Unclear	Direction of Findings: Favors Telehealth	Strength of Evidence Domains*	Conclusion
	Cohort 4 studies $^{61-64}$ (N=9,842) Cross-sectional 1 study 65 (N=1,724)	1 study ⁶⁵ (N=1,724)		4 studies ⁶¹⁻ ⁶⁴ (N=9,842)	Precise Consistent Undetected	(excluding COVID-19 and pregnancy/prenatal/gynecolo gical care), those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have lower ED visit rates compared with those who - receive in-person (SOE: Low).
Surgical Care	1 study (N=219) Cohort 1 study ⁶⁶ (N=219)	NA	NA	Cohort 1 study ⁶⁰ (N=11176)	High Direct Imprecise Unknown consistency Undetected	For patients who receive surgical care, those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have lower ED visit rates compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Low).
General behavioral/Mental health	No studies	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Physical rehabilitation/ Care for functional impairment	No studies	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

ED = emergency department; NA = not applicable/no studies; SOE = strength of evidence. *The strength of evidence domains (as listed in descending order): study limitations, directness, precision, consistency, reporting bias.

Figure 4. Forest plot presenting emergency department visits for patients who had an initial telehealth visit versus an initial in-person visit*

Author, year	Population	Followup	Total, N		OR (95% Cl)
CO VID-19					
Borgen, 2021	COMD-19	30 days	785	-	0.36 (0.23, 0.58)
Korycinski, 2022,	COMD-19	30 days	293	-•-	0.56 (0.27, 1.15)
General medical car	re - All Ages				
Phillips, 2021	Pulmonary	NR	1305		1.24 (0.73, 2.11)
Hatef, 2022,	Acute ambulatory care	14 days	607573	+	1.11 (1.06, 1.16)
Hatef, 2022,	Chronic ambulatory care	14 days	505224	t	0.96 (0.92, 1.01)
Pregnancy/Prenatal	/OB GYN				
Kerestes, 2021	Pregnancy	252 days	218		1.93 (0.37, 10.19)
Kerestes, 2021	Pregnancy	252 days	163		2.83 (0.50, 15.92)
Specific Condition -	Other				
Gaetani, 2021	HHT	244 Days	90		0.77 (0.28, 2.10)
Reddy, 2021	Cancer patients	1 week during transition	931		0.37 (0.09, 1.59)
Reddy, 2021	Cancerpatients	4 weeks post-transition	1576	•	0.27 (0.11, 0.62)
Watson, 2021	Cancerpatients	24 hours	1724		1.19 (0.27, 5.35)
Watson, 2021	Cancer patients	7 days	1724	+•	2.10 (0.54, 8.13)
Surgical					
Irarrazaval, 2021	Abdominal surgery patients	NR	219	·	0.29 (0.06, 1.43)
NOTE:Weightsare fi	rom random effects analysis				
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			← Favors teleł		orsin-person →

Odds Ratio and 95% Confidence Intervals

CI = confidence interval; HHT = hereditary hemorrhagic telangiectasia; N = sample size; NR = not reported; OBGYN = obstetrics and gynecology; OR = odds ratio. *Included studies reported categorical data from which an odds ratio was able to be calculated.

3.3.2.2. General Medical Care, All Ages

Among patients of all ages who received care for general medical conditions, two observational studies reported ED visit rates after an in-person or telehealth visit. One cohort study, with serious risk of bias owing to possible selection bias and issues with intervention classification, among adults with a median age of 64 years reported ED visit rates after an in-person or telehealth visit for general medical care (all ages). The study enrolled 741 patients who had inperson visits and 564 patients who had telehealth visits.⁵⁶ It identified lower ED visit rates among those who had an initial in-person visit than those who had an initial telehealth visit (29 ED visits [3.9 percent] among those in the in-person group versus 28 ED visits [5 percent] among those in telehealth group, p=0.36). The study only identified ED visits that occurred within 14 days after the initial visit, which may have contributed to the small difference between the two groups. Another cohort study, with a low risk of bias, reported ED visit rates for patients with general medical care (all ages) with a diagnosis of acute or chronic ambulatory care sensitive conditions (i.e., conditions that would avoid healthcare utilization with proper ambulatory management of the disease). Among patients with acute ambulatory care conditions, the study analyzed claims data on 493,716 patients who had in-person visits and 113,857 patients who had telehealth visits and reported higher ED visit rates among those who had an initial telehealth visit than those who had an initial in-person visit (odds ratio (OR): 1.11; 95% confidence intervals [CI], 1.06 to 1.16, with in-person visit as the reference).³ Among patients with chronic ambulatory care conditions, the study analyzed claims data on 410,743 patients who had in-person visits and 94,481 patients who had telehealth visits and reported lower ED visit rates among those who had an initial telehealth visit than those who had an initial in-person visit (OR: 0.96; 95% CI, 0.92 to 1.01, with in-person visit as the reference). The study only included ED visits that occurred within 14 days after the initial visit, which may have contributed to a modest difference between the two groups.

The two studies showed conflicting results. The difference in the type of clinical conditions that they assessed may have resulted in the conflicting results between two studies. The study favoring telehealth care for a sub-population of patients³ was much bigger and assessed ED visits separately for those with acute and chronic ambulatory care sensitive conditions, which may have resulted in more accurate parsing out of the difference in ED visit patterns (Table 3). For patients of all ages who receive care for general medical conditions, those who receive an initial telehealth visit for an acute condition may have higher rates of ED visits compared with those who receive in-person care, and those who receive an initial telehealth visit for a chronic condition may have lower rates of ED visits compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE): Moderate) (Table 3).

3.3.2.3. Care for Specific Conditions, COVID-19

Among patients with COVID-19 who received care, three observational studies reported ED visit rates after an in-person or telehealth visit. One cohort with moderate risk of bias among patients with COVID-19 (mean age of 58 years) assessed ED visit rates after an in-person primary care visit or telehealth encounter. The study enrolled 593 patients who had in-person visits and 192 patients who had telehealth visits.⁵⁸ This study reported higher ED visit rates among those who had an initial in-person visit compared with those who had an initial telehealth visit (167 ED visits [28.2 percent] among those in the in-person group versus 24 ED visits [12.5 percent] among those in the telehealth group, p<0.001) in the 30 days following the initial

assessment. Another cohort study among patients with COVID-19 (patients' age not reported) assessed ED visit rates after an in-person primary care visit or telehealth visit. This study was at serious risk of bias owing to potentially inadequate adjustment for confounding factors and possible selection bias. This study enrolled 3,197 patients who had in-person visits and 1,187 patients who had telehealth visits.⁵⁷ The study identified lower ED visit rates among those who had an initial in-person visit (227 ED visits [7.1 percent] among those in the in-person group versus 307 ED visits [25.9 percent] among those in the telehealth group, p<0.001) in the 68 days following the initial assessment. A third cohort study with moderate risk of bias among adult and elderly patients with COVID-19 (mean age of 46.03 years) assessed ED visit rates after an inperson primary care visit or telehealth visit. This study enrolled 154 patients who had in-person visits and 139 patients who had telehealth visits.⁵⁹ The study reported lower ED visit rates among those who had an initial telehealth visit compared with those who had an initial in-person visit (24 ED visits [15.6 percent] among those in the in-person group versus 13 ED visits [10.1 percent] among those in the telehealth group, p=0.117) in the 30 days following the initial assessment. The three studies showed conflicting results. The difference in the followup period (68 days versus 30 days) and the data collection period (later period in the COVID-19 era [starting December 20, 2020]⁵⁷ versus the early months of the pandemic [starting March 23 and April 7, 2020]^{58, 59}) may have resulted in conflicting results among three studies. The study favoring in-person care is a larger study (N=4,384 versus N=785 and N=293) with a longer followup period (Table 3). For patients who receive specialized COVID-19 care, those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have higher ED visit rates compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Low).

3.3.2.4. Care for Specific Conditions, Pregnancy/Prenatal/Gynecological Care

One cohort study with a moderate risk of bias among patients in a family planning clinic (mean age of 28 years) assessed ED visit rates among those who received an in-person versus telehealth medical abortion service. This study enrolled 94 patients who had in-person visits, 124 patients who had telehealth visits and picked up their medication from the clinic, and 69 patients who had telehealth visits and received their medication in the mail.⁶⁰ The study identified lower ED visit rates among those who had an initial in-person visit than among either telehealth group (2 ED visits [2.1 percent] among those in the in-person group versus 5 ED visits [4 percent] among those in telehealth group who picked up their medication in the mail). For patients who receive specialized pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological care, those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have slightly higher ED visit rates compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Low) (Table 3).

3.3.2.5. Other Conditions

Among patients who received care for specific conditions, excluding COVID-19 and pregnancy/prenatal/ gynecological care, five observational studies reported ED visit rates after an in-person versus a telehealth visit. One was a cohort study with moderate risk of bias among patients with hereditary hemorrhagic telangiectasia (mean age of 57 years) enrolling 45 patients who had in-person visits and 45 who had telehealth visits.⁶¹ The study identified lower ED visit rates among those who had an initial telehealth visit compared with those who had an initial in-person visit (11 ED visits [24.4 percent] among those in the in-person group versus 9 ED visits

[20 percent] among those in the telehealth group, p>0.05) in 244 days after the initial visit. The long followup time helped to identify the difference between the two groups in this small population.

The second study, a cohort study with critical risk of bias owing to substantial concerns about how baseline and time-varying confounders were addressed, was conducted in Portugal. This study assessed ED visit rates among elderly patients with chronic heart failure (mean age of 71 years) and compared rates from the pre-COVID-19 era (mainly in-person visits) with rates from the COVID-19 era (mainly telehealth visits).⁶² The study identified a lower ED visit rate among patients who had an initial telehealth visit (214 ED visits among 160 patients in the in-person group [1.3 visits per person] versus 52 visits among 43 patients in the telehealth group [1.2 visits per person], p=0.27). The ED visits were assessed within 497 days after the initial visit in the inperson group and 70 days in the telehealth group.

The third study, a cohort study with serious risk of bias owing to lack of information on adjusting for confounders, assessed ED visit rates among adult and elderly patients with cancer (median age of 60 years) and compared the care prior to and during transition to telehealth (mainly in-person visits) with the post-transition period (mainly telehealth visits).⁶³ The study identified a lower ED visit rate among patients who had an initial visit in the 1 week during the transition and in the 4 weeks after the transition compared with those who had an initial visit in the 4 weeks prior to the transition (24 of 763 patients [3.1 percent] in the pre-transition group versus 2 of 168 [1.2 percent] patients in the during-transition group and 7 of 813 patients [0.9 percent] in the post-transition group, p=0.0031).

The fourth study was a cross-sectional study conducted in Australia, with serious risk of bias owing to lack of information on confounders. This study assessed ED visit rates among adult and elderly patients with cancer (mean age of 62.77 years) and compared rates from the pre-COVID-19 era (mainly in-person visits) with rates from the later-COVID-19 era (mainly telehealth visits).⁶⁵ The study identified a higher ED visit rate among patients who had an initial telehealth visit (3 of 814 patients [0.37 percent] in the in-person group versus 4 of 910 patients [0.44 percent] in the telehealth group, in 24 hours after the first visit, p=1; and 3 of 814 patients [0.37 percent] in the in-person group versus 7 of 910 patients [0.77 percent] in the telehealth group, in 7 days after the first visit, p=0.343).

The fifth study was a cohort study with low risk of bias. This study assessed ED visit rates among adult and elderly patients with asthma (mean age not reported) and compared rates from the pre-COVID-19 era (mainly in-person visits) with rates from the later-COVID-19 era (mainly telehealth visits).⁶⁴ The study identified a lower mean of ED visits among patients who had an initial telehealth visit (mean of 0.048, standard error [SE] 0.012 among patients in the in-person group versus mean of 0, SE 0 among patients in telehealth-only group, p comparing the two groups not reported).

The five studies showed conflicting results. The difference in the followup periods (ranging from 7 to 497 days) and the data collection period (early period in the COVID-19 era ⁶³ versus comparison of the pre-COVID-19 era to the COVID-19 era ^{61, 62, 64, 65}) may have resulted in conflicting results among these studies. Moreover, there were other critical confounders, like COVID-19 infection as a risk of an ED visit among the telehealth group (COVID-19 era), and no risk in the in-person group (pre-COVID-19 era), that have not been taken into consideration in the reported comparison. While the study favoring in-person care ⁶⁵ is a large study (N=1,724) it has a short followup period of 7 days compared with longer followup periods reported for studies in favor of telehealth (Table 3). For patients who receive specialized care (excluding COVID-19

and pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological care), those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have lower ED visit rates compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Low) (Table 3).

3.3.2.6. Surgical Care

One cohort study with serious risk of bias owing to no information on confounders assessed ED visit rates among patients who underwent abdominal surgery (median age of 49 years) and had either an in-person visit or a telehealth visit for post-operation followup. The study enrolled 113 patients who had in-person visits and 106 patients who had telehealth visits.⁶⁶ The study identified lower ED visit rates among those who had an initial telehealth visit than among those who had an in-person visit (2 ED visits [1.9 percent] among those in telehealth group versus 7 ED visits [6.2 percent] among those in the in-person group). For patients receiving surgical care, those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have lower ED visit rates compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Low) (Table 3).

3.3.3. Hospitalization

We identified 18 observational studies that compared in-person care with telehealth care and evaluated hospitalization rates (see Appendix D, Evidence Table D.5.3). As shown in Figure 5, for the majority of the studies, the differences in hospitalization rates for in-person versus telehealth care were small. We are unable to make a general statement about the relative performance of in-person or telehealth care because the clinical conditions, patient/provider characteristics, and types of assessment performed during the visits varied across the small number of studies included in this evidence synthesis. All these factors impacted the outcome of the initial visit and the need for followup hospitalization. Our confidence in our conclusions across the clinical conditions is generally low, owing to weak study designs, issues with risk of bias, and a limited number of studies (see Table 4, and Figure 5).

There were 14 other studies reporting hospitalization rates for patients receiving telehealth (with no comparison).^{49-52, 55, 67-75} These studies generally reported hospitalization rates after receipt of telehealth care of 0.01 percent to 37 percent. Studies varied in their patient and provider characteristics and clinical conditions, resulting in a wide range of hospitalization rates (see Appendix D, Evidence Tables D.5.3 and D.5.4).

3.3.3.1. General Medical Care, Adults

Among adult patients who received care for general medical conditions, two observational studies reported hospitalization rates after an in-person or telehealth visit. One was a cohort study with a moderate risk of bias among older adults (mean age of 75 years) enrolling 6,792 patients who had in-person visits and 10,311 who had telehealth visits.⁷⁶ The study identified significantly lower hospitalization rates among those who had an initial telehealth visit and for all diagnoses, as well as among those with an ambulatory care sensitive condition (OR: 0.72; 95% CI, 0.57 to 0.9, p=0.004 for all diagnoses and OR: 0.78; 95% CI, 0.61 to 1, p=0.049 for those with ambulatory care sensitive conditions)

The other study, a retrospective cohort study, with a serious risk of bias owing to lack of proper adjustment for confounders and handling of missing data, assessed transfer rate to inpatient care (i.e., hospitalization) among younger, mostly white females in the United States (mean age of 38 years).⁷⁷ The study identified a lower hospitalization rate among patients who had an initial telehealth visit (2.9 in-patient transfers for 207 patients [1.4 percent] in the telehealth group versus 7.0 for 207 patients [3.4 percent] in the in-person group, p>0.05). The difference in hospitalization rates was smaller in this population compared with the other study. The younger patient population, with fewer clinical comorbidities, might have resulted in a smaller difference between those who had in-person versus telehealth visits. Considering the consistent results and the demographic difference in populations, we conclude that for adult patients who receive care for general medical conditions, those who receive an initial telehealth visit have similar hospitalization rates compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Moderate) (Figure 5, Table 4).

3.3.3.2. General Medical Care, All Ages

Among patients of all ages who received care for general medical conditions, two observational studies reported hospitalization rates after an in-person or telehealth visit. One cohort study, with serious risk of bias owing to possible selection bias and intervention classification bias, among adults (median age of 42 years) reported hospitalization rates after an in-person or telehealth visit for care addressing general medical conditions. The study enrolled 741 patients who had in-person visits and 564 patients who had telehealth visits.⁵⁶ Lower hospitalization rates were reported among those who had an initial telehealth visit (11 hospitalization events [2 percent]) compared with those who had in-person visits (21 hospitalization events [2.8 percent)], p=0.31). The study only identified hospitalization events within the 14 days after the initial visit, which may have contributed to the small difference between the two groups. Another cohort study, with low risk of bias, reported hospitalization rates for patients with general medical care (all ages) with a diagnosis of acute or chronic ambulatory care sensitive conditions (i.e., conditions that would avoid healthcare utilization with proper ambulatory management of the disease). Among patients with acute ambulatory care sensitive conditions, the study enrolled claims data on 493,716 patients who had in-person visits and 113,857 patients who had telehealth visits.³ It identified higher hospitalization rates among those who had an initial telehealth visit than those who had an initial in-person visit (OR: 1.03; 95% CI, 0.98 to 1.08, with in-person visit as the reference). Among patients with chronic ambulatory care conditions, the study enrolled claims data on 410,743 patients who had inperson visits and 94,481 patients who had telehealth visits. It identified lower hospitalization rates among those who had an initial telehealth visit than those who had an initial in-person visit (OR: 0.94; 95% CI, 0.90 to 0.99, with in-person visit as the reference).

The study only identified hospitalization events that occurred within 14 days after the initial visit, which may have contributed to a modest difference between the two groups. The two studies showed conflicting results. The difference in the type of clinical conditions that they assessed may have resulted in conflicting results between two studies. The study favoring inperson care for a sub-population of patients ³ was much larger and assessed hospitalization rates separately for those with acute and chronic ambulatory care sensitive conditions, which may have resulted in more accurate parsing out of the difference in hospitalization patterns (Table 4). For patients of all ages who receive care for general medical conditions, those who receive an initial telehealth visit for an acute condition may have higher hospitalization rates compared with those who receive in-person care and those receive an initial telehealth visit for a chronic condition may have lower hospitalization rates compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Moderate) (Figure 5, Table 4).

Clinical Area/Condition	Number of Studies and N	Direction of Findings: Favors In- Person	Direction of Findings: No Difference/ Unclear	Direction of Findings: Favors Telehealth	Strength of Evidence Domains*	Conclusion
General medical care, Adults	2 studies (N=17,517) Cohort 2 studies ^{76,77} (N=17,517)	NA	NA	Cohort 2 studies ^{76, 77} (N=17,517)	High Direct Precise Consistent Undetected	For adult patients who receive care for general medical conditions, hospitalization rates may be similar for those receiving an initial telehealth visit compared with those who receive an initial in-person visit (SOE: Moderate).
General medical care, Children	No studies	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
General medical care, All ages	2 studies (N=608,878) Cohort 2 studies ^{3, 56} (N=608,878)	Cohort 1 study ³ (N=607,573)	NA	Cohort 2 studies ^{3, 56} (N=506,529)	Medium Direct Precise Inconsistent Undetected	For patients of all ages who receive care for general medical conditions, those who receive an initial telehealth visit for an acute condition may have higher hospitalization rates compared with those who receive in-person care and those who receive an initial telehealth visit for a chronic condition may have lower hospitalization rates compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Moderate).
Care for specific conditions, COVID-19	2 studies (N=4,677) Cohort 2 studies ^{57, 59} (N=4,677)	Cohort 1 study ⁵⁷ (N=4,384)	NA	Cohort 1 study ⁵⁹ (N=293)	High Direct Precise Inconsistent Undetected	For patients who receive specialized COVID-19 care, those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have higher hospitalization rates compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Low).
Care for specific conditions, Pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological care	2 studies (N=14,186) Cohort 2 studies ^{78, 79} (N=14,186)	Cohort 2 studies ^{78, 79} (N=14,186)	NA	NA	High Direct Precise Consistent Undetected	For patients who receive specialized pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological care, those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have slightly higher hospitalization rates compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Low).

Table 4. Summary of findings: hospitalization rates for patients receiving telehealth versus in-person care (N=18 studies)

Clinical Area/Condition	Number of Studies and N	Direction of Findings: Favors In- Person	Direction of Findings: No Difference/ Unclear	Direction of Findings: Favors Telehealth	Strength of Evidence Domains*	Conclusion
Care for specific conditions, Other conditions	9 studies (N=38,484) Cohort 8 studies ^{62, 64,} 65, 80-84 (N=37,574) Cross- sectional 1 study ⁸⁵ (N=910)	Cohort 3 studies ^{65, 80, 84} (N=28,137) Cross- sectional 1 study ⁸⁵ (N=910)		Cohort 5 studies ^{62, 64, 81-83} (N=9,437)	High Direct Precise inconsistent Suspected	For patients who receive care for specific conditions (excluding COVID-19 and pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological care), those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have lower hospitalization rates compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Low).
Surgical Care	1 study (N=535) Cohort 1 study ⁸⁶ (N=535)	NA	NA	Cohort 1 study ⁸⁶ (N=535)	High Direct Precise Unknown consistency Undetected	For patients receiving surgical care, those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have lower hospitalization rates compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Low).
General Behavioral/Mental Health	No studies	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Physical rehabilitation/ Functional impairment	No studies	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

NA = not applicable/no studies; SOE = strength of evidence. *The strength of evidence domains (as listed in descending order): study limitations, directness, precision, consistency, reporting bias.

Figure 5. Forest plot presenting hospitalization for patients who had an initial telehealth visit versus an initial in-person visit*

Author, year	Population	Followup	Total N		OR	(95% CI)
CO VID-19						
Casariego-Vales, 2021	COMD-19	68 days	4384			4 (6.60,11.80)
Korycinski, 2022	COMD-19	30 days	293	-•	0.6	5 (0.23,1.84)
General medical care - Adults						
Rysinka, 2021	Primary care, ACSC	NR	NR	•	0.7	8 (0.61,1.00)
Rysinka, 2021	Primary care, any hospitalization	NR	NR	•	0.73	2 (0.57, 0.90)
General medical care - Al Ages						
Phillips, 2021	Pulmonary	NR	1305		0.6	4 (0.31,1.35)
Hatef, 2022	Claim s data, acute care	NR	607573	+		3 (0.98, 1.08)
Hatef, 2022	Claims data, chronic care	NR	505224	1	0.9	4 (0.90, 0.99)
Pregnancy/Prenatal/OBGYN						
Duryea, 2021	Pregnancy	183 days	12607	+	1.0	0 (0.75, 1.33)
Arias, 2022	Postpartum	NR		Ť	1.1	2 (0.84, 1.49)
Specific Condition - Other						
Zhu, 2021	Rheumatology	NR	1493		0.3	8 (0.21, 0.71)
Zhao, 2021	Heart failure	82 days	82		4.7	6 (0.22, 102.26)
Ostberg, 2022	Chest pain	NR		+	1.0	8 (0.63, 1.86)
D'Anna, 2021	Strok e patients	3 months			0.8	8 (0.15, 5.34)
Sevilis, 2022	Strok e patients	24 hours		•	1.4	6 (1.04, 2.04)
Watson, 2021	Dementia	24 hours	1724	+	1.1	0 (0.58, 2.06)
Surgical						
Uppal, 2022	Postoperative	NR			0.8	8 (0.04, 18.57)
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Odds Ratio and 95% Confidence Intervals

ACSC = ambulatory care sensitive conditions; CI = confidence interval; N = sample size; NR = not reported; OBGYN = obstetrics and gynecology; OR = odds ratio. *Included studies reported categorical data from which an odds ratio was able to be calculated.

3.3.3.3. Care for Specific Conditions, COVID-19

Among patients with COVID-19 who received care, two observational studies reported hospitalization rates after an in-person or telehealth visit. One cohort study, with serious risk of bias owing to potentially inadequate adjustment for confounding factors and possible selection bias, assessed hospitalization rates after an in-person primary care visit or telehealth visit among patients with COVID-19 (patients' ages not reported). The study enrolled 3,197 patients who had in-person visits and 1,187 patients who had telehealth visits.⁵⁷ It identified lower hospitalization rates among those who had an initial in-person visit (65 hospitalization events [2 percent] among those in the in-person group versus 184 hospitalization events [15.5 percent] among those in the telehealth group, p<0.001) in the 68 days following the initial assessment. The monitoring of COVID-19 symptoms via telehealth and the lack of physical examination, as well as assessment of disease severity during the telehealth visit, might have contributed to the meaningful difference between the hospitalization rates in the two groups. Another cohort study among adult and elderly patients with COVID-19 (mean age of 46.03 years) assessed hospitalization rates after an in-person primary care visit or telehealth visit. The study enrolled 154 patients who had in-person visits and 139 patients who had telehealth visits.⁵⁹ This study reported lower hospitalization rates among those who had an initial telehealth visit compared with those who had an initial in-person visit (10 hospitalization events [6.5 percent] among those in the in-person group versus 6 events [4.3 percent] among those in the telehealth group, hazard ratio (HR): 0.578, 95% CI: 0.29 to 1.13, p=0.452) in the 30 days following the initial assessment.

The two studies showed conflicting results. The difference in the followup period (68 days versus 30 days) and the data collection period (later period in the COVID-19 era [starting December 20, 2020]⁵⁷ versus the early months of the pandemic [starting March 23, 2020]⁵⁹) may have resulted in conflicting results between two studies. The study favoring in-person care is a larger study (N=4,384 versus N= 293) with a longer followup period (Table 3). For patients who receive care for COVID-19, those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have higher hospitalization rates compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Low) (Figure 5, Table 4).

3.3.3.4. Care for Specific Conditions, Pregnancy/Prenatal/Gynecological Care

Among patients who received specialized care for pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological care, two observational studies reported hospitalization rates after an in-person versus a telehealth visit. One cohort study, with serious risk of bias owing to possible issues with confounders, assessed neonatal intensive care unit (NICU) admission rates for full-term newborns of patients who received in-person or telehealth prenatal care (mean age of 28 years). The study enrolled 6,559 patients who had in-person visits and 6,084 patients who had telehealth visits.⁷⁸ It identified slightly lower hospitalization rates among those who had an initial in-person visit (98 NICU admissions [1.5 percent] among those in the in-person group versus 94 NICU admissions [1.6 percent] among those in the telehealth group, p<0.001), but the difference in NICU admissions was not meaningful. Another cohort study, with moderate risk of bias, assessed neonatal intensive care nursery admission rates for patients who received in-person or telehealth group, p<1.001, but the difference in NICU admissions was not meaningful. Another cohort study, with moderate risk of bias, assessed neonatal intensive care nursery admission rates for patients who received in-person or telehealth postpartum care (median age of 30.35 years). The study enrolled 780 patients who had in-person visits and 799 patients who had telehealth visits.⁷⁹ It identified slightly lower hospitalization rates among those who had an initial in-person visit (102 admissions [13.1 percent] among those in the

in-person group versus 115 admissions [14.4 percent] among those in the telehealth group, p=0.45).

For patients who receive specialized pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological care, using telehealth may result in slightly higher hospitalization rates compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Low) (Figure 5, Table 4).

3.3.3.5. Care for Specific Conditions, Other Conditions

Among patients who received care for specific conditions, excluding COVID-19 and pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological care, nine observational studies reported hospitalization rates after an in-person or telehealth visit. One was a cohort study with a moderate risk of bias among older adults with heart failure (mean age of 71 years) enrolling 39 patients who had in-person visits and 43 patients who had telehealth visits.⁸⁰ The study identified slightly lower hospitalization rates among those who had an initial in-person visit (0 hospitalization events among those in the in-person group versus 2 hospitalization events among those in the telehealth group).

The second study, a cohort study with critical risk of bias owing to substantial concerns about baseline and time-varying confounders, was conducted in Portugal. This study assessed hospitalization rates among elderly patients with chronic heart failure (mean age of 71 years) and compared rates from the pre-COVID-19 era (mainly in-person visits) with rates from the COVID-19 era (mainly telehealth visits).⁶² The study identified a lower hospitalization rate among patients who had an initial telehealth visit (71 hospitalization events among 160 patients in the in-person group [44.3 percent] versus 11 hospitalization events among 43 patients in the telehealth group [25.6 percent]). The hospitalization event was assessed in the 497 days after the initial visit in the in-person group and 70 days in the telehealth group. Different followup periods might have contributed to this difference between the two groups.

The third study, a cohort study with a serious risk of bias owing to inadequate reporting for adjustment of confounding factors, assessed hospitalization rates among adult patients with irritable bowel syndrome (age range from 22 to 76 years of age; median age of 36 years).⁸¹ The study identified a lower hospitalization rate among patients who had an initial telehealth visit (17 hospitalization events among 1,036 patients in the in-person group [1.6 percent] versus 3 hospitalization events among 334 patients in the telehealth group [0.9 percent]).

The fourth study, a cohort study with serious risk of bias owing to concerns regarding inadequate adjustment for confounders, assessed hospitalization rates among rheumatology patients (mean age of 55 years).⁸² The study identified a lower hospitalization rate among patients who had an initial telehealth visit (33 hospitalization events among 1,286 patients in the in-person group [2.6 percent] versus 15 hospitalization events among 1,493 patients in the telehealth group [1 percent], p=0.002).

The fifth study, a cross-sectional study with serious risk of bias owing to issues with patient selection, assessed the hospitalization rates among adult patients with chest pain (median age of 44 years) in primary care clinics during the COVID-19 era.⁸⁵ The study identified a lower hospitalization rate among patients who had an initial in-person visit (27 hospitalization events among 455 patients in the in-person group [5.9 percent] versus 29 hospitalization events among 455 patients in the telehealth group [6.4 percent]).

The sixth study, a cohort study with serious risk of bias owing to concerns with addressing confounders, was conducted in the United Kingdom. This study assessed hospitalization rates among adult and elderly patients with stroke (median age of 65 years) and compared rates from

the pre-COVID-19 era (mainly in-person visits) with rates from the COVID-19 era (mainly telehealth visits).⁸³ The study identified a slightly lower hospitalization rate among patients who had an initial telehealth visit (3 hospitalization events owing to recurrent transient ischemic attack or stroke among 180 patients in the in-person group [1.67 percent] versus 2 hospitalization events among 136 patients in the telehealth group [1.47 percent], p=0.445).

The seventh study, a cohort study with critical risk of bias owing to issues with confounders and reporting bias, assessed hospitalization rates among adult and elderly patients with stroke (mean age of 66.7 years) and compared rates from the pre-COVID-19 era (mainly in-person visits) with rates from the COVID-19 era (mainly telehealth visits).⁸⁴ The study identified a higher hospitalization rate among patients who had an initial telehealth visit (66 hospitalization events for inpatient thrombolytic treatment among 15,226 patients in the in-person group [4 percent] versus 70 hospitalization events among 11,105 patients in the telehealth group [5.7 percent], p=0.033).

The eighth study, a cross-sectional study with serious risk of bias because of concerns with confounders, was conducted in Australia. This study assessed hospitalization rates among adult and elderly patients with cancer (mean age of 62.77 years) and compared rates from the pre-COVID-19 era (mainly in-person visits) with rates from the COVID-19 era (mainly telehealth visits).⁶⁵ The study identified a slightly higher hospitalization rate among patients who had an initial telehealth visit (18 of 814 patients [2.21 percent] in the in-person group versus 22 of 910 patients [2.42 percent] in the telehealth group, in 24 hours after the first visit, p=0.531).

The ninth study was a cohort study with moderate risk of bias. This study assessed hospitalization rates among adult and elderly patients with asthma (mean age not reported) and compared rates from the pre-COVID-19 era (mainly in-person visits) with rates from the COVID-19 era (mainly telehealth visits).⁶⁴ The study identified a slightly lower mean of hospitalization events among patients who had an initial telehealth visit (mean of <0.001, SE 0.062 among patients in the in-person group versus mean of 0, SE 0 among patients in telehealth-only group, p comparing the two groups not reported), but the difference was not clinically meaningful.

The nine studies showed conflicting results. Different patient populations, clinical conditions, followup periods (ranging from 1 to 497 days), and data collection periods (early period in the COVID-19 era⁸² versus the comparison between pre-COVID-19 and the COVID-19 era^{62, 64, 65, 80, 81, 83, 84}) may have resulted in conflicting results among these studies. Moreover, there were other critical confounders, such as COVID-19 infection as a risk of hospitalization event among the telehealth group (the COVID-19 era), and no risk in the in-person group (pre-COVID-19 era), that have not been taken into consideration in the reported comparison. The difference in hospitalization rates was much larger in one study than in the others. For patients who receive care for specific conditions (excluding COVID-19 and pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological care care), those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have lower hospitalization rates compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Low) (Figure 5, Table 4).

3.3.3.6. Surgical Care

One cohort study with moderate risk of bias assessed hospitalization rates among adult and elderly patients who underwent surgery (mean age of 56.6 years) and compared an in-person versus telehealth visit for post-operation followup. This study enrolled 437 patients who had in-person visits and 98 patients who had telehealth visits.⁸⁶ The study identified slightly lower hospitalization rates among those who had an initial telehealth visit than among those with an in-

person visit (2 postoperative intensive care unit [ICU] admissions [0.5 percent] among those in the in-person group versus 0 postoperative ICU admissions [0 percent] among those in telehealth group). For patients receiving surgical care, those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have lower hospitalization rates compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Low) (Table 4).

3.3.4. Readmission

We identified six observational studies that compared in-person with telehealth care and evaluated readmission rates (see Appendix D, Evidence Table D.5.5). The difference in readmission rates between in-person and telehealth care reported in these studies was not meaningful. Our confidence in our conclusions across the clinical conditions is low owing to weak study designs, issues with risk of bias, and a limited number of studies (see Table 5 and Figure 6). We also identified one study with no comparison that reported a readmission rate of 0.3 percent among patients with COVID-19 who received telehealth care (see Appendix D, Evidence Tables D.5.5 and D.5.6).⁷⁵

3.3.4.1. Care for Specific Conditions, COVID-19

Among patients with COVID-19, two observational studies reported readmission rates after an in-person or telehealth visit. One cohort with moderate risk of bias assessed readmission rates for patients in in-person and telehealth groups (mean age of 58 years).⁵⁸ This study reported slightly lower readmission rates among those in the telehealth group compared with those in the in-person group (26 readmission events [4.4 percent] among 593 patients in the in-person group versus 4 events [3.5 percent] among 114 patients in the telehealth group, p=0.67) in the 30 days following the initial assessment. The much smaller sample size for the telehealth group may have resulted in the detection of fewer readmission events in this group.

Another cohort study, with a serious risk of bias owing to concern about the handling of confounders and missing data, assessed readmission rates among patients with COVID-19 (mean age of 39 years) after an in-person or telehealth visit.⁸⁷ The study identified lower readmission rates related to COVID-19 complications among those who had an initial telehealth visit (1 readmission event [8 percent] among those in the in-person group versus 0 events among those in telehealth group) in the 72 hours following the initial assessment, but the difference was not meaningful. The short followup period may have resulted in the detection of fewer readmission events. For patients who receive specialized COVID-19 care, those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have similar readmission rates compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Low) (Table 5).

3.3.4.2. Care for Specific Conditions, Pregnancy/Prenatal/Gynecological Care

One cohort study, with moderate risk of bias, assessed 6-week readmission rates among patients with hypertensive disorder of pregnancy who received in-person or telehealth prenatal care (mean age of 30 years) and compared the pre-COVID-19 era (mainly in-person visits) with the COVID-19 era (mainly telehealth visits).⁸⁸ The study enrolled 215 patients who had inperson visits and 258 patients who had telehealth visits and reported slightly lower readmission rates among those who had an initial telehealth visit (38 readmissions [17.8 percent] among those in the in-person group versus 45 readmissions [17.4 percent] among those in the telehealth group, p=0.91). For patients who receive specialized pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological care,

Clinical Area/Condition	Number of Studies and N	Direction of Findings: Favors In- Person	Direction of Findings: No Difference/ Unclear	Direction of Findings: Favors Telehealth	Strength of Evidence Domains*	Conclusion
General medical care, Adults	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
General medical care, Children	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
General medical care, All ages	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Care for specific conditions, COVID-19	2 studies (N=992) Cohort 2 studies ^{58, 87} (N=992)	NA	NA	Cohort 2 studies ^{58, 87} (N=992)	High Direct Precise Consistent Undetected	For patients who receive specialized COVID-19 care, those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have similar readmission rates compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Low).
Care for specific conditions, Pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological care	1 study (N=473) Cohort 1 study ⁸⁸ (N=473)	NA	NA	Cohort 1 study ⁸⁸ (N=473)	High Direct Precise Unknown consistency Undetected	For patients who receive pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological care, readmission rates may be similar for those receiving telehealth compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Low).
Care for specific conditions, Other conditions	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	ŇA
Surgical care	3 studies (N=843) Cohort 3 studies ^{66, 86, 89} (N=843)	Cohort 1 study ⁶⁶ (N=219)	Cohort 1 study ⁸⁹ (N=89)	Cohort 2 studies ^{66, 86} (N=754)	High Direct Precise Consistent Undetected	For patients receiving surgical care, those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have similar readmission rates compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Low).
General behavioral/Mental health	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	ŇA
Physical rehabilitation/Functional impairment	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

Table 5. Summary of findings: readmission rates for patients receiving telehealth versus in-person care (N=6 studies)

NA = not applicable/no studies; SOE = strength of evidence.

*The strength of evidence domains (as listed in descending order): study limitations, directness, precision, consistency, reporting.

Figure 6. Forest plot presenting readmissions for patients who had an initial telehealth visit versus an initial in-person visit*

Author, year	Population	Followup	Total N		OR (95% CI)
COVID-19					
Borgen, 2021	COVID-19	30 days	707		0.79 (0.27, 2.32)
Carlberg, 2020	COVID-19	72 hours	285	· •	0.29 (0.01, 7.07)
Pregnancy/Prenata	I/OBGYN				
Khosla, 2022	Hy pertensive disorder of pregnancy	6 weeks	473	+	0.98 (0.61, 1.58)
Surgical					
Boles, 2022	Thyroid/parathyroid surgery	NR	89		Zero events
Irarrazaval, 2021	Abdominal surgery patients	NR	219		0.34 (0.07, 1.74)
Uppal, 2022	Postoperative visit	90 days	535	+	0.89 (0.43, 1.70)
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Odds Ratio and 95% Confidence Intervals

CI = confidence interval; N = sample size; NR = not reported; OBGYN = obstetrics and gynecology; OR = odds ratio. *Included studies reported categorical data from which an odds ratio was able to be calculated.

readmission rates may be similar for those receiving telehealth compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Low) (Table 5).

3.3.4.3. Surgical Care

Among patients who received surgical care, three observational studies reported readmission rates after an in-person or telehealth visit. One cohort study with serious risk of bias, owing to issues with confounders, assessed readmission rates among adult and elderly patients who underwent thyroid/parathyroid surgery (mean age of 47.1 years) and had an in-person versus telehealth visit for post-operation followup. This study enrolled 66 patients who had in-person visits and 23 patients who had telehealth visits.⁸⁹ The study identified no difference in readmission rates among those who had an initial telehealth visit than among those with an inperson visit (0 readmission [0 percent] among those in the in-person group versus 0 [0 percent] among those in telehealth group). Another cohort study with serious risk of bias, owing to concerns with lack of adjustment for confounders, was conducted in Chile. It assessed readmission rates among adult and elderly patients who underwent abdominal surgery (mean age of 49 years) and had an in-person versus telehealth visit for post-operation followup. The study enrolled 113 patients who had in-person visits and 106 patients who had telehealth visits.⁶⁶ The study identified lower readmission rates for elective surgery among those who had an initial telehealth visit than among those who had an in-person visit (2 readmission events [1.9 percent] among those in the in-person group versus 6 [5.3 percent] among those in telehealth group, p=0.32). But the readmission rates for urgent/emergency surgery among those who had an initial telehealth visit was higher than among those who had an in-person visit (3 readmission events [2.7 percent] among those in the in-person group versus 4 readmission events [3.8 percent] among those in telehealth group, p=0.32]. The third study was a cohort study with moderate risk of bias that assessed readmission rates among adult and elderly surgical patients (mean age of 56.6 years) that had an in-person versus telehealth visit for post-operation followup. This study enrolled 437 patients who had in-person visits and 98 patients who had telehealth visits.⁸⁶ The study identified slightly lower 90-day readmission rates among those who had an initial telehealth visit than among those who had an in-person visit [OR: 0.89; 95% CI, 0.43 to 1.7, p=0.77].

Different patient populations, clinical conditions, and followup periods may have resulted in conflicting results among these studies. The difference in readmission rates was larger in the study and in clinical setting favoring telehealth, however these were not meaningful. For patients receiving surgical care, those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have similar readmission rates compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Low) (Table 5).

3.3.5. Clinical Outcomes

3.3.5.1. Mortality

We identified seven observational studies that compared in-person and telehealth care and evaluated mortality rates (see Appendix D, Evidence Table D.6.1). For five of the studies, the differences of mortality rates between in-person and telehealth care were small and not clinically meaningful. For patients with cardiac conditions, telehealth seemed to have lower mortality rates compared with in-person care. For surgical patients using telehealth for post-operation followup, telehealth seemed to result in higher mortality rates compared with in-person care. Our

confidence in our conclusions across the clinical conditions is low owing to weak study designs, issues with risk of bias, and a limited number of studies (see Table 6 and Figure 7).

There were another nine studies that reported mortality rates for patients who received telehealth care (with no comparison).^{49, 51, 54, 68-72, 90} These studies generally reported mortality rates of 0.3 percent to 12.5 percent after receipt of telehealth care. Studies varied in their patient and provider characteristics and clinical conditions which resulted in a wide range of mortality rates (see Appendix D, Evidence Tables D.6.1 and D.6.2).

3.3.5.1.1. Care for Specific Conditions, Pregnancy/Prenatal/Gynecological Care

Among patients who received specialized care for pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological care, two observational studies reported mortality rates after an in-person versus a telehealth visit. One cross-sectional study with a moderate risk of bias assessed successful medical abortion rates among patients who received an in-person versus a telehealth medical abortion visit (mean age of 28 years). This study enrolled 22,158 patients who had in-person visits and 29,984 patients who had telehealth visits.⁹¹ The study identified no difference in mortality rates between the two groups (no deaths in the 59 days after the visit in the in-person group and no deaths in the 85 days after the visit in the telehealth group). A cohort study with a moderate risk of bias assessed neonatal intensive care nursery mortality rates for infants of patients who received in-person versus telehealth postpartum care (median age of 30.35 years). The study enrolled 780 patients who had in-person visits and 799 patients who had telehealth visits.⁷⁹ It identified slightly lower mortality rates among those who had an initial in-person visit (11 deaths [1.4 percent] among those in the in-person group versus 13 deaths [1.6 percent] among those in the telehealth group, p=0.72).

For patients who receive specialized pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological care, those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have similar mortality rates compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Low) (Table 6).

3.3.5.1.2. Care for Specific Conditions, Other Conditions

Among patients who received care for specific conditions, excluding COVID-19 and pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological care, three observational studies reported mortality rates after an in-person versus a telehealth visit. One study, a cohort study with critical risk of bias owing to substantial concerns about how time-varying confounders were addressed, was conducted in Portugal. This study assessed mortality rates among elderly patients with chronic heart failure (mean age of 71 years) and compared rates from the pre-COVID-19 era (mainly in-person visits) with rates from the COVID-19 era (mainly telehealth visits).⁶² The study identified a lower mortality rate among patients who had an initial telehealth visit (20 deaths among 160 patients in the in-person group [12.5 percent] versus 1 death among 43 patients in the telehealth group [2.3 percent]). The death events were assessed in the 497 days after the initial visit in the in-person group and in the 70 days after the initial visit in the telehealth group. A small sample size and a much shorter followup period for the telehealth group may have contributed to the detection of fewer death events in this group.

Clinical Area	Number of Studies and N	Direction of Findings: Favors In- Person	Direction of Findings: No Difference/ Unclear	Direction of Findings: Favors Telehealth	Strength of Evidence Domains	Conclusion
General medical care, Adults	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
General medical care, Children	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
General medical care, All ages	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Care for specific conditions, COVID-19	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Care for specific conditions, Pregnancy/prenatal/gy necological care	2 studies (N=53,721) Cohort 1 study ⁷⁹ (N=1,579) Cross-sectional 1 study ⁹¹ (N=52,142)	Cohort 1 study ⁷⁹ (N=1,579)	Cross- sectional 1 study ⁹¹ (N=52,142)	NA	High Direct Precise Consistent Undetected	For patients who receive specialized pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological care, those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have similar mortality rates compared with those who receive in- person care (SOE: Low).
Care for specific conditions, Other conditions	3 studies (N=2,009) Cohort 2 studies ^{62, 80} (N=285) Cross-sectional 1 study ⁶⁵ (N=1,724)	NA	NA	Cohort 2 studies ^{62, 80} (N=285) Cross- sectional 1 study ⁶⁵ (N=1,724)	High Direct Precise Consistent Undetected	For patients who receive care for specific conditions (excluding COVID- 19 and pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological care), those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have lower mortality rates compared with those who receive in- person care (SOE: Low).
Surgical care	2 studies (N=754) Cohort 2 studies ^{66, 86} (N=754)	Cohort 1 study ⁶⁶ (N=219)	NA	Cohort 1 study ⁸⁶ (N=535)	High Direct Precise Inconsistent Undetected	For patients receiving surgical care, those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have higher mortality rates compared with those who receive in- person care (SOE: Low).
General behavioral/Mental health	No studies	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Physical rehabilitation/ Functional impairment	No studies	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

Table 6. Summary of findings: mortality for patients receiving telehealth versus in-person care (N=7 studies)

NA = not applicable/no studies; SOE = strength of evidence. *The strength of evidence domains (as listed in descending order): study limitations, directness, precision, consistency, reporting bias.

Author, year	Population	Followup	Total N		OR (95% CI)
Pregnancy/Prenatal/OBG YN					
Aiken, 2021	Pregnancy	85 days	52142		Zero events
Arias, 2022	Postpartum visits	NR	1579	+	1.16 (0.51, 2.60)
Specific Condition - Other					
Afonso Noguueria, 2021	Cardiology	70 days	203		0.17 (0.02, 1.28)
Zhao, 2021	Heart Failure	82 days	82		0.44 (0.04, 5.06)
Watson, 2021	Cancer patients	30 days	1724	<	0.06 (0.00, 1.04)
Surgical					
Irarrazaval, 2021	Abdominal surgery patients	NR	219		Zero events
Uppal, 2022	Postoperative visits	90 days	535	+	2.26 (0.48, 7.72)
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Figure 7. Forest plot presenting mortality outcomes for patients who had an initial telehealth visit versus an initial in-person visit*

Odds Ratio and 95% Confidence Intervals

CI = confidence interval; N = sample size; NR = not reported; OBGYN = obstetrics and gynecology; OR = odds ratio. *Included studies reported categorical data from which an odds ratio was able to be calculated.

The second study was a cohort study with a moderate risk of bias among older adults with heart failure (mean age of 71 years) enrolling 39 patients who had in-person visits and 43 who had telehealth visits.⁸⁰ The study identified lower mortality rates among those who had an initial telehealth visit (5.1 percent mortality rate among those in the in-person group versus 2.33 percent mortality rate among those in the telehealth group, p=0.60).

The third study, a cross-sectional study with serious risk of bias owing to lack of information on adjusting for confounders, was conducted in Australia. This study assessed mortality rates among adult and elderly patients with cancer (mean age of 62.77 years) and compared rates from the pre-COVID-19 era (mainly in-person visits) with rates from the COVID-19 era (mainly telehealth visits).⁶⁵ The study identified a slightly higher mortality rate among patients who had an initial in-person visit (7 death events among 814 patients [0.86 percent] in the in-person group versus 0 death events among 910 patients [0 percent] in the telehealth group in 30 days after the first visit, p=0.008). A short followup period may have resulted in the small difference in death events between the two groups. For patients who receive care for specific conditions (excluding COVID-19 and pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological care), those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have lower mortality rates compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Low) (Table 6).

3.3.5.1.3. Surgical Care

Among patients who received surgical care, two observational studies reported mortality rates after an in-person versus a telehealth visit. One cohort study with serious risk of bias, owing to concerns with confounders, assessed mortality rates among patients who underwent abdominal surgery (median age of 49 years) and had an in-person versus telehealth visit for post-operation followup. This study enrolled 113 patients who had in-person visits and 106 patients who had telehealth visits.⁶⁶ The study identified no difference in mortality rates between the two groups [0 death events among those in the in-person group versus 0 death events among those in telehealth group].

Another cohort study with moderate risk of bias assessed mortality rates among adult and elderly patients who underwent surgery (mean age of 56.6 years) and had an in-person versus telehealth visit for post-operation followup. This study enrolled 437 patients who had in-person visits and 98 patients who had telehealth visits.⁸⁶ The study identified higher mortality rates among those who had an initial telehealth visit compared with those who had an in-person visit [OR: 2.26; 95% CI, 0.48 to 7.72, p=0.32]. The study favoring in-person visits was larger and the mortality rates were assessed in the 90 days after the surgery, which may have contributed to the detection of a clinically meaningful difference between the two groups. For patients receiving surgical care, those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have higher mortality rates compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Low) (Table 6).

3.3.6. Patient-Reported Outcomes

We identified five observational studies that compared in-person care with telehealth care and evaluated patient-reported outcomes (see Appendix D, Evidence Table D.6.3). For three of the studies, the differences in patient-reported outcomes between in-person and telehealth care were small and not clinically meaningful. For patients who receive weight management care, those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have better patient-reported outcomes compared with those who receive in-person care. For patients receiving pregnancy/postnatal care, those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have worse patient-reported outcomes compared with those who receive in-person care. Our confidence in our conclusion is low, owing to weak study design, issues with risk of bias, and a limited number of studies (see Table 7 and Figure 8).

Another four studies reported patient-reported outcomes for patients who received telehealth (with no comparisons).⁹²⁻⁹⁵ These studies generally reported changes in different types of pain (i.e., headache, neuropathic, and shoulder pain), mobility, and self-care from baseline. The change in pain scores ranged considerably from 0.2 to -28.9. Patients showed higher rates of full mobility and ability for self-care after participating in a telehealth home-based program versus before participation (see Appendix D, Evidence Tables D.6.2 and D.6.3).⁹⁵

3.3.6.1. Care for Specific Conditions, Pregnancy/Prenatal/Gynecological Care

Among patients who received pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological care, one cohort study with moderate risk of bias, performed postpartum depression screening among patients who received in-person or telehealth postpartum care (median age of 30.35 years). The study enrolled 780 patients who had in-person visits and 799 patients who had telehealth visits.⁷⁹ It identified higher rates of postpartum depression among those who had an initial telehealth visit (368 patients [65.1 percent] in the in-person group versus 571 patients [86.3 percent] in the telehealth group, OR: 4.61; 95% CI, 3.38 to 6.28, p=0.32]. p<0.001). For patients who receive pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological care, those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have worse patient-reported outcomes compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Low) (Table 7).

3.3.6.2. Care for Specific Conditions, Other Conditions

Among patients who received care for specific conditions (excluding COVID-19 and pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological care), one observational study reported patient-reported outcomes after an in-person versus a telehealth visit. The prospective cohort, with a serious risk of bias owing to concerns about adjustment for confounders and missing data, assessed weight loss among patients who received telehealth versus in-person visits in a weight management clinic.⁹⁶ The study enrolled 228 obese patients in the in-person group and 51 obese patients in the telehealth group. It identified lower rates of deterioration in the dietary habit score among patients in the telehealth group (97 of 228 patients [42.54 percent] in the in-person group versus 17 of 51 patients [33.33 percent] in the telehealth group). The smaller sample size in the telehealth group compared with the in-person group may have resulted in the detection of fewer patients with deterioration in their dietary habit score. For patients who receive care for specific conditions (excluding COVID-19 and pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological care), those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have better patient-reported outcomes compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Low) (Table 7).

Clinical Area	Number of Studies and N	Direction of Findings: Favors In-Person	Direction of Findings: No Difference/ Unclear	Direction of Findings: Favors Telehealth	Strength of Evidence Domains*	Conclusion
General medical care, Adults	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
General medical care, Children	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
General medical care, All ages	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Care for specific conditions, COVID-19	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Care for specific conditions, Pregnancy/pren atal/gynecologic al care	1 study (N=1,579) Cohort 1 study ⁷⁹ (N=1,579))	Cohort 1 study ⁷⁹ (N=1,579))	NA	NA	High Direct Precise Unknown consistency Undetected	For patients who receive specialized pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological care, those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have worse patient-reported outcomes compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Low).
Care for specific conditions, Other conditions	1 study (N=279) Cohort 1 study ⁹⁶ (N=279))	NA	NA	Cohort 1 study ⁹⁶ (N=279)	High Direct Precise Unknown consistency Undetected	For patients who receive care for specific conditions (excluding COVID-19 and pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological care), those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have better patient-reported outcomes compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Low).
Surgical care	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
General behavioral/Ment al health	3 studies (N=515) Cohort 3 studies ⁹⁷⁻⁹⁹ (N=515)	Cohort 1 study ⁹⁷ (N=93))	NA	Cohort 2 studies ^{98, 99} (N=422)	High Direct Precise Consistent Undetected	For patients receiving care for general behavioral and mental health conditions, those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have better patient-reported outcomes compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Low).
Physical rehabilitation/ Functional impairment	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

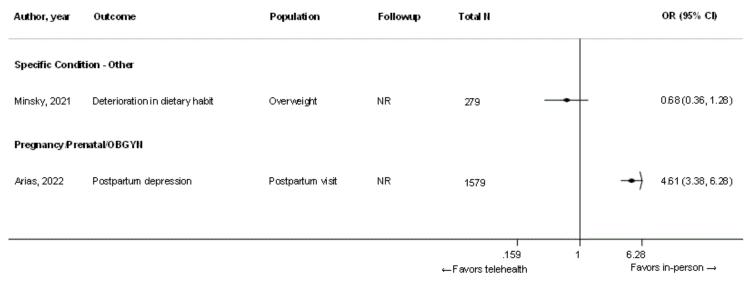
Table 7. Summary of findings: patient-reported outcomes for patients receiving telehealth care versus in-person care (N=5 studies)

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 NA = not applicable/no studies; SOE = strength of evidence.

*The strength of evidence domains (as listed in descending order): study limitations, directness, precision, consistency, reporting bias.

Figure 8. Forest plot presenting patient-reported outcomes for patients who had an initial telehealth visit versus an initial in-person visit*



Odds Ratio and 95% Confidence Intervals

CI = confidence interval; N = sample size; NR = not reported; OBGYN = obstetrics and gynecology; OR = odds ratio. *Included studies reported categorical data from which an odds ratio was able to be calculated.

3.3.6.3. Care for General Behavioral and Mental Health Conditions

Among patients who received care for general behavioral and mental health conditions, three observational studies reported patient-reported outcomes after an in-person versus a telehealth visit. One cohort, with serious risk of bias owing to serious concerns with addressing confounders, assessed eating disorders among adult patients (mean age of 24.52 years) enrolled in a multidisciplinary intensive outpatient program receiving care through in-person (N=60) or telehealth (N=33) visits.⁹⁷ Patients who had an in-person visit experienced more improvement in their eating disorder (larger change in the overall score of the Eating Disorder Examination Questionnaire v4 comparing the followup to baseline score) than those who had a telehealth visit (mean of 4.1; standard deviation (SD) 1.07 in the overall score at baseline and mean of 2.37; SD 1.24 in the followup for patients in the in-patient group versus mean of 3.56; SD 1.42 in the overall score at baseline and mean of 2.56; SD 1.14 in the followup for patients in the telehealth group). On average, the patients stayed in this eating disorder program for 11.32 weeks (SD 7.64) and the mean of stay did not differ between the two groups (p=0.762).

A second cohort study with moderate risk of bias among adult patients (age range of 18 to 87 years) assessed overall psychological functioning and adjustment among patients with psychiatric diseases and compared those from the pre-COVID-19 era (mainly in-person visits) with those from the COVID-19 era (mainly telehealth visits).⁹⁸ This study reported that patients who had a telehealth visit experienced better general psychological adjustment (a lower score in the Brief adjustment scale-6; a 6-item self-report scale designed to address overall psychological functioning and adjustment) than those who had an in-person visit (mean of 23.91 in the scale for 196 patients in the in-patient group versus mean of 21.01 for 196 patients in the telehealth group, p=<0.00).

A third cohort study, with serious risk of bias owing to issues with addressing confounders, assessed general mental health among caregivers and children (mean age of 47.17 years for caregivers and 11.08 for children) and compared data from the pre-COVID-19 era (mainly inperson visits) with data from the COVID-19 era (mainly telehealth visits).⁹⁹ It identified that, among the 12 patients enrolled in the study, general mental health improved 20 weeks after enrolling in the focused group parenting intervention via telehealth compared with mental health before enrollment (baseline mean of the Patient Health Questionnaire–9 [PHQ-9] score 7.8; SD 5.96 versus followup mean of the PHQ-9 score 3.1; SD 2.02, Cohen's d: -0.75; 95% CI: -0.62 to 8.78, with higher PHQ-9 score indicating greater severity of depressive symptoms).

Different patient populations, clinical conditions, and followup periods may have resulted in conflicting results among these studies. The studies also used different questionnaires with varying degrees of accuracy to assess the mental health status of their patients. The sample size and difference between in-person and telehealth groups were small in the study favoring inperson visits.⁹⁷ For patients receiving care for general behavioral and mental health conditions, those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have better patient-reported outcomes compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Low) (Table 7).

3.3.7. Condition-Specific Clinical Outcomes

We identified 11 observational studies that compared in-person care with telehealth care and evaluated a variety of condition-specific clinical outcomes (see Appendix D, Evidence Table D.6.5). Our confidence in our conclusions across the clinical conditions is low owing to weak study designs, issues with risk of bias, and a limited number of studies (see Table 8 and Figure

9). There were also two studies with no comparison: one study that included 663 patients reported a successful, complete abortion in 650 patients (98 percent) who received medical abortion through telehealth visits;⁷⁴ one study assessed rotator cuff–related shoulder pain and identified improvement in 40 percent of 11 patients who received only advice during their telehealth visit, in 50 percent of 12 patients who received care and exercise recommendations during their telehealth visit, and in 75 percent of 12 patients who received telerehabilitation in addition to care and exercise recommendations during their telehealth visit (see Appendix D, Evidence Tables D.6.5 and D.6.6).⁹³

3.3.7.1. Care for Specific Conditions, Pregnancy/Prenatal/Gynecological Care

Among patients who received specialized care for pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological care, two observational studies reported clinical outcomes after an in-person versus a telehealth visit. One cross-sectional study, with a moderate risk of bias, assessed successful medical abortion rates among patients who received an in-person (N=22,158) or telehealth visit (N=29,984) (mean age of 28 years).⁹¹ This study identified a slightly higher success rate for patients in the telehealth group compared with those in the in-person group (21,769 [98.2 percent] successful abortions among those in the in-person group in the 59 days after the initial visit versus 29,618 [98.8 percent] successful abortions among those in the telehealth group in the 85 days after the initial visit, p=1.0), but the difference was not clinically meaningful. The shorter followup period for the in-person group may have resulted in the identification of a slighter lower success rate in this group. Another cohort study, with moderate risk of bias, assessed breast feeding practice among patients who received in-person (N=780) versus telehealth (N=799) postpartum care (median age of 30.35 years).⁷⁹ It identified slightly higher rates of breast feeding among those who had an initial in-person visit (420 [75.3 percent] patients in the in-person group versus 473 [72.3 percent] patients in the telehealth group practicing breast feeding, p=0.45 OR: 0.09; 95% CI: 0.68 to 1.18, p=0.25). Different patient populations and clinical conditions may have resulted in conflicting results between the two studies. The difference between in-person and telehealth groups was larger and clinically more meaningful in the study favoring in-person visits.⁷⁹ For patients who receive specialized pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological care, those who receive an initial in-person visit may have slightly better clinical outcomes compared with those who receive telehealth care (SOE: Low) (Table 8).

3.3.7.2. Care for Specific Conditions, Other Conditions

We identified seven observational studies that reported different condition-specific outcomes among patients who received care for specific conditions. Four of the studies reported results favoring telehealth compared with in-person care. One was a cohort study, with serious risk of bias owing to concerns regarding inadequate adjustment for confounders and missing data, among children with epilepsy (mean age not reported) enrolling 101 patients who had in-person visits and 16 who had telehealth visits.¹⁰⁰ The study identified a higher remission rate among those who had an initial telehealth visit compared with those who had an in-person visit (70 percent remission rate in 1 month and 75 percent in 3 months in the in-person group versus 88 percent remission rate in 1 and 3 months in the telehealth group). The second study, a cohort

 Table 8. Summary of findings: condition-specific clinical outcomes for patients receiving telehealth versus in-person care (N=11 studies)

Clinical Area	Number of Studies and N	Direction of Findings: Favors In-Person	Direction of Findings: No Difference/ Unclear	Direction of Findings: Favors Tele- health	Strength of Evidence Domains*	Conclusion
General medical care, Adults	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
General medical care, Children	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
General medical care, All ages	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Care for specific conditions, COVID-19	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Care for specific conditions, Pregnancy/pren atal/gynecologic al care	2 studies (N=53,721) Cohort 1 study ⁷⁹ (N=1,579) Cross-sectional 1 study ⁹¹ (N=52,142)	Cohort 1 study ⁷⁹ (N=1,579)	NA	Cross- sectional 1 study ⁹¹ (N=52,142)	High Direct Imprecise Inconsistent Undetected	For patients who receive specialized pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological care, those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have worse condition-specific clinical outcomes compared with those who receive in- person care (SOE: Low).
Care for specific conditions, Other conditions	7 studies (N=42,172) Cohort 7 studies ^{64,96,100-104} (N=42,172)	Cohort 3 studies ^{64, 103, 104} (N=40,736)	NA	Cohort 4 studies ^{96, 100-} ¹⁰² (N=1,436)	High Direct Precise Inconsistent Undetected	For patients who receive care for specific conditions (excluding COVID-19 and pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological care), those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have worse condition-specific clinical outcomes compared with those who receive in- person care (SOE: Low).
Surgical care	1 study (N=94) Cohort 1 study ⁸⁹ (N=94)		NA	Cohort 1 study ⁸⁹ (N=94)	High Direct Imprecise Unknown consistency Undetected	For patients receiving surgical care, those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have better condition-specific clinical outcomes compared with those who receive in- person care (SOE: Low).
General behavioral/Ment al health	1 study (N=93) Cohort 1 study ⁹⁷ (N=93)	NA	NA	Cohort 1 study ⁹⁷ (N=93)	High Direct Imprecise	For patients receiving care for general behavioral and mental health conditions, those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have

Clinical Area	Number of Studies and N	Direction of Findings: Favors In-Person	Direction of Findings: No Difference/ Unclear	Direction of Findings: Favors Tele- health	Strength of Evidence Domains*	Conclusion
					Unknown consistency Undetected	better condition-specific clinical outcomes compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Low).
Physical rehabilitation/ Functional impairment	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

NA = not applicable/no studies; SOE = strength of evidence. *The strength of evidence domains (as listed in descending order): study limitations, directness, precision, consistency, reporting bias.

Figure 9. Forest plot presenting condition specific outcomes for patients who had an initial telehealth visit versus an initial in-person	
visit*	

Author, year	Outcome	Population	Followup	Total N	Reference	Comparator	OR (95% CI)	
Pregnancy/Pre	enatal/OBGYN							
Aiken, 2021†	Successful Medical Abortion	Pregnancy	85 days	52142	In-person	Telemedicine	 1.45 (1.25, 1.67) 	
Arias, 2022	Any breastfeeding	Postpartum visits	NR	1579	Pre-telehealth	Telemedicine	• 0.90 (0.68, 1.18)	
Specific Cond						← Favors in-person	Favors telehealth →	
specific Cond	ition - Other							
Fredwall, 2021	In remission or had improvements	Epilepsy	1 month	117	In-person	Telemedicine	• 2.96 (0.63, 13.82)	
Fredwall, 2021	In remission or had improvements	Epilepsy	3 months	117	In-person	Telemedicine	2.30 (0.49, 10.74)	
Mair, 2021	Disease in remission	Rheumatology patients	NR	550	Pre-COVID	Telemedicine	• 1.76 (1.13, 2.74)	
Minsky, 2021	Likely to lose weight	Overweight	NR	279	No telemedicine	Telemedicine	 2.79 (1.04, 7.48) 	
Tchang, 2022	≥5% weight loss	Overweight/Obese patients	6 months	160	In-person	Video	 1.69 (0.90, 3.17) 	
		patients				← Favors in-person	Favors telehealth \rightarrow	
Ye, 2022	Not meeting the Controlling High Blood Pressure quality measure	High blood pressure	NR	27623	In-person	1 telemedicine visit	• 2.06 (1.94, 2.18)	
Ye, 2022	Not meeting the Controlling High Blood Pressure quality measure	High blood pressure	NR	25849	In-person	≥2 telemedicine visits	• 2.49 (2.31, 2.68)	
						← Favors telehealth	Favors in-person →	

Odds Ratio and 95% Confidence Intervals

CI = confidence interval; N = sample size; NR = not reported; OBGYN = obstetrics and gynecology; OR = odds ratio.

*Included studies reported categorical data from which an odds ratio was able to be calculated.

[†]The odds ratio for the outcome of successful medical abortion from Aiken, 2021⁹¹ was calculated by the authors of this report. The confidence interval of the odds ratio does not match the statistical significance of the original article owing to additional adjustments in the calculation of the p-value in the paper.

study with serious risk of bias owing to concerns regarding adjustment for confounders and missing data, assessed weight loss among patients who had in-person visits versus those who had telehealth visits in a weight management clinic. This study, which enrolled 228 obese patients in the in-person group and 51 obese patients in the telehealth group, reported significantly higher weight loss among patients in the telehealth group (OR: 2.79; 95% CI, 1.04 to 7.48, p=0.042).96 The third study with results favoring telehealth was a cohort study with moderate risk of bias that assessed disease remission rates among rheumatology patients (mean age of 55 years).¹⁰¹ This study identified a higher remission rate among patients who had an initial telehealth visit (162 of 210 patients [77.1 percent] who had an initial in-person visit and 291 of 340 patients [85.6 percent] who had an initial telehealth visit, with the difference in risk of: 0.08; 95% CI, 0.02 to 0.15, p<0.05). The fourth study, a cohort study with serious risk of bias owing to serious concerns about addressing confounders, assessed weight management among overweight/obese patients who received wellness and health education (median age of 49 years).¹⁰² This study identified a higher rate of at least 5 precent weight loss among patients who had an initial telehealth visit compared with those who had an in-person visit (32 of 69 patients [46.4 percent] with an initial in-person visit and 54 of 91 patients [59.3 percent] with an initial telehealth visit, p=0.26). The difference was also clinically meaningful. The weight loss was assessed 6 months after receiving the education.

The remaining three studies were larger and reported results favoring in-person compared with telehealth care. A cohort study with moderate risk of bias assessed meeting the "controlling high blood pressure quality measure" among patients with hypertension (mean age of 65.4 years).¹⁰³ This study compared patients who had an in-person visit (N=20,745) with those who had one telehealth visit (N=6,878) and those who had two or more telehealth visits (N=5,104). The study identified a higher rate of patients not meeting the "controlling high blood pressure quality measures" among patients who had an initial telehealth visit (OR: 2.06; 95% CI, 1.94 to 2.18, p=<0.001 for those with one telehealth visits compared with those with an in-person visit). This difference was also clinically meaningful.

Another cohort study with low risk of bias assessed asthma exacerbations among adult and elderly patients and compared data from the pre-COVID-19 era (mainly in-person visits) with data from the COVID-19 era (mainly telehealth visits).⁶⁴ The study identified a lower mean of exacerbation events among patients who had an initial in-person visit (mean of 0.127, SE 0.015 among patients in the in-person group [N=1792] versus mean of 0.161, SE 0.018 among patients in telehealth group [N=1952], p comparing the two groups not reported). Finally, a cohort study with 204 patients with keratoconus (mean age of 29.36 years), and with serious risk of bias owing to issues with confounders, assessed the diagnostic accuracy and reliability of telehealth visits in detecting keratoconus progression compared with in-person visit, with the telehealth visit having lower rates of detection of keratoconus progression (Specificity: 95.8, Sensitivity: 69.2, Positive Predictive Value: 52.9, and Negative Predictive Value: 97.9 comparing telehealth to in-person visit).

Different patient populations and clinical conditions may have resulted in conflicting results among these studies. The difference between in-person and telehealth groups was larger and clinically meaningful in studies favoring in-person visits. For patients who receive care for specific conditions (excluding COVID-19 and pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological care), those

who receive an initial telehealth visit may have worse condition-specific clinical outcomes compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Low) (Table 8).

3.3.7.3. Surgical Care

Among patients who received surgical care, one cohort study, with serious risk of bias owing to lack of information on adjusting for confounders, was conducted among adult and elderly patients who underwent thyroid/parathyroid surgery (mean age of 47.1 years) and had an inperson versus telehealth visit for post-operation followup.⁸⁹ The study reported that patients in the telehealth group (N=28) experienced less intraoperative blood loss compared with those in the in-person group (N=66) (mean: 35.5; SD 56.7 among those in the in-person group versus mean: 19.4; SD 26.4 among those in telehealth group, p=0.06). For patients receiving surgical care, those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have better condition-specific clinical outcomes compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Low) (Table 8).

3.3.7.4. Care for General Behavioral and Mental Health Conditions

Among patients who received care for general behavioral and mental health conditions, one cohort study, with serious risk of bias owing to concerns about addressing confounders and patient selection, assessed eating disorders among adult patients (mean age of 24.52 years) enrolled in a multidisciplinary intensive outpatient program and receiving care through in-person (N=60) or telehealth (N=33) visits. ⁹⁷ It identified that patients who had a telehealth visit experienced more improvement in their eating disorder (weight gain presented as an increased body mass index [BMI]) than those with an in-person visit (BMI mean of 24.78; SD 7.63 for patients in the in-patient group versus BMI mean of 26.26; SD 10.39 for patients in the telehealth group). On average the patients stayed in this eating disorder program for 11.32 weeks (SD 7.64) and the mean of stay did not differ between two groups (p=0.762). For patients receiving care for general behavioral and mental health conditions, those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have better condition-specific clinical outcomes compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Low) (Table 8).

3.3.8. Adverse Events

We identified nine observational studies and one randomized controlled trial (RCT) that compared in-person and telehealth care and reported adverse events (see Appendix D, Evidence Table D.6.7). For the majority of the studies, the differences of reported adverse events between in-person and telehealth care were small. We were unable to make a general statement about performance of in-person versus telehealth, as the clinical conditions, patient/ provider characteristics, and type of assessment performed during the visit varied across the small number of studies included in this evidence synthesis. All of these factors impacted the outcome of the visit and the possibility of an adverse event being reported. Our confidence in our conclusions across the clinical conditions is low owing to weak study designs, issues with risk of bias, and a limited number of studies (see Table 9 and Figure 10). Another four studies reported adverse events for patients who received telehealth care (with no comparison).^{93, 105-107} These studies reported adverse events rates after receipt of telehealth care of 13 percent to 86 percent. Studies varied in their patient and provider characteristics and clinical conditions, which resulted in a wide range of adverse event rates (see Appendix D, Evidence Tables D.6.7 and D.6.8).

Clinical Area	Number of Studies and N	Direction of Findings: Favors In-Person	Direction of Findings: No Difference/ Unclear	Direction of Findings: Favors Telehealth	Strength of Evidence Domains*	Conclusion
General medical care, Adults	1 study (N=492) Cohort 1 study ¹⁰⁸ (N=492)	Cohort 1 study ¹⁰⁸ (N=492)	Cohort 1 study ¹⁰⁸ (N=492)	Cohort 1 study ¹⁰⁸ (N=492)	High Direct Precise Unknown consistency Undetected	For adult patients receiving general medical care, patients who receive an initial in-patient visit may have higher rates of adverse events compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Low).
General medical care, Children	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
General medical care, All ages	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Care for specific conditions, COVID-19	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Care for specific conditions, Pregnancy/pren atal/gynecologic al care	3 studies (N=65,036) Cohort 3 studies ^{60, 78, 91} (N=65,036)	Cohort 1 study ⁶⁰ (N=287)	NA	Cohort 2 studies ^{78,91} (N=64,749)	High Direct Precise Consistent Undetected	For patients who receive specialized pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological care, those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have slightly lower adverse events rates compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Low).
Care for specific conditions, Other conditions	1 study (N=23,268) Cohort 1 study ¹⁰⁹ (N=23,268)	Cohort 1 study ¹⁰⁹ (N=23,268)	NA	No studies	High Direct Precise Unknown consistency Undetected	For patients who receive care for specific conditions (excluding COVID-19 and pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological care), those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have a slightly lower adverse events rate compared with those who receive in- person care (SOE: Low).
Surgical care	4 studies (N=65,036) RCT 1 study ¹¹⁰ (N=95) Cohort 3 studies ^{66, 86, 89} (N=65,036)	NA	RCT 1 study ¹¹⁰ (N=95)	RCT 1 study ¹¹⁰ (N=95) Cohort 3 studies ^{66, 86, 89} (N=65,036	High Direct Precise Consistent Undetected	For patients receiving surgical care, those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have similar rates of adverse events compared with those who receive in- person care (SOE: Low).

Table 9. Summary of findings: adverse events for patients receiving telehealth versus in-person care (N=10 studies)

General behavioral/Ment al health	1 study (N=74) Cohort 1 study ^{111†} (N=74)	NA	Cohort 1 study ¹¹¹ (N=74)	NA	High Direct Imprecise Unknown consistency Undetected	For patients receiving care for general behavioral and mental health conditions, those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have similar rates of adverse events compared with those who receive in- person care (SOE: Low).
Physical rehabilitation/ Functional impairment	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

NA = not applicable/no studies; RCT = randomized controlled trial; SOE = strength of evidence. *The strength of evidence domains (as listed in descending order): study limitations, directness, precision, consistency, reporting bias. †The original study is a randomized clinical trial, however the participants were not randomized for the comparison arms (in-person versus virtual care) reported in Fortier et al. 2022.¹¹¹

Author, year	Outcome	Population	Followup	Total N	Reference	Comparator			OR (95% CI)
Pregnancy/Pr	renatal/OBGYN								
Duryea, 2021	Need for transfusion	Need for transfusion	183 days	12607	In-person	Telehealth		+	1.20 (1.00, 1.44)
Aiken, 2021	Hemorrhage	Pregnancy	85 days	52142	In-person	Telehealth	-	•	0.65 (0.23, 1.78)
Kerestes, 2021	Blood Transfusion	Family Planning	246 days	218	In-person	Telemedicine		•	1.48 (0.06, 36.53
Kerestes, 2021	Blood Transfusion	Family Planning	246 days	163	In-person	+ med pick up Telemedicine + Mailed Medicine			Zero events
Behavioral/Men	tal health								
Fortier, 2022	Adverse events	U.S. Veterans mental health treatment	24 weeks	74	In-person	Telehealth			Zero events
Surgical									
Boles, 2022	Postoperative complication	Thyroid/parathyroid	NR	89	In-person	Telehealth	-	- +	0.95 (0.18, 5.09)
Irarrazaval, 2021	Postoperative morbidity	Abdominal surgery	NR	219	In-person	Telehealth	-	•	0.69 (0.24, 2.02)
Irarraza val, 2021	Minor complications	Abdominal surgery	NR	219	In-person	Telehealth			0.82 (0.29, 2.28)
Irarraza val, 2021	Major complications	Abdominal surgery	NR	219	In-person	Telehealth		•—	0.35 (0.01, 8.74)
Irarraza val, 2021	Perioperative infection	Abdominal surgery	NR	219	In-person	Telehealth		-	1.65 (0.57, 4.82)
Helmes, 2022	Taste of blood	Dentoalveola surgery	NR	95	In-person	Telehealth	<•	<u> </u>	0.19 (0.01, 4.79)
Helmes, 2022	Swelling of surgical area	Dentoal veolar surgery	NR	95	In-person	Telehealth		•	0.57 (0.08, 4.23)
Uppal, 2022	Anastomic leak	Postoperative visit	90 days	535	In-person	Telehealth		•	0.55 (0.07, 4.47)
Uppal, 2022	Acute kidney injury	Postoperative visit	90 days	535	In-person	Telehealth		•	0.63 (0.08, 5.21)
Uppal, 2022	Venous thrombosis	Postoperative visit	90 days	535	In-person	Telehealth		•——	0.34 (0.02, 6.03)
Uppal, 2022	Pancreatic leak	Postoperative visit	90 days	535	In-person	Telehealth		•—	0.40 (0.02, 7.28)
Uppal, 2022	Wound infection	Postoperative visit	90 days	535	In-person	Telehealth		-+•	1.80 (0.34, 9.42)
Uppal, 2022	Other infection	Postoperative visit	90 days	535	In-person	Telehealth			2.26 (0.41, 12.49
Uppal, 2022	Cardiopulmonary	Postoperative visit	90 days	535	In-person	Telehealth		•	0.63 (0.03, 12.30
Uppal, 2022	Bleeding	Postoperative visit	90 days	535	In-person	Telehealth		•	0.63 (0.03, 12.30
Uppal, 2022	Bowel obstruction	Postoperative visit	90 days	535	In-person	Telehealth	_	•	1.49 (0.15, 14.49
Uppal, 2022	Stroke	Postoperative visit	90 days	535	In-person	Telehealth		•	1.48 (0.06, 36.53
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Figure 10. Forest plot presenting adverse events for patients who had an initial telehealth visit versus an initial in-person visit*

Odds Ratio and 95% Confidence Intervals

CI = confidence interval; N = sample size; NR = not reported; OBGYN = obstetrics and gynecology; OR = odds ratio. *Included studies reported categorical data from which an odds ratio was able to be calculated.

3.3.8.1. General Medical Care, Adults

One cohort study with moderate risk of bias assessed adverse events among adult and elderly patients (mean age of 62.52 years) who had an in-person (N=341) or telehealth pharmacy visit (N=151).¹⁰⁸ This study identified higher average medication related problems per visit among patients who had an initial in-person visit (mean: 1.65; SD 1.56 in the in-person group versus 1.06; SD 1.21 among patients in the telehealth group, p=<0.01). For adult patients receiving general medical conditions, patients who receive an initial in-patient visit may have higher rates of adverse events compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Low) (Table 9).

3.3.8.2. Care for Specific Conditions, Pregnancy/Prenatal/Gynecological Care

Among patients who received specialized pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological care, three observational studies reported adverse events rates after an in-person or telehealth visit. One cohort study with a moderate risk of bias among patients in a family planning clinic (mean age of 28 years) assessed adverse event rates among those who received an in-person or telehealth medical abortion service in the 249-251 days after the medical abortion. This study enrolled 94 patients who had in-person visits, 124 patients who had telehealth visits and picked up their medication from the clinic, and 69 patients who had telehealth visits and received their medication in the mail.⁶⁰ The study identified no adverse events among those who had an initial in-person visit and those who had a telehealth visit and received their medication in the mail. Patients who received a telehealth visit and picked up their medication from the clinic (2 patients [1.6 percent] required blood transfusion).

The second study was a cohort study, with a serious risk of bias owing to possible issues with confounders, that assessed adverse events among pregnant individuals (mean age of 28 years) who received in-person or telehealth prenatal care. This study enrolled 6,559 patients who had in-person visits and 6,084 patients who had telehealth visits.⁷⁸ The study identified slightly lower adverse events rates among those who had an initial telehealth visit compared with those who had an initial in-person visit (26 patients [0.4 percent] who needed hysterectomies in the inperson group versus 13 patients [0.2 percent] who needed hysterectomies in telehealth group, and 279 patients [0.43 percent] who needed blood transfusion in the in-person group versus 216 patients [0.36 percent] in the telehealth group, p-0.07).

The third study was a cross-sectional study, with a moderate risk of bias, which assessed successful medical abortion rates among patients who received an in-person or telehealth medical abortion visit (mean age of 28 years).⁹¹ This study enrolled 22,158 patients who had inperson visits and 29,984 patients who had telehealth visits and reported slightly higher adverse event rates for patients in the in-person group compared with those in the telehealth group (8 hemorrhagic events that required transfusion [0.04 percent] among those in the in-person group in 59 days after the initial visit versus 7 [0.02 percent] among those in telehealth group in 85 days after the initial visit, p=0.56), but the difference was neither significantly nor clinically meaningful. The shorter followup period for the in-person group may have resulted in the study missing some adverse events in this group.

Even though the first cohort study⁶⁰ showed slightly higher adverse event rates in one of the telehealth groups (the group who received a telehealth visit and picked up their medication from the clinic), we found the results to be consistent overall, as the other telehealth group in this study (those who had a telehealth visit who received their medication in the mail) had similar

adverse events rates compared with the in-person group; and, the other studies with much larger patient populations found lower adverse events rates for those in the telehealth group. For patients who receive specialized pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological care, those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have slightly lower adverse events rates compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Low) (Table 9).

3.3.8.3. Care for Specific Conditions, Other Conditions

Among patients who received care for specific conditions (excluding COVID-19 and pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological care), one cohort study, with serious risk of bias owing to concerns about inadequate adjustment for confounders and selection of results, reported adverse events for patients who received in-person training about an insulin pump in a diabetic center versus virtual training via telehealth visit (the type of adverse event not reported).¹⁰⁹ This study followed 14,284 patients in the in-person group and 8,984 patients in the telehealth group. Patients in the telehealth group had slightly fewer adverse events compared with those in the inperson group (mean number of adverse events: 0.04; SD 0.24 for patients in the in-person group and 0.03; SD 0.2 for those in the telehealth group, p=0.003), but the difference was not clinically meaningful. For patients who receive care for specific conditions (excluding COVID-19 and pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological care), those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have a slightly lower adverse events rate compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Low) (Table 9).

3.3.8.4. Surgical Care

Among patients who received surgical care, one RCT and three observational studies reported adverse events. One RCT with some concerns for risk of bias, owing to concerns with baseline differences between comparison arms, was conducted among adult patients who underwent dental surgery (mean age of 51.6 years) and had an in-person (N=35) versus telehealth (N=60) visit for post-operation followup.¹¹⁰ The study reported that patients in the telehealth group experienced fewer adverse events compared with those in the in-person group [3.3 percent taste of blood and 6.7 percent swelling of surgical area among those in the in-person group versus 0 percent taste of blood and 3.3 percent swelling of surgical among those in telehealth group, p=0.317 and 0.557, respectively). Other adverse events such as fever, chills with sweat, and dysphagia or difficulty breathing were not detected in either group.

One cohort study, with serious risk of bias owing to concerns with confounders, was conducted among adult and elderly patients who underwent thyroid/parathyroid surgery (mean age of 47.1 years) and had an in-person or telehealth visit for post-operation followup.⁸⁹ The study reported that patients in the telehealth group (N=23) experienced fewer postoperative complications compared with those in the in-person group (N=66) (6 patients [9.1 percent] among those in the in-person group versus 2 patients [7.1 percent] among those in telehealth group, p=1).

A second cohort study, with serious risk of bias owing to concerns with confounders, was conducted among patients who underwent abdominal surgery (median age of 49 years) and had an in-person (N=113) or telehealth (N=106) visit for post-operation followup.⁶⁶ The study reported lower rates of adverse events among those who had an initial telehealth visit than among those with an in-person visit (9 patients [7.9 percent] with postoperative morbidity, 9 patients [7.9 percent] with minor complications, and 1 patient [0.9 percent] with major complications among those in the in-person group versus 6 patients [5.7 percent] with

postoperative morbidity, 7 patients [6 percent] with minor complications, and 0 patients [0 percent] with major complications among those in telehealth group, p=0.5, 0.79, =>0.99). But, patients in the telehealth group experienced higher rates of perioperative COVID-19 infection (6 patients [5.3 percent] among those in the in-person group versus 9 patients [8.5 percent] among those in the telehealth group, p=0.35), which may have contributed to patients receiving more telehealth care than in-person care.

A third cohort study with moderate risk of bias was conducted among adult and elderly patients who underwent surgery (mean age of 56.6 years) and had an in-person (N=437) or telehealth (N=98) visit for post-operation followup.⁸⁶ The study reported slightly lower rates of adverse events in the 90 days after the surgery among those who had an initial telehealth visit than among those who had an in-person visit (the following rates for in-person versus telehealth, respectively, apply: 8 patients [1.8 percent] versus 1 patient [1 percent] for anastomic leak, 7 patients [1.6 percent] versus 1 patient [1 percent] for acute kidney injury, 6 patients [1.4 percent] versus 0 patients [0 percent] for venous thrombosis, 5 patients [1.1 percent] versus 0 patients [0 percent] for pancreatic leak, 3 patients [0.7 percent] versus 0 patients [0 percent] for cardiopulmonary, 3 patients [0.7 percent] versus 0 patients [0 percent] for bleeding, and 1 patient [0.2 percent] versus 0 patients [0 percent] for stroke; none of the differences were statistically significant). Other adverse events were reported as slightly higher among those who had a telehealth visit (the following rates for in-person versus telehealth, respectively, apply: 3 patients [0.7 percent] for bowel obstruction versus 1 patient [1 percent], 5 patients [1.1 percent] versus 2 patients [2 percent] for wound infection, 4 patients [0.9 percent] versus 2 patients [2 percent] for other infection; none of the differences were statistically significant). The differences were not clinically meaningful.

Studies varied in their patient populations and clinical conditions and the difference between in-person and telehealth groups were small and clinically not meaningful. For patients receiving surgical care, those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have similar rates of adverse events compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Low) (Table 9).

3.3.8.5. Care for General Behavioral and Mental Health Conditions

One cohort study, with serious risk of bias owing to concerns on addressing confounders, assessed any adverse events, including nonfatal suicide-related behaviors, suicides, psychiatric hospitalizations, emergency room visits, and any other behaviors resulting in crisis intervention among U.S. Veterans 24 weeks after receiving mental health treatment (mean age of 41.8 years) through in-person (N=29) or telehealth (N=45) visits.¹¹¹ This study reported no adverse events among patients who had a telehealth visit or with an in-person visit. For patients receiving care for general behavioral and mental health conditions, those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have similar rates of adverse events compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Low) (Table 9).

3.3.9. Process Outcomes

3.3.9.1. Missed Visits

We identified seven observational studies that compared in-person care with telehealth care and evaluated missed visits (see Appendix D, Evidence Table D.7.1). The difference in missed visit rates between in-person and telehealth care reported in these studies was large. Our confidence in our conclusions across the clinical conditions is low owing to weak study designs, issues with risk of bias, and a limited number of studies (see Table 10 and Figure 11). We identified an additional study with no comparison group that reported a missed visit rate of 8.3 percent to 22.3 percent for patients who received telehealth care for different types of outpatient visits (e.g., clinical visits, ultrasounds, laboratory workups) among patients who received telehealth care (see Appendix D, Evidence Tables D.7.1 and D.7.2).¹¹²

3.3.9.2. Care for Specific Conditions, Pregnancy/Prenatal/Gynecological Care

Among patients who received specialized care for pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological care, one cohort study, with moderate risk of bias, assessed the postpartum visit attendance rates among patients who received in-person (N= 780) versus telehealth (N= 799) postpartum care (median age of 30.35 years).⁷⁹ The study reported higher postpartum attendance rates among those who had an initial in-person visit (565 [72.4 percent] among those in the in-person group versus 662 [82.9 percent] among those in the telehealth group, OR: 1.9; CI, 1.47 to 2.46, p=<0.001 for all postpartum visits). In addition, for patients diagnosed with a hypertensive disorder during pregnancy, the study reported a higher postpartum cardiology follow-up attendance rates among those who had an initial in-person visit (29 of 56 patients [51.8 percent] among those in the in-person group versus 36 of 59 [61 percent] among those in the telehealth group, OR: 1.8; CI, 0.79 to 4.11, p=0.32).

For patients who receive specialized pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological care, those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have higher attendance rates compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Low) (Table 10).

3.3.9.3. Care for Specific Conditions, Other Conditions

Among patients who received care for specific conditions (excluding COVID-19 and pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological care), four observational studies reported missed visits rates. The first study, a cohort study with serious risk of bias owing to concerns with confounders, assessed missed visits rates among rheumatology patients (mean age of 55 years).⁸² The study reported a lower missed visit rate among patients who had an initial telehealth visit (157 missed visits [10.9 percent] among 1,443 patients in the in-person group versus 104 [6.5 percent] among 1,597 patients in the telehealth group, OR: 0.57; 95% CI, 0.44 to 0.74, p<0.001). A smaller cohort study, with serious risk of bias owing to concerns with confounding, assessed missed visits rates among adult patients with thyroid cancer (mean age of 46 years) and compared rates from the pre-COVID-19 era (mainly in-person visits) with rates from the COVID-19 era (mainly telehealth visits).¹¹³ The study identified higher missed visit rates during the COVID-19 era compared with the pre-COVID-19 era (15 percent drop in outpatient visits during the COVID-19 era indicated higher missed visit rates for telehealth visits compared with in-person visits). The third study, a cohort study with serious risk of bias owing to concerns about addressing confounders, assessed cancellation rates for a colonoscopy appointment among adult and elderly patients with inflammatory bowel disease (mean age of 47.6 years) and compared rates from the pre-COVID-19 era (mainly in-person visits) with rates from the COVID-19 era (mainly telehealth visits).¹¹⁴ The study reported a slightly higher cancellation rate among patients who had an initial telehealth visit (13 of 814 patients [1.5 percent] in the in-person group versus 22 of 910 patients [2.5 percent] in the telehealth group, p=0.14). The last study, a cross-sectional study with

Clinical Area	Number of Studies and N	Direction of Findings: Favors In- Person	Direction of Findings: No Difference/Unclear	Direction of Findings: Favors Telehealth	Strength of Evidence Domains*	Conclusion
General medical care, Adults	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
General medical care, Children	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
General medical care, All ages	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Care for specific conditions, COVID-19	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Care for specific conditions, Pregnancy/pren atal/gynecologic al care	1 study (N=1,579) Cohort 1 study ⁷⁹ (N=1,579)	NA	NA	Cohort 1 study ⁷⁹ (N=1,579)	High Direct Precise Unknown consistency Undetected	For patients who receive specialized pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological care, those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have lower missed visit rates compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Low).
Care for specific conditions, Other conditions	4 studies (N=6,108) Cohort 3 studies ^{82, 113, 114} (N=5,734) Cross-sectional 1 study ¹¹⁵ (N=374)	Cohort 2 studies ^{113, 114} (N=2,694)	NA	Cohort 1 study ⁸² (N=3,040) Cross- sectional 1 study ¹¹⁵ (N=374)	High Direct Precise Inconsistent Suspected	For patients who receive care for specific conditions (excluding COVID-19 and pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological care care), those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have lower missed visit rates compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Low).
Surgical care	1 study (N=8,197) Cross-sectional 1 study ¹¹⁶ (N=8,197)	NA	NA	Cross- sectional 1 study ¹¹⁶ (N=8,197)	High Direct Precise Unknown consistency Undetected	For patients receiving surgical care, those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have lower missed visit rates compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Low).
General behavioral/Ment al health	1 study (N=12) Cohort 1 study ⁹⁹ (N=12)	Cohort 1 study ⁹⁹ (N=12)	NA	NA	High Direct Imprecise Unknown consistency Undetected	Insufficient

Table 10. Summary of findings: missed visits for patients receiving telehealth versus in-person care (N=7 studies)

Clinical Area	Number of Studies and N	Direction of Findings: Favors In- Person	Direction of Findings: No Difference/Unclear	Direction of Findings: Favors Telehealth	Strength of Evidence Domains*	Conclusion
Physical rehabilitation/ Functional impairment	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

NA = not applicable/no studies; SOE=strength of evidence. *The strength of evidence domains (as listed in descending order): study limitations, directness, precision, consistency, reporting bias.

Figure 11. Forest plot presenting missed events for patients who had an initial telehealth visit versus an in-person visit*

Author, year	Outcome	Population	Followup	Total N		OR (95% CI)
Pregnancy/Pre	enatal/OBGYN					
Arias, 2022†	Postpartum visit non-attendance rate	Postpartum visits	NR	1579		0.54 (0.43, 0.69)
Arias, 2022†	Cardiology follow-up visit non-attendance ra	Postpartum visits ate	NR	115		0.69 (0.33, 1.44)
Specific Cond	ition - Other					
Zhu, 2021	Non-attendance of appointment	Rheumatology patients	NR	3040		0.57 (0.44, 0.74)
Watson, 2021	Cancelled colonoscopies	Inflammatory bowel disease	NR	1724		1.53 (0.76, 3.05)
Surgical						
Ye, 2022	Missed visit	Orthopedic spine patients	NR	8197	•	0.31 (0.28, 0.34)
				.2	84 1	3.52
				← Favorste	lehealth	Favors in-person →

Odds Ratio and 95% Confidence Intervals

CI = confidence interval; N = sample size; NR = not reported; OBGYN = obstetrics and gynecology; OR = odds ratio.

*Included studies reported categorical data from which an odds ratio was able to be calculated.

[†]The odds ratio of the outcomes reported by Arias et al. 2022⁷⁹ was recalculated by the authors of this report to correspond the direction of effect sizes in the forest plot. Arias et al. 2022⁷⁹ reported higher attendance rates among participants who had an initial telehealth visit.

moderate risk of bias, assessed appointment adherence rates for adult patients with HIV (mean age of 44.2 years).¹¹⁵ The study reported higher appointment adherence rates, thus lower missed visit rates, among patients who had an initial telehealth visit (332 visits [70.8 percent] in the inperson group versus 246 visits [79.2 percent] in the telehealth group, p=<0.001). The difference in missed visit rates was much larger in the small study favoring in-person visits.¹¹³ Different patient populations and clinical conditions may have resulted in the difference among these studies. For patients who receive care for specific conditions (excluding COVID-19 and pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological care), those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have lower missed visit rates compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Low) (Table 10).

3.3.9.4. Surgical Care

One cross-sectional study, with moderate risk of bias, assessed missed visit rates among adult patients (mean age of 55.6 years) that had an in-person (N= 3,810) or telehealth (N= 4,387) visit for post-operation followup after an orthopedic spine surgery.¹¹⁶ The study reported lower missed visit rates among those who had an initial telehealth visit than among those with an in-person visit (1,953 patients [51.3 percent] in the in-person group versus 1,080 [24.7 percent] in the telehealth group, OR: 0.311; 95% CI, 0.284 to 0.342, p=<0.001), and this difference is clinically meaningful. For patients receiving surgical care, those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have lower missed visit rates compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Low) (Table 10).

3.3.9.5. Care for General Behavioral and Mental Health Conditions

A small cohort study (N=12) with serious risk of bias owing to concerns about addressing confounders, assessed general mental health among caregivers and children (mean age of 47.17 years for caregivers and 11.08 for children) and compared data from the pre-COVID-19 era (mainly in-person visits) with data from the COVID-19 era (mainly telehealth visits).⁹⁹ This study reported that the mean no-show rates for those in the telehealth group was higher than those in the in-person group 20 weeks after enrolling in the focused group parenting intervention (mean no-show rate of 0.23; SD 0.23 among patients in the in-person group versus mean no-show rate of 0.32; SD 0.25 among patients in the telehealth group, indicating higher missed visit rates for telehealth visits compared with in-person visits).

For patients receiving care for general behavioral and mental health conditions, evidence was insufficient to draw conclusions owing to the existence of only one study with a small sample size and concerns with risk of bias (Table 10).

3.3.9.6. Case Resolution/Duplication of Services

We defined case resolution as a patient's chief complaint being addressed in an initial visit and duplication of service as the need for a followup visit immediately after an initial visit (e.g., telehealth followed immediately by in-person visit). We identified 12 observational studies that compared in-person care with telehealth care and evaluated case resolution/duplication of services (see Appendix D, Evidence Table D.7.3). We are unable to make a general statement about relative performance of in-person or telehealth care, as the clinical conditions, patient/provider characteristics, and type of assessment performed during the visit varied across the small number of studies included in this evidence synthesis. All these factors impacted the case resolution during the initial visits and the need for duplication of services. Our confidence in

our conclusions across the clinical conditions is low owing to weak study designs, issues with risk of bias, and a limited number of studies (see Table 11 and Figure 12).

We identified an additional 12 studies with no comparison groups that reported case resolution/duplication of services for patients who received telehealth care (with no comparison). These studies reported the need for followup visits (duplication of services) from 3 percent to 69 percent of patients (see Appendix D, Evidence Tables D.7.3 and D.7.4).^{48, 50, 68, 71, 90, 117-123}

3.3.9.6.1. General Medical Care, All Ages

Among patients of all ages who received care for general medical conditions, two observational studies reported case resolution/duplication of services rates after an in-person or telehealth visit. One cross-sectional study, with serious risk of bias owing to concerns about potential confounders, among adults (median age of 26 years) reported the need for a followup visit with the health system for those who received an in-person, outpatient primary care visit versus those who received a telephone or video telehealth primary care visit.¹²⁴ This study identified higher rates of followup visits among those who had an initial telehealth visit than those with an in-person visit (e.g., mean number of followup telephone calls of 3.56, SD 2.46 in the in-person group versus 5.29, SD 2.6 in the telephone telehealth group and 4.39, SD 2.5 in the video telehealth group, p=0.002).

A cohort study with low risk of bias reported followup visits of any kind for patients with general medical care (all ages) with a diagnosis of acute or chronic ambulatory care sensitive conditions (i.e., conditions that would avoid healthcare utilization with proper ambulatory management of the disease). Among patients with acute ambulatory care sensitive conditions, the study analyzed claims data on 493,716 patients who had in-person visits and 113,857 patients who had telehealth visits.³ The study reported higher followup visit rates among those who had an initial telehealth visit than those who had an initial in-person visit (OR: 1.44; 95% CI, 1.42 to 1.46, with in-person visit as the reference). Among patients with chronic ambulatory care sensitive conditions, the study analyzed claims data on 410,743 patients with in-person visits and 94,481 patients with telehealth visits, reporting lower followup visit rates among those who had an initial telehealth visit than those who had an initial in-person visit (OR: 0.94; 95% CI: 0.92 to 0.95, with in-person visit as the reference). The study only identified followup visits that occurred within 14 days after the initial visit, which may have contributed to the modest difference between the two groups.

The two studies showed conflicting results. The difference in the type of clinical conditions that the studies assessed may have resulted in the conflicting results between the two studies. The study favoring telehealth care for a sub-population of patients (lower rates of followup visits for patients with chronic ambulatory care sensitive conditions)³ was larger and assessed followup visits separately for those with acute and chronic ambulatory care sensitive conditions, which may have resulted in more accurate parsing out of the difference in followup visit patterns. For patients of all ages who receive care for general medical conditions, those who receive an initial telehealth visit for an acute condition may have higher rates of followup visits compared with those who receive in-person care, and those who receive an initial telehealth visit for a chronic condition may have lower rates of followup visits compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Moderate) (Table 11).

Clinical Area	Number of Studies and N	Direction of Findings: Favors In- Person	Direction of Findings: No Difference/Unclear	Direction of Findings: Favors Telehealth	Strength of Evidence Domains*	Conclusion
General medical care, Adults	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
General medical care, Children	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
General medical care, All ages	2 studies (N=607,717) Cohort 1 study ³ (N=607,573) Cross-sectional 1 study ¹²⁴ (N=144)	Cohort 1 study ³ (N=607,573) Cross-sectional 1 study ¹²⁴ (N=144)	NA	Cohort 1 study ³ (N=505,224)	Medium Direct Precise Inconsistent Undetected	For patients of all ages who receive care for general medical conditions, those who receive an initial telehealth visit for an acute condition may have higher rates of followup visits compared with those who receive in- person care, and those who receive an initial telehealth visit for a chronic condition may have lower rates of followup visits compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Moderate).
Care for specific conditions, COVID-19	1 study (N=285) Cohort 1 study ⁸⁷ (N=285)	NA	NA	Cohort 1 study ⁸⁷ (N=285)	High Direct Imprecise Unknown consistency Undetected	(SOE: Insufficient).
Care for specific conditions, Pregnancy/pren atal/gynecologic al care	1 study (N=218) Cohort 1 study ⁶⁰ (N=218)	NA	NA	Cohort 1 study ⁶⁰ (N=218)	High Direct Imprecise Unknown consistency Undetected	(SOE: Insufficient).
Care for specific conditions, Other conditions	7 studies (N=8,735) Cohort 7 studies ^{54, 82, 100, 114, 125- ¹²⁷ (N=8,735)}	Cohort 3 studies ^{54, 82, 114} (N=5,948)	NA	Cohort 4 studies ^{100,} ¹²⁵⁻¹²⁷ (N=2,787)	High Direct Precise Inconsistent Suspected	For patients who receive care for specific conditions (excluding COVID-19 and pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological care), those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have higher rates of case resolution and lower rates of duplicated services compared with

 Table 11. Summary of findings: case resolution/duplication of services for patients receiving telehealth versus in-person care (N=12

 studies)

Clinical Area	Number of Studies and N	Direction of Findings: Favors In- Person	Direction of Findings: No Difference/Unclear	Direction of Findings: Favors Telehealth	Strength of Evidence Domains*	Conclusion
						those who receive in-person care (SOE: Low).
Surgical care	1 study (N=219) Cohort 1 study ⁶⁶ (N=219)	Cohort 1 study ⁶⁶ (N=219)	NA	NA	High Direct Imprecise Unknown consistency Undetected	For patients receiving surgical care, those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have lower rates of case resolution and higher rates of duplicated services compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Low).
General behavioral/Ment al health	No studies	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Physical rehabilitation/ Functional impairment	No studies	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

NA = not applicable/no studies; SOE = strength of evidence. *The strength of evidence domains (as listed in descending order): study limitations, directness, precision, consistency, reporting bias.

Author, year	Outcome	Population	Followup	Total N	Reference	Comparator		OR (95% CI)
COVID-19								
Carlberg, 2020	Return to healthcare	COVID-19	72 hours	285	In-person	Telehealth		0.73 (0.24, 2.23)
General medical	care -All Ages							
Hatef, 2022	Any followup encounter	Dementia (acute ambulatory care)	14 days	607573	In-person	Telehealth	•	1.44 (1.42, 1.46)
Hatef, 2022	Any followup encounter	Dementia (chronic ambulatory care)	14 days	505224	In-person	Telehealth	+	0.94 (0.92, 0.95)
Pregnancy/Pren	atal/OBGYN							
Kerestes, 2021	Abortion completion	Family Planning	244 days	218	In person	Telemedicine + med pick up	-+	0.91 (0.25, 3.32)
Kerestes, 2021	Abortion completion	Family Planning	244 days	163	In person	Telemedicine + Mailed Medicine	· •	0.38 (0.07, 2.14)
Specific Conditi	ion - Other							
Kolb, 2021	Routine Follow-up Recommended	Otolaryngology	42 days	100	In-person	Telehealth	-•-+	0.53 (0.21, 1.32)
Fredwall, 2021	Linked with counseling	Epilepsy	1 month	117	In-person	Telehealth		0.33 (0.11, 0.97)
Zhu, 2021	Eollow-up phone Call required	Rheumatology patients	NR	2779	In-person	Telehealth		1.44 (0.90, 2.29)
Rowe, 2021	Follow-up appointment	Cardiology	148 days	1445	In-person	Telehealth	+	1.50 (1.11, 2.02)
Li, 2021	Need in-person ophthalmologic review	Ophthalmology	NR	854	In-person	Telehealth	→	0.15 (0.11, 0.22)
Offiah, 2022	Return clinic	Cardiology patients	NR	1716	Traditional clinic	Virtual clinic	*	0.60 (0.48, 0.77)
Surgical								
Irarraza val, 2021	Required a second in-person visit	Dementia	30 days	219	In-person	Telehealth		0.79 (0.17, 3.63)
Irarraza val, 2021	Required a second telemedicine visit	Dementia	30 days	219	In-person	Telehealth		- 2.69 (1.06, 6.83)
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Figure 12. Forest plot presenting case resolution for patients who had an initial telehealth visit versus an in-person visit*

Odds Ratio and 95% Confidence Intervals

CI = confidence interval; N = sample size; NR = not reported; OBGYN = obstetrics and gynecology; OR = odds ratio. *Included studies reported categorical data from which an odds ratio was able to be calculated.

3.3.9.6.2. Care for Specific Conditions, COVID-19

One cohort study, with serious risk of bias owing to concern about the handling of confounders and missing data, assessed case resolution/duplication of services among patients with COVID-19 (mean age of 39 years) after an in-person or telehealth visit.⁸⁷ The study reported lower rates of followup visits (i.e., duplication of services) among those who had an initial telehealth visit (7 of 132 patients [5.3 percent] in the in-person group versus 6 of 153 patients [3.9 percent] in the telehealth group returned to the health system in the 72 hours following the initial assessment). The short followup period may have resulted in the detection of fewer followup events in both groups. Owing to the limited number of studies, small sample size, and concerns with risk of bias, there is insufficient evidence that patients who receive an initial telehealth visit may have different rates of case resolution and followup visits compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Insufficient) (Table 11).

3.3.9.6.3. Care for Specific Conditions, Pregnancy/Prenatal/Gynecological Care

One cohort study with a moderate risk of bias among patients in a family planning clinic (mean age of 28 years) assessed case resolution/duplication of services among those who received an in-person or telehealth medical abortion service. This study enrolled 94 patients who had inperson visits, 124 patients who had telehealth visits and picked up their medication from the clinic, and 69 patients who had telehealth visits and received their medication in the mail.⁶⁰ The study reported higher rates of case resolution (i.e., completed medical abortion with no need for surgery) among those in the telehealth group compared with those in the in-person group (88 of 94 patients [93.6 percent] who received an in-person visit versus 120 of 124 patients [96.8 percent] who received a telehealth visit and picked up their medication from the clinic and 67 of 69 patients [97.1 percent] who received a telehealth visit and received their medication in the mail). The small sample size across the three groups may have resulted in small differences in case resolutions among them. Owing to the limited number of studies, small sample size, and some concerns with risk of bias, there is insufficient evidence that those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have different rates of case resolution compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Insufficient) (Table 11).

3.3.9.6.4. Care for Specific Conditions, Other Conditions

Among patients who received care for specific conditions, excluding COVID-19 and pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological care, seven observational studies reported case resolution/duplication of services after an in-person or telehealth visit.

Three studies reported findings favoring in-person visits. One was a cohort with a serious risk of bias owing to concerns with confounders. This study assessed followup telephone visits among rheumatology patients (mean age of 55 years old).⁸² The study reported a lower rate of followup phone calls among patients who had an initial in-person visit compared with those who had a telehealth visit (29 of 1,286 patients [2.3 percent] in the in-person group versus 48 of 1,493 patients [3.2 percent] in the telehealth group, p=0.13). Another cohort study, with serious risk of bias owing to concerns about confounding and intervention classification, among adult patients (median age of 67 years) in a cardiology clinic, assessed the need for followup appointments after an in-person or telehealth visit.⁵⁴ This study identified a lower rate of followup appointments [16.5 percent] in the series of the series

the in-person group versus 79 of 327 patients [24.2 percent] in the telehealth group, p=0.015). The difference in followup visit rate was much larger in one study than in the other. Different patient populations and clinical conditions, as well as different followup periods, might have resulted in this wide range of followup visits between the two studies. A third cohort study, with serious risk of bias owing to concerns with adjusting for confounders, was conducted in Sweden. This study assessed unplanned telephone contact with the physician among adult and elderly patients with inflammatory bowel disease (mean age of 47.6 years) and compared data from the pre-COVID-19 era (mainly in-person visits) with data from the COVID-19 era (mainly telehealth visits).¹¹⁴ The study reported a slightly higher number of unplanned telephone contacts among all and elderly patients who had an initial telehealth visit (mean of 0.88; SD 1.89 contacts per patient among 814 patients in the in-person group versus mean of 0.9; SD 1.9 contacts per patient among 910 patients in the telehealth group, p=0.379).

Four studies reported findings in favor of telehealth visits. One was a cohort study, with serious risk of bias owing to concerns with adequate adjustment for confounders, among children with epilepsy (mean age not reported) enrolling 101 patients who had in-person visits and 16 patients who had telehealth visits.¹⁰⁰ The study reported a higher rate of case resolution among those who had an initial telehealth visit (75 percent of patients in the in-person group required a followup counseling visit in the 1 month after the initial visit versus 35 percent of patients in the telehealth group) and the difference was clinically meaningful. The much smaller sample size in the telehealth group compared with the sample size in the in-person group might have resulted in the identification of a smaller number of patients with followup visits in the telehealth group. The second study was a cohort study, with serious risk of bias owing to concerns with inadequate adjustment for confounders, among children in an otolaryngology clinic (mean age of 24 months) enrolling 50 patients who had in-person visits and 50 patients who had telehealth visits.¹²⁵ This study identified lower rates of recommended followups among those who had an initial telehealth visit compared with those who had an initial in-person visit (16 followup visits [32 percent] among those in the in-person group versus 10 followup visits [20 percent] among those in telehealth group, p=0.25). The third study, a cohort study with serious risk of bias owing to concerns with inadequate adjustment for confounders, was conducted in an eye hospital. This study assessed the need for an in-person ophthalmology assessment among patients who were triaged in-person or via telehealth for an ophthalmic issue (median age of 49 years).¹²⁶ The study identified a lower rate of followup visits among patients who had an initial telehealth visit (40 followup visits among 451 patients [88.7 percent] in the in-person group versus 220 among 403 patients [54.6 percent] in the telehealth group, p<0.001). The fourth study, a cohort study with serious risk of bias owing to concerns with adjusting for confounders and patient selection, was conducted among patients with cardiac diseases in Ireland. This study assessed the return to clinic among adult and elderly patients who received in-person care (N=1,220) or telehealth care (N=496) (mean age of 60 years).¹²⁷ The study reported a lower rate of return to clinic among patients who had an initial telehealth visit (980 patients [80.3 percent] in the in-person group versus 353 patients [71.2 percent] in the telehealth group, p=0.0003).

Studies varied in their patient populations and clinical conditions, which may have resulted in this wide range of followup visits among the studies. Although three studies showed higher case resolution in the in-person group, the four studies favoring telehealth presented more consistent results and clinically meaningful differences between the two groups (Table 11). For patients who receive care for specific conditions (excluding COVID-19 and

pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological care), those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have

higher rates of case resolution and a lower rate of duplicated services compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Low).

3.3.9.7. Surgical Care

One cohort study, with serious risk of bias owing to lack of information about adjusting for confounders, reported case resolution/duplication of services among patients who underwent abdominal surgery (median age of 49 years) and had an in-person (N= 113) or telehealth (N= 106) visit for post-operation followup.⁶⁶ The study reported higher rates of 30-day followup visits among those who had an initial telehealth visit than among those with an in-person visit (4 in-person followup visits [3.5 percent] and 7 telehealth followup visits [6.2 percent] among those in the in-person group versus 3 in-person followup visits [2.8 percent] and 16 telehealth followup visits [14.9 percent] among those in telehealth group). For patients receiving surgical care, those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have lower rates of case resolution and a higher rate of duplicated services compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Low) (Table 11).

3.3.9.8. Change in Therapy/Medication

We identified eight observational studies that compared in-person with telehealth care and reported changes in therapy/medication (see Appendix D, Evidence Table D.7.5). The difference between in-person and telehealth care reported in these studies was mainly small and not clinically meaningful. Across the eight studies, changes in therapy/medication happened more often for patients in the in-person group compared with those in the telehealth group. Our confidence in our conclusions across the clinical conditions is low owing to weak study designs, issues with risk of bias, and a limited number of studies (see Table 12 and Figure 13). Another two studies reported changes in therapy/medication for patients receiving telehealth (with no comparison). These studies reported the change in therapy/medication for 13 percent to 58 percent of patients (see Appendix D, Evidence Tables D.7.5 and D.7.6).^{90, 106}

3.3.9.8.1. General Medical Care, Adults

Among adult patients who received care for general medical conditions, two observational studies reported changes in therapy/medication after an in-person or telehealth visit. One cohort study, with low risk of bias conducted in Australia, assessed change in therapy/medication among adult and elderly patients who received professional general practitioner consultations for standard attendance, chronic disease management, and/or mental health service in an in-person (N=8,303,233) or telehealth visit (N=5,304,983).¹²⁸ This study reported higher rates of change in medication among patients who had an initial in-person visit, compared with patients who had a telehealth visit, presented as the number of consultations with at least one prescribed medication (3,264,748 patients [39.3 percent] in the in-person group versus 1,751,878 patients [33 percent] in the telehealth group, OR: 1.38; 95% CI, 1.379 to 1.381). Another cohort study with moderate risk of bias assessed change in therapy/medication among adult and elderly patients (mean age of 62.52 years) who had an in-person (N=341) or telehealth pharmacy visit (N=151).¹⁰⁸ This study reported higher average

Clinical Area	Number of Studies and N	Direction of Findings: Favors In- Person	Direction of Findings: No Difference/Unclear	Direction of Findings: Favors Telehealth	Strength of Evidence Domain*	Conclusion
General medical care, Adults	2 studies (N=13,608,708) Cohort 2 studies ^{108,128} (N=13,608,708)	Cohort 2 studies ^{108, 128} (N=13,608,708)	NA	NA	Medium Direct Precise Consistent Undetected	For adult patients who receive care for general medical conditions, patients who receive an initial in-person visit may have higher rates of change in therapy/medication compared with those who receive telehealth (SOE: Moderate).
General medical care, Children	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
General medical care, All ages	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Care for specific conditions, COVID-19	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Care for specific conditions, Pregnancy/pren atal/gynecologic al care	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Care for specific conditions, Other conditions	6 studies (N=6,899) Cohort 5 studies ^{81, 82, 101, 114, 127, 129} (N=6,899)	Cohort 4 studies ^{82, 101,} ^{127, 129} (N=5,045)	NA	Cohort 2 studies ^{81, 114} (N=1,854)	High Direct Precise Consistent Suspected	For patients who receive care for specific conditions (excluding COVID- 19 and pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological care), those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have lower rates of change in therapy/medication compared with those who receive in- person care (SOE: Low).
Surgical care	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
General behavioral/Ment al health	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Physical rehabilitation/	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

Table 12. Summary of findings: change in therapy/medication for patients receiving telehealth versus in-person care (N=8 studies)

Clinical Area	Number of Studies and N	Direction of Findings: Favors In- Person	Direction of Findings: No Difference/Unclear	Direction of Findings: Favors Telehealth	Strength of Evidence Domain*	Conclusion
Functional						
impairment						

NA = not applicable/no studies; SOE = strength of evidence. *The strength of evidence domains (as listed in descending order): study limitations, directness, precision, consistency, reporting bias.

Author, year	Outcome	Population	Followup	Total N		OR (95% CI)
General medical	l care - Adults					
Wabe, 2022	≥1 medication prescribed	General practice	NR	13608216	•	0.76 (0.76, 0.76)
Specific condition	on - Other					
Mair, 2021	Start new antirheumatic drugs	Rheumatology	NR	550		0.53 (0.28, 1.00)
Mair, 2021	Increased dose	Rheumatology	NR	550	← 	0.55 (0.24, 1.27)
Zhu, 2021	Changes in analgesia	Rheumatology	NR	2779		0.69 (0.51, 0.94)
Zhu, 2021	Change of therapy	Rheumatology	NR	2779		0.78 (0.65, 0.92)
Offiah, 2022	≥1 management change	Cardiology	NR	1716		0.40 (0.31, 0.51)
Offiah, 2022	Medication changes	Cardiology	NR	1716	-•-	0.41 (0.31, 0.53)
Lindhagen, 2022	Increased medication	Inflammatory bowel disease	NR	1759	-	1.05 (0.84, 1.32)
Lindhagen, 2022	Decreased medication	Inflammatory bowel disease	NR	1759	-+-	0.97 (0.66, 1.44)
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Figure 13. Forest plot presenting change in therapy outcomes for patients who had an initial telehealth visit versus an in-person visit*Author, yearOutcomePopulationFollowupTotal NOR (95% CI)

Odd's Ratio and 95% Confidence Intervals

CI = confidence interval; N = sample size; NR = not reported; OBGYN = obstetrics and gynecology; OR = odds ratio. *Included studies reported categorical data from which an odds ratio was able to be calculated.

additional or different medications per visit among patients who had an initial in-person visit than among those who had a telehealth visit (mean: 0.37; SD 0.7 in the in-person group versus 0.12; SD 0.4 among patients in the telehealth group, p=0.527 for needing additional medications and mean: 0.09; SD 0.31 in the in-person group versus 0.06; SD 0.23 among patients in the telehealth group, p=0.423 for needing different medications). The two studies were different in their patient populations and clinical conditions. For adult patients receiving general medical conditions, patients who receive an initial in-person visit may have higher rates of change in therapy/medication compared with those who receive telehealth care (SOE: Moderate) (Table 12).

3.3.9.8.2. Care for Specific Conditions, Other Conditions

Among patients who received care for specific conditions (excluding COVID-19 and pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological care), six observational studies reported changes in therapy/medication after an in-person or telehealth visit.

One cohort study with moderate risk of bias assessed changes in therapy/medication among rheumatology patients (mean age of 55 years).¹⁰¹ This study reported a higher rate of change in therapy/medication among patients who had an initial in-person visit (22 of 210 patients [10.5 percent]) compared with patients who had an initial telehealth visit (20 of 340 patients [5.9 percent]) for those patients who had a new disease-modifying antirheumatic drug started for them, with the following difference in proportion: -0.05 (95% CI, -0.1 to 0, p>0.05); the study also reported a higher rate of change in therapy/medication among patients who had an initial inperson visit (12 of 210 [5.7 percent] and patients who had an initial telehealth visit (11 of 340 [3.2 percent]) for those patients who had an increase in the dose of their disease-modifying antirheumatic drug, with the following difference in proportion: -0.02 (95% CI, -0.07 to 0.01, p>0.05).

Another cohort study, with a serious risk of bias owing to concerns regarding inadequate adjustment for confounders, assessed changes in therapy/medication among rheumatology patients (mean age of 55 years).⁸² The study reported a higher rate of change in therapy/medication among patients who had an initial in-person visit compared with those who had a telehealth visit (352 of 1,286 patients [27.4 percent] in the in-person group versus 338 of 1,493 patients [22.6 percent] in the telehealth group had a change in their immunosuppressive therapy, p=0.004, and 96 of 1,286 patients [7.5 percent] in the in-person group versus 79 of 1,493 patients [5.3 percent] in the telehealth group had a change in their analgesic medication, p=0.019).

The third study, a cohort study with serious risk of bias owing to inadequate reporting for adjustment of confounding factors, assessed change in therapy/medication among adult patients with irritable bowel syndrome (age range from 22 to 76 years; median age of 36 years).⁸¹ This study reported a higher rate of change in therapy/medication among patients who had an initial telehealth visit (19 of 50 patients [38 percent] in the in-person group versus 29 of 45 patients [64 percent] in the telehealth group had a biologic agent started for them, p=0.01; and, 8 of 50 patients [16 percent] in the in-person group versus 8 of 45 patients [18 percent] in the telehealth group had a dose escalation in their medication, p>0.99.)

The fourth study, a cohort study with serious risk of bias owing to concerns with adjusting for confounders and patient selection, was conducted in Ireland among patients with cardiac diseases. This study assessed changes in medication or management of disease among adult and elderly patients who had an initial in-person visit (N=1,220) or telehealth visit (N=496) (mean

age of 60 years old).¹²⁷ This study reported a higher rate of change among patients who had an initial in-person visit (470 patients [38.5 percent] in the in-person group versus 99 patients [19.9 percent] in the telehealth group had at least one change in the clinical management of their disease, p=<0.00001, and 390 patients [31.9 percent] in the in-person group versus 80 patients [16.1 percent] in the telehealth group had a medication change, p=<0.00001).

The fifth study, a cohort study with serious risk of bias owing to concerns about addressing confounders, was conducted among patients with inflammatory bowel disease and assessed changes in medication or management of disease among adult patients who had an initial inperson visit (N= 868) or telehealth visit (N= 891) (mean age of 47.6 years old).¹¹⁴ The study reported a higher rate of change in medication among patients who had an initial telehealth visit (21.3 percent in the in-person group versus 22.2 percent in the telehealth group had a medication increase, p=0.641; 6.1 percent in the in-person group versus 5.9 percent in the telehealth group had a medication decrease, p=0.914; and 76.1 percent in the in-person group versus 75.3 percent in the telehealth group had no change in medication, p=0.713). The difference between the two groups was small and clinically not meaningful.

The sixth study was a cohort study, with serious risk of bias owing to concerns about addressing confounders, conducted in Spain. This study assessed the mean number of prescribed medications among patients with multiple sclerosis (mean age not reported).¹²⁹ The study reported a higher number of prescribed medications among patients who had an initial in-person visit (mean of 30.0, SE 7 among patients in the in-person group versus mean of 23.2, SD 5.5 among patients in telehealth group, p=0.805). The difference was small and not clinically meaningful.

The six studies were different in their patient populations, clinical conditions, and the type of treatment/medication. One of the studies favoring telehealth was conducted in the later months of the pandemic (January 1 to May 31, 2021) when telehealth utilization was stabilized across healthcare systems.¹²⁹ Four of the studies showing a lower rate of change in therapy or medication in the telehealth group were larger studies, with one study assessed as a moderate risk of bias. For patients who receive care for specific conditions (excluding COVID-19 and pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological care), those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have lower rates of change in therapy/medication compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Low) (Table 12).

3.3.9.9. Therapy/Medication Adherence

We identified nine observational studies that compared in-person and telehealth care and reported therapy/medication adherence (see Appendix D, Evidence Tables D.7.7). The difference, if any, between in-person and telehealth care reported in these studies was mostly small. Our confidence in our conclusions across the clinical conditions is low owing to weak study designs, issues with risk of bias, and a limited number of studies (see Table 13 and Figure 14). There was another study reporting therapy/medication adherence (i.e., exercise adherence) for patients who received telehealth care (with no comparison). This study reported an exercise adherence rate of 67 percent to 92 percent for patients who received internet-based recommendations or telerehabilitation (see Appendix D, Evidence Tables D.7.7 and D.7.8).⁹³

3.3.9.9.1. General Medical Care, Adults

Among adult patients who received care for general medical conditions, two observational studies reported therapy/medication adherence after an in-person or telehealth visit.

Clinical Area	Number of Studies and N	Direction of Findings: Favors In-Person	Direction of Findings: No Difference/Unclea r	Direction of Findings: Favors Telehealth	Strength of Evidence Domains*	Conclusion
General medical care, Adults	2 studies (N=906) Cohort 2 studies ^{77, 108} (N=906)	NA	Cohort 1 study ¹⁰⁸ (N=492)	Cohort 1 study ⁷⁷ (N=414)	High Direct Precise Inconsistent Undetected	For patients of all ages who receive care for general medical conditions, those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have higher rates of therapy/medication adherence compared with those who receive in- person care (SOE: Low).
General medical care, Children	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
General medical care, All ages	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Care for specific conditions, COVID-19	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Care for specific conditions, Pregnancy/pren atal/gynecologic al care	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Care for specific conditions, Other conditions	4 studies (N=144,378) Cohort 3 studies ^{64, 130, 131} (N=144,202) Cross-sectional 1 study ¹³² (N=176)	Cohort 1 study ¹³¹ (N= 127,444)	Cohort 1 study ¹³⁰ (N=270)	Cohort 1 study ⁶⁴ (N=3,744 Cross- sectional 1 study ¹³² (N=176))	High Direct Precise Consistent Undetected	For patients who receive care for specific conditions (excluding COVID- 19 and pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological care), those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have lower rates of therapy/medication adherence compared with those who receive in- person care (SOE: Low).
Surgical care	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
General behavioral/Ment al health	3 studies (N=1,612) Cohort 3 studies ^{111, 133, 134} (N=1,612)	NA	NA	3 studies ^{111,} ^{133, 134} (N=1,612)	High Direct Precise Consistent Undetected	For patients receiving care for general behavioral and mental health conditions, those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have higher rates of therapy/medication adherence

Table 13. Summary of findings: therapy/medication adherence for patients receiving telehealth versus in-person care (N=9 studies)

Clinical Area	Number of Studies and N	Direction of Findings: Favors In-Person	Direction of Findings: No Difference/Unclea r	Direction of Findings: Favors Telehealth	Strength of Evidence Domains*	Conclusion
						compared with those who receive in- person care (SOE: Low).
Physical rehabilitation/ Functional impairment	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

NA = not applicable/no studies; SOE = strength of evidence. *The strength of evidence domains (as listed in descending order): study limitations, directness, precision, consistency, reporting bias.

Author, year	Outcome	nt adherence for patients Population	Followup	Total N	it versus an i	OR (95% CI)
General medical car	e - Adults					
Zimmerman, 2021	Completed treatment	General	NR	414	-	1.63 (1.08, 2.47)
Specific condition -	Other					
McCoy, 2022	Surgery performed	Pediatric otolaryngology	NR	172		1.20 (0.63, 2.30)
Baughman, 2021	Adherent to treatment	Type 2 diabetes	6 months	33851	•	0.71 (0.67, 0.75)
Baughman, 2021	Adherent to treatment	Diabetes (Total population)	6 months	63722	•	0.84 (0.80, 0.88)
Behavioral/Mental h	ealth					
Ripp, 2022	Completed followup visits	Behavioral pediatric	NR	1431	+	1.57 (1.23, 2.00)
Fortier, 2022	Treatment completed	U.S. Veterans	24 weeks	74	→	1.47 (0.47, 4.62)
Cunningham, 2022	Treatment retention	Opioid use disorder	90 days	107		1.89 (0.83, 4.31)
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				← Favors in-person	Favo)rs telehealth →

Figure 14. Forest plot presenting treatment adherence for patients who had an initial telehealth visit versus an in-person visit*

Odds Ratio and 95% Confidence Intervals

CI = confidence interval; N = sample size; NR = not reported; OBGYN = obstetrics and gynecology; OR = odds ratio. *Included studies reported categorical data from which an odds ratio was able to be calculated.

A cohort study, with serious risk of bias owing to lack of proper adjustment for confounders and handling of missing data, assessed therapy/medication adherence among younger, mostly White females in the United States (mean age of 38 years).⁷⁷ This study identified a higher rate of therapy/medication adherence among patients who had an initial telehealth visit (129 of 207 patients [62.3 percent] in the in-person group versus 151 of 207 patients [72.9 percent] in the telehealth group, p<0.05), and the difference was clinically meaningful.

Another cohort study with moderate risk of bias assessed therapy/medication adherence among adult and elderly patients (mean age of 62.52 years) who had an in-person (N=341) or telehealth pharmacy visit (N=151).¹⁰⁸ This study reported that the average therapy/medication adherence per visit among patients who had an initial in-person visit was the same as those who had a telehealth visit (mean: 0.01; SD 0.14 for non-adherence in the in-person group versus 0.01; SD 0.08 among patients in the telehealth group, p=1). Between the two studies, the study favoring a telehealth visit identified a large and clinically meaningful difference between the two groups. For adult patients receiving care for general medical conditions, patients who receive an initial telehealth visit may have higher rates of therapy/medication adherence compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Low) (Table 13).

3.3.9.9.2. Care for Specific Conditions, Other Conditions

Among patients who received care for specific conditions (excluding COVID-19 and pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological care), four studies assessed therapy/medication adherence after an in-person or telehealth visit. A cohort study, with moderate risk of bias, assessed therapy/medication adherence (i.e., continuous positive airway pressure [CPAP] compliance) among patients with sleep apnea (mean age not reported).¹³⁰ This study reported similar rates of CPAP compliance among 193 patients in the in-person group and 77 patients in the telehealth group (p=0.099).

A second cohort study, with moderate risk of bias, assessed therapy/medication adherence among adult and elderly patients with diabetes (mean age of 62 years) who had an initial inperson (N= 54,872) or telehealth (N= 8,850) visit.¹³¹ This study reported higher rates of medication adherence among those in the in-patient group (33,053 patients [60.2 percent] in the in-person group versus 4,960 patients [56 percent] patients in the telehealth group p=<0.001). The medication adherence rates were also slightly higher among patients with and without type 2 diabetes who had an initial in-person visit (19,775 patients [68.1 percent] in the in-person group versus 2,904 patients [60.2 percent] patients in the telehealth group, p=<0.001, among those with type 2 diabetes; and 13,278 patients [51.4 percent] in the in-person group versus 2,056 patients [51 percent] patients in the telehealth group, p=0.64, among those without type 2 diabetes). The outcomes were assessed 6 months after the initial visits.

The third cohort study, with low risk of bias, assessed the adherence to inhaled corticosteroids, which was defined as the proportion of days covered (a proportion between 0.0 and 1.0) among adult and elderly patients with asthma (mean age not reported).⁶⁴ The study reported slightly higher adherence among patients who had an initial telehealth visit (mean of 0.446, SE 0.008 among 1,792 patients in the in-person group versus mean of 0.476, SE 0.008 among 1,952 patients in the telehealth-only group, p comparing the two groups not reported). The difference was small and not clinically meaningful.

The fourth study was a cross-sectional study, with serious risk of bias owing to concerns with addressing confounders, that reported the number of physician recommended surgeries that were completed after a telehealth or in-person visit among pediatric otolaryngology patients (mean age

of 6.15 years).¹³² The study reported a slightly higher adherence to physician recommendation among patients who had an initial telehealth visit (41 patients [36.3 percent] in the in-person group vs 24 patients [40.7 percent] in the telehealth group, p-value not reported).

The four studies were different in their patient populations, clinical conditions, and the type of treatment/medication. They also used different definitions of medication adherence. The study favoring in-person visits had a much larger sample size and the difference between two groups in the whole population was slightly bigger than the other studies.¹³¹ For patients who receive care for specific conditions (excluding COVID-19 and pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological care), those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have lower rates of therapy/medication adherence compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Low) (Table 13).

3.3.9.10. Care for General Behavioral and Mental Health Conditions

Among patients receiving care for general behavioral and mental health conditions, three observational studies assessed therapy/medication adherence after an in-person or telehealth visit. One cohort study with moderate risk of bias assessed completed followup visits among children in a developmental behavioral pediatric practice (mean age of 9.3) through in-person (N=1,077) or telehealth (N=354) visits.¹³³ The study reported higher rates of completed visits among patients in the telehealth group (OR: 1.57; 95% CI: 1.23 to 2, p=<0.001).

Another cohort study, with serious risk of bias owing to concerns about confounding, assessed therapy/medication adherence among U.S. Veterans 24 weeks after receiving mental health treatment (mean age of 41.8 years) through in-person (N=29) or telehealth (N=45) visits.¹¹¹ The study reported higher rates of treatment completion among patients in the telehealth group (22 patients [76 percent] among patients in the in-person group versus 37 patients [82 percent] among patients in the telehealth group, p=0.506).

The last cohort study, with serious risk of bias owing to concerns with addressing confounders, assessed therapy/medication adherence among adult and elderly patients with opioid use disorder (mean age of 46.9 years).¹³⁴ The study reported higher rates of 90-day treatment retention among patients in the telehealth group (24 of 72 patients [33.3 percent] in the in-person group versus 17 of 35 patients [48.6 percent] in the telehealth group).

The three studies were different in their patient populations, clinical conditions, and the type of treatment/medication. They also used different definitions of therapy/medication adherence. All three studies identified clinically meaningful differences between in-person and telehealth groups. For patients receiving care for general behavioral and mental health conditions, those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have higher rates of therapy/medication adherence compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Low) (Table 13).

3.3.9.11. Up-to-Date Labs and Paraclinical Assessment

We identified seven observational studies that compared in-person and telehealth care and reported rates of up-to-date labs and paraclinical assessment, including imaging and pathology assessment (see Appendix D, Evidence Tables D.7.9). The difference between in-person and telehealth care reported in these studies was mostly large. Among the seven studies, up-to-date labs and paraclinical assessment were mostly at a higher rate among patients in the telehealth group compared with those in the in-person group. Our confidence in our conclusions across the clinical conditions is low owing to weak study designs, issues with risk of bias, and a limited number of studies (see Table 14 and Figure 15). There was another study that reported up-to-date labs (i.e., COVID-19 test) for patients receiving telehealth (with no comparison) and a COVID-

Table 14. Summary of findings: up-to-date labs and paraclinical assessment for patients receiving telehealth versus in-person care (N=7 studies)

		Direction of Fine	dings (Number of Studi	es)		
Clinical Area	Number of Studies and N	Direction of Findings: Favors In- Person	Direction of Findings: No Difference/Unclear	Direction of Findings: Favors Tele- health	Strength of Evidence*	Conclusion
General medical care, Adults	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
General medical care, Children	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
General medical care, All ages	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Care for specific conditions, COVID-19	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Care for specific conditions, Pregnancy/pren atal/gynecologic al care	1 study (N=104) Cohort 1 study ⁷⁹ (N=104)	Cohort 1 study ⁷⁹ (N=104)	NA	NA	High Direct Imprecise Unknown consistency Undetected	For patients receiving specialized pregnancy/prenatal/ gynecological care, those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have similar rates of up-to-date labs and paraclinical assessment compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Low).
Care for specific conditions, Other conditions	6 studies (N=5,661) Cohort 5 studies ^{63, 114, 129, 135, 136} (N=4,751) Cross-sectional 1 study ⁸⁵ (N=910)	Cohort 3 studies ^{63, 129,} ¹³⁶ (N=4,542)	Cross-sectional 1 study ⁸⁵ (N=910)	Cohort 1 study ¹³⁵ (N=209)	High Direct Precise Inconsistent Undetected	For patients receiving care for specific conditions (excluding COVID-19 and pregnancy/prenatal/ gynecological care), those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have lower rates of up-to-date labs and paraclinical assessment compared with those who receive in- person care (SOE: Low).
Surgical care	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
General behavioral/Ment al health	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Physical rehabilitation/ Functional impairment	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

*The strength of evidence domains (as listed in descending order): study limitations, directness, precision, consistency, reporting bias.

Figure 15. Forest plot presenting up-to-date laboratory and assessment outcome for patients who had an initial telehealth visit versus an in-person visit*

Author, year	Outcome	Population	Followup	Total N	Reference	Comparator	OR (95% CI)
Specific o	condition - Other						
Parise, 2021	Continuous glucose monitoring	Type-1 diabetes	NR	209	In-person	Telehealth	→) 72.47 (26.27, 199.89)
Liu, 2021	Pathology Test/Consultation Completed	Gastroenterology/Rheumatology	5 days	1074	In-person	Telehealth	 0.49 (0.36, 0.68)
Liu, 2021	Radiology Test/Consultation Completed	Gastroenterology/Rheumatology	5 days	640	In-person	Telehealth	 0.38 (0.26, 0.56)
Reddy, 2021	Laboratory testing	Cancer patients	1 week during transition	931	Pre-telehealth	Telehealth transition	0.99 (0.70, 1.41)
Reddy, 2021	Laboratory testing	Cancer patients	4 weeks after transition	1576	Pre-telehealth	Post-transition	• 0.28 (0.22, 0.36)
Reddy, 2021	Diagnostic imaging	Cancer patients	1 week during transition	931	Pre-telehealth	Telehealth transition	 0.65 (0.38, 1.12)
Reddy, 2021	Diagnostic imaging	Cancer patients	4 weeks	1576	Pre-telehealth	Post-transition	 0.30 (0.21, 0.44)
Reddy, 2021	Procedures	Cancer patients	after transition 1 week during	931	Pre-telehealth	Telehealth - transition	0.28 (0.04, 2.12)
Reddy, 2021	Procedures	Cancer patients	transition 4 weeks	1576	Pre-telehealth	Post-transition	• 0.29 (0.11, 0.79)
Watson, 2021	Proportion with surveillance colonoscopy	Inflammatory bowel disease	after transition NR	1724	Pre-telehealth	Telehealth	 0.55 (0.38, 0.80)
Pregnano	cy/prenatal/OBGYN						
Arias,	Completion of postpartum glucose tolerance test	Postpartum visits	NR	104	Pre-telehealth	Telehealth	0.99 (0.37, 2.68)
						.005	1 200
						- Favors in-person	Favors telehealth

Odds Ratio and 95% Confidence Intervals

CI = confidence interval; N = sample size; NR = not reported; OBGYN = obstetrics and gynecology; OR = odds ratio. *Included studies reported categorical data from which an odds ratio was able to be calculated.

19 test rate of 33 percent to 62 percent for patients triaged in a respiratory clinic (see Appendix D, Evidence Tables D.7.9 and D.7.10).⁵¹

3.3.9.11.1. Care for Specific Conditions, Pregnancy/Prenatal/Gynecological Care

Among patients who received specialized pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological care, one cohort study, with moderate risk of bias, assessed completion of postpartum glucose tolerance test among patients with diabetes who received in-person (N= 45) or telehealth (N= 59) postpartum care (median age of 30.35 years).⁷⁹ The study reported slightly lower rates of completed glucose tolerance test among patients who had an initial telehealth visit compared with those who had an in-person visit (12 patients [26.7 percent] among those in the in-person group versus 15 patients [25.4 percent] among those in the telehealth group, OR: 0.99; 95% CI: 0.37 to 2.68, p=0.89), but the difference was not clinically meaningful. For patients receiving specialized pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological care, those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have similar rates of up-to-date labs and paraclinical assessment compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Low) (Table 14).

3.3.9.11.2. Care for Specific Conditions, Other Conditions

Among patients who received care for specific conditions (excluding COVID-19 and pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological care), six observational studies reported rates of up-to-date labs and paraclinical assessment after an in-person or telehealth visit.

One cohort study, with serious risk of bias owing to concerns about handling confounders and missing data, included patients in a diabetes care center (mean age of 37 years).¹³⁵ Patients in the telehealth group had a higher rate of continuous glucose monitoring compared with those in the in-person group (7 of 43 patients [16 percent] in the in-person group versus 155 of 166 patients [93.4 percent] in the telehealth group, p<0.001).

A second study was a cohort study, with serious risk of bias owing to concerns about handling confounders and missing data, among patients in a gastroenterology/rheumatology clinic (mean age of 55 years).¹³⁶ Patients in the in-person group had a higher rate of completion of pathology consults and radiology assessments ordered for them compared with those in the telehealth group (426 of 492 patients [86.6 percent] in the in-person group versus 443 of 582 patients [76.1 percent] in the telehealth group completed their pathology consult, p<0.001; and 247 of 295 patients [83.7 percent] in the in-person group versus 229 of 345 patients [66.4 percent] in the telehealth group completed the radiology assessment, p<0.001), and the difference between the two groups was clinically meaningful.

The third cohort study, with serious risk of bias owing to issues with addressing confounders, assessed up-to-date labs and paraclinical assessment among adult and elderly patients with cancer (median age of 60 years) compared the care prior to (N= 763) and during transition to telehealth (mainly in-person visits) (N=168) with the post-transition period (mainly telehealth visits) (N= 813).⁶³ The study reported a lower rate of up-to-date labs and paraclinical assessment among patients who had an initial visit in 1 week during the transition and in 4 weeks after the transition compared with those who had an initial visit in 4 weeks prior to the transition (265 patients [34.7 percent] in the pre-transition group versus 58 patients [34.5 percent] in the during transition group and 105 patients [12.9 percent] in the post-transition group, p=<0.0001, for up-to-date laboratory testing; 112 patients [14.7 percent] in the pre-transition group versus 17 patients [10.1 percent] in the during-transition group and 40 patients [4.9 percent] in the post-

transition group, p=<0.0001, for up-to-date diagnostic imaging; and 16 patients [2.1 percent] in the pre-transition group versus 1 patient [0.6 percent] in the during-transition group and 5 patients [0.6 percent] in the post-transition group, p=0.0223, for up-to-date procedures such biopsy, paracentesis, acupuncture, endoscopy, and catheter exchanges).

The fourth cohort study, with serious risk of bias owing to concerns with addressing confounders, was conducted in Spain. This study assessed the completion of magnetic resonance (MR) scan among patients with multiple sclerosis (mean age not reported).¹²⁹ The study reported higher monthly number of MR scans performed among patients who had an initial in-person visit versus patients who had telehealth care (mean of 196, SD 17.5 among patients in the in-person group versus mean of 183.5, SD 68.9 among patients in telehealth group, p=0.538).

The fifth study, a cross-sectional study with serious risk of bias owing to concerns with patient selection, assessed the number of lab and imaging orders placed in the system for adult patients with chest pain (median age of 44 years) in primary care clinics during the COVID-19 era.⁸⁵ The study identified similar rates of placed orders between the two groups (median of 1; interquartile rate (IQR): 0 to 1 for imaging in the in-person group versus median of 1; IQR: 1 to 1 in the telehealth group, p=0.006; and median of 6; IQR: 4 to 8 orders for labs in the in-person group versus median of 6; IQR: 5 to 8 in the telehealth group, p=0.02). But it did not report the completion rates of the placed orders between the two groups.

The sixth study was a cohort study with serious risk of bias owing to concerns with confounders that assessed the proportion of inflammatory bowel disease patients with surveillance or activity control colonoscopies (mean age of 47.6 years).¹¹⁴ The study reported a higher proportion of surveillance colonoscopies performed among patients who had an initial inperson visit (76 of 814 patients [15 percent] in the in-person group versus 49 of 910 patients [9.4] in the telehealth group, p=0.007).

The six studies were different in their patient populations, clinical conditions, and the type of lab/paraclinical assessment. For patients receiving care for specific conditions (excluding COVID-19 and pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological care), those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have lower rates of up-to-date labs and paraclinical assessment compared with those who receive in-person care (SOE: Low) (Table 14).

3.3.10. Results for Key Question 2a

Key Question 2a. Do the benefits and harms of telehealth during the COVID-19 era vary by type of telehealth intervention?

One study directly compared types of telehealth for ED visits and mortality in cardiology patients.⁵⁴ This study compared patients receiving either a telephone-only or a video intervention. The study reported higher rates of ED visits in the telephone-only group compared with the video intervention group (9.9 percent versus 5.5 percent, respectively, p=0.165). Similar results were reported for mortality, with higher rates in the telephone group compared with the video intervention group (all-cause mortality: 0.35 percent versus 0.30 percent, respectively, p=0.759; cardiac mortality: 1.1 percent versus 0.6 percent, respectively, p=0.806).⁵⁴ Although both outcomes were not statistically significant, the difference in ED visits may be meaningful, showing lower rates in patients who received a video intervention and suggesting telehealth care via video visits as a more appropriate mode of care delivery for complex conditions such as cardiovascular diseases. Owing to the low number of events reported for mortality, we cannot

determine if there is a meaningful difference between telephone-only and video interventions (For further details, see Appendix D, Evidence Table D.5.2).

In studies that compared in-person with telehealth visits, most studies did not directly address the association of benefits and harms outcomes of telehealth by the type of telehealth intervention or conduct a subgroup analysis by telehealth type. We only saw an inconsistency of results, which may be associated with the different types of telehealth assessed, in the eight studies that reported hospitalization rates in patients who needed care for specific conditions (excluding COVID-19 and pregnancy, prenatal, and gynecological care patients).^{62, 64, 65, 80-83, 85} Three studies included both a telephone and a video component in their protocol,^{64, 80, 85} with results favoring the in-person arm, whereas four studies that used only telephone calls reported results favoring the telehealth care^{62, 81, 83} or showed no difference with in-person visits.⁶⁵ The eighth study did not specify the type of telehealth used but also showed lower hospitalization rates among those who had telehealth care compared with those who had in-person care (for further details, see Appendix D, Evidence Table D.5.3).⁸²

We identified no studies that provided information about the association of telehealth type for most of the outcomes of interest and there are inconsistent results in the studies that are available. We cannot determine if benefits and harms outcomes vary by type of telehealth.

3.3.11. Results for Key Question 2b

Key Question 2b. Do the benefits and harms of telehealth during the COVID-19 era vary by patient characteristics?

Four studies that reported on ED, hospitalization rates, readmission, adverse events, and missed visits provided subgroup analysis on patient characteristics.^{52, 56, 59, 67, 76, 88, 108, 115} Three studies were conducted in patients undergoing care for general medical conditions,^{56, 76, 108} three studies were conducted in patients being treated for COVID-19,^{52, 59, 67} one study was conducted among pregnant patients,⁸⁸ and one study was conducted in a specific HIV population.¹¹⁵ Seven of the eight studies were cohort observational studies, and one was a cross-sectional study.¹¹⁵

3.3.11.1. Patient Characteristics: Age

Seven studies provided some information about differences in benefits or harms from telehealth by age of the patient.^{52, 56, 59, 67, 76, 108, 115} Six of the studies were retrospective cohort studies and one was a cross-sectional study.¹¹⁵ Outcomes reported were ED visits, hospitalization, adverse events, and missed visits.

Two cohort studies examined the number of ED visits for patients who received telehealth versus in-person care.^{56, 59} One cohort study looking at patients receiving care for general medical conditions found no significant association between age and ED visits when the initial visit was telehealth (OR: 1.00; 95% CI, 0.99 to 1.02).⁵⁶ The other study looked at rate of ED visits for COVID-19 patients, showing a statistically significant lower number of ED visits in patients below the age of 30 (p=0.04).⁵⁹ This is in contrast to the other age groups the study investigated ranging from 31 years to 80 years and older, which showed no statistical difference between in-person and telehealth visits.⁵⁹

Five studies reported on age subgroups and hospitalization events. Two studies assessed hospitalization events for patients receiving care for general medical conditions. One cohort study found a significant association between increasing age of the patient who received telehealth care and hospitalizations (OR: 1.04; 95% CI, 1.01 to 1.06).⁵⁶ The other cohort care

study investigated the impact of age on hospitalizations, but only among older patients (ages 65 to 84 years and 85 years and older).⁷⁶ Although this study did not find a statistically significant difference when it compared patients who were 75 to 84 years of age (OR: 1.02; 95% CI, 0.79 to 1.30) or 85 years of age and older (OR: 1.26; 95% CI, 0.91 to 1.73) with those between 65 to 74 years of age, there was a noticeable increase in hospitalization rates for older patients compared with the reference group. This study only analyzed the impact of age in the telehealth group, and the analysis was not repeated for in-person care.

Of the three cohort studies investigating hospitalization rates for COVID-19 patients, one of the studies found a significant increase in hospitalization rates in the age group older than 60 years in comparison to patients 30 to 39 years of age (HR: 4.89; 95% CI, 1.42 to 16.79).⁶⁷ Comparing other age groups to patients who were 30 to 39 years of age, the study did not find a statistically significant difference. Another cohort study showed a statistically significant difference, with lower hospitalization in the telehealth group, for patients with COVID-19 who were ages 60 to 69 years (p=0.032).⁵⁹ Other age groups in the analysis, ranging from below 30 years of age to above 80 years of age, did not show any significant difference between in-person and telehealth visits. The third study of COVID-19 patients found a non-statistically significant difference between age groups (OR: 1.09; 95% CI, 0.77 to 1.54).⁵²

Two studies investigated age subgroups: one cohort study for adverse events and one crosssectional study for missed visits. For adverse events, the cohort study that compared in-person versus telehealth visits for care addressing general medical conditions found a significantly lower average of medication-related problems per visit in the telehealth group compared with in-person care for patients younger than 65 years of age ($p \le 0.01$) but not for patients older than 65 years of age (p=0.24).¹⁰⁸ For the outcome of missed visits, the cross-sectional study of HIV patients showed appointment adherence was significantly higher in the telehealth group compared with the in-person group for patients 25 to 34 years of age (p=0.046), patients 45 to 54 years of age (p=0.01), and for patients 65 years of age and older (p=0.027).¹¹⁵

The results from these studies suggest that age may have an effect on health outcomes among patients utilizing telehealth. Telehealth reduced ED visits and adverse events, and increased appointment adherence, but only for certain age groups and there was no direct comparison between age groups. For direct comparison between age groups, in hospitalization, older patients with COVID-19 receiving telehealth care may have higher rates of hospitalization (for further outcome details, see Appendix D, Evidence Tables D.5.1 and D.5.3).

3.3.11.2. Patient Characteristics: Gender

Seven studies provided gender subgroup analyses.^{52, 56, 59, 67, 76, 108, 115} Six of the studies were retrospective cohort studies and one was a cross-sectional study.¹¹⁵ Outcomes reported were ED visits, hospitalization, adverse events, and missed visits.

Of the two studies reporting on ED visits, one cohort study that assessed in-person versus telehealth visits for care addressing general medical conditions found no significant association between gender and ED visits (OR: 0.61; 95% CI, 0.33 to 1.13) when the initial visit was telehealth.⁵⁶ The other cohort study that assessed in-person versus telehealth visits for COVID-19 patients found no significant association between in-person versus telehealth visits and ED visits for either males (OR: 0.29; 95% CI, 0.08 to 1.1) or females (OR: 0.75; 95% CI, 0.31 to 1.82).⁵⁹

Five studies reported on gender and hospitalization events. Of the two studies that assessed in-person versus telehealth visits for care addressing general medical conditions, one cohort

study found no significant association with gender (OR: 0.61; 95% CI, 0.33 to 1.13) when the initial visit was telehealth.⁵⁶ The other study also found no statistically significant difference in hospitalization rates for patients based on their gender (OR: 0.96; 95% CI, 0.76 to 1.21).⁷⁶ Similarly, three studies that investigated patients with COVID-19 showed no statistically different rate of hospitalization based on gender: one cohort study compared in-person with telehealth visits (males: OR 0.23; 95% CI, 0.03 to 2.00; females: OR 1.01; 95% CI, 0.28 to 3.64),⁵⁹ and two cohort studies compared patients who all received an intervention with a telehealth component (HR: 1.76; 95% CI, 0.91 to 3.43⁶⁷ and OR: 0.7; 95% CI, 0.22 to 2.25⁵²).

One study analyzed gender subgroups for adverse events and missed visits. For adverse events, a cohort study looking at in-person or telehealth visits for care addressing general medical conditions found a significantly lower average of medication-related problems per visit in the telehealth group compared with the in-person group for males ($p\leq0.01$) and for females (p=0.01).¹⁰⁸ For the outcome of missed visits, one cross-sectional study of HIV patients showed appointment adherence was higher in the telehealth group compared with the in-person group for both males (p=0.029) and females ($p\leq0.0001$).¹¹⁵

Overall, the results from these seven studies suggest that there is not a difference for those who receive telehealth in ED visits, hospitalization, adverse events, or missed visits based on gender (For further outcome details, see Appendix D, Evidence Table D.5.1).

3.3.11.3. Patient Characteristics: Race and Ethnicity

Seven studies provided data and analysis on gender subgroups.^{52, 59, 67, 76, 88, 108, 115} Six of the studies were retrospective cohort studies and one was a cross-sectional study.¹¹⁵ Outcomes reported were ED visits, hospitalization, readmission, adverse events, and missed visits.

One cohort study reported on ED visits and assessed in-person versus telehealth visits for the care of COVID-19 patients. This study found no significant association between telehealth and ED visits for patients who were White, non-Hispanic (OR: 0.66; 95% CI, 0.31 to 1.41); Black, non-Hispanic (OR: 0.80; 95% CI, 0.05 to 13.81); other race (0 events, in-person care and telehealth); and Hispanic (0 events, in-person care and telehealth).⁵⁹ There was no direct comparison between the race and ethnicity subgroups.

Four studies reported subgroup analyses for race and ethnicity on hospitalization, one of patients receiving care for general medical conditions and three of patients being treated for COVID-19.^{52, 59, 67, 76} The study of people receiving general medical care found no statistically significant difference in hospitalization rates for patients by race and ethnicity: compared with patients who were White, patients who were Black (OR: 1.01; 95% CI, 0.79 to 1.29), Asian (OR: 0.97; 95% CI, 0.42 to 2.25), or Other races (OR: 1.1; 95% CI, 0.64 to 1.91) showed non-statistically significant difference in hospitalization rates when receiving telehealth visits.⁷⁶ For patients who were Hispanic, compared with those who were non-Hispanic, there was also no statistically significant difference in hospitalization rates (OR: 1.79; 95% CI, 0.94 to 3.41). Two of the studies in patients with COVID-19 similarly reported non-statistically significant difference in hospitalization rates (OR: 1.79; 95% CI, 0.94 to 3.41). Two of the studies in patients with COVID-19 similarly reported non-statistically significant difference were White, patients who were White or African-American compared with Other races (White: HR: 2.59; 95% CI, 0.96 to 7.01; African-American: HR: 1.5; 95% CI, 0.63 to 4.01);⁶⁷ and patients who were White, non-Hispanic compared with patients who were African-American, non-Hispanic (OR: 0.85; 95% CI, 0.28 to 2.6), Hispanic (OR: 1.19; 95% CI, 0.14 to 9.8), or Other races (OR: 1.17; 95% CI, 0.14 to 9.67).⁵²

The third study on COVID-19 patients showed no statistical difference between in-person and telehealth groups for patients who were White non-Hispanic, Black non-Hispanic, Other races, and Hispanic. No direct comparison of race and ethnicity subgroups was conducted.⁵⁹

One cohort study reported on readmission and assessed in-person or telehealth visits for care of pregnant patients. This study found no significant association between telehealth and readmission for patients who were White, non-Hispanic (OR: 0.85; 95% CI, 0.16 to 4.64) and Black, non-Hispanic (OR: 1.01; 95% CI, 0.6 to 1.71).⁸⁸

For both adverse events and missed visits outcomes, the included studies showed a statistical difference between the in-person and telehealth arms by race and ethnicity. One cohort study looking at patients receiving care for general medical conditions showed a statistically significant lower average of medication-related issues in the telehealth group for people who were Black ($p \le 0.01$), Asian (p=0.03), and Hispanic (p=0.02).¹⁰⁸ One cross-sectional study looking at HIV patients showed a statistically significant higher appointment adherence rate among people who were Black (0.001) or Hispanic (0.015) and had a telehealth visit.¹¹⁵

Benefits and harms of telehealth may vary by race and ethnicity for adverse events and missed visits, but we were unable to make a determination for ED visits, hospitalization, and readmission (for further outcome details, see Appendix D, Evidence Table D.5.3).

3.3.11.4. Patient Characteristics: Presence of Comorbidities

Five cohort studies reported a subgroup analysis of outcomes from telehealth visits and the number of patients' comorbidities and reported on ED visits, hospitalizations, and adverse events. Three studies were conducted among patients receiving care for general medical conditions,^{56, 76, 108} and two studies reported this analysis among patients with COVID-19.^{59, 67}

For ED visits, one study on care for general medical conditions reported that an increase in the number of comorbidities among telehealth patients was associated with an increase in ED visits, although no statistically significant difference was observed (ED visits [OR: 1.09; 95% CI: 0.89 to 1.33].⁵⁶ Comorbidity subgroup analysis was not repeated for patients receiving inperson care. The second study that reported ED visits among patients with COVID-19 showed a lower rate of ED visits in the telehealth arm compared with the in-person arm for overweight and obese patients; however, the results were not statistically significant (overweight: p=0.10; obese: p=0.14).⁵⁹

Four studies reported on hospitalization outcomes for patient subgroups with comorbidities. In the care for general medical conditions, one cohort study reported that an increase in the number of comorbidities among telehealth patients was associated with an increase in hospitalization, although no statistically significant difference was observed (OR: 1.09; 95% CI: 0.85 to 1.38]).⁵⁶ Comorbidity subgroup analysis was not repeated for patients receiving in-person care. The second study on care for general medical conditions, using the Charlson Comorbidity Index, reported higher rates of hospitalization for those receiving telehealth for patients with more comorbidities (OR: 1.74; 95% CI, 1.67 to 1.81).⁷⁶ Comorbidity subgroup analysis was not repeated for patients receiving in-person care. The two studies conducted among patients with COVID-19 included analysis of overweight and obese subgroups. One study compared hospitalization rates of obese patients who received telehealth care versus non-obese patients who received telehealth, finding a significantly higher rate of hospitalization in obese patients (HR: 2.27; 95% CI, 1.17 to 4.41).⁶⁷ This analysis was not repeated for patients receiving inperson care however. The second study that reported hospitalization among patients with COVID-19 showed a slightly lower rate of hospitalization in the telehealth arm compared with

the in-person arm for overweight and obese patients; however, the results were not statistically significant (overweight: p=0.21; obese: p=0.47).⁵⁹

One study analyzed comorbidity subgroups for adverse events and compared in-person care with telehealth care for patients with general medical conditions. This cohort study reported a statistically significant lower average of medication-related issues in the telehealth group compared with the in-person group on several comorbidity subgroups: patients with high blood pressure (in-person: mean 2.1 [SD 1.78]; telehealth: mean 0.86 [SD 0.94], p \leq 0.01), diabetes (in-person: mean 2.1 [SD 1.61]; telehealth: mean 1.29 [SD 1.11], p \leq 0.01), end-organ damage (in-person: mean 2.09 [SD 1.61]; telehealth: mean 1.11 [SD 1.02], p \leq 0.01), and chronic kidney disease (in-person: mean 2.92 [SD 1.38]; telehealth: mean 0.75 [SD 0.71], p \leq 0.01).¹⁰⁸ Similar effects were seen for other comorbidities reported but were not statistically significant: patients on dialysis, and those with acquired immunodeficiency syndrome, congestive heart failure, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, dementia, connective tissue disorder, and malignant lymphoma.¹⁰⁸

The benefits and harms of using telehealth care did not show a significant difference for ED visits. Among patients receiving telehealth care, patients with more comorbidities may have higher hospitalization rates but a lower average of medication-related issues for certain comorbidities (for further outcome details, see Appendix D, Evidence Tables D.5.1 and D.5.2).

3.3.12. Results for Key Question 2c

Key Question 2c. Do the benefits and harms of telehealth during the COVID-19 era vary by provider and health system characteristics?

The providers represented a variety of specialties treating a wide range of clinical conditions. These services included clinical care for abortion and antenatal care, cardiology, diabetes, irritable bowel disease, rheumatology, primary care, and multidisciplinary clinics, as well as home-care services, to name a few. Among the 63 studies that compared in-person and telehealth interventions, three studies were conducted in nationally representative populations, 10 studies were conducted at a large regional health network, 24 were conducted at a large single center, 29 were conducted at single centers but did not specify if they were part of a larger health system, and one study did not provide enough information to determine the type of health system (see Appendix C, Results Table C.2 for further details). No studies directly addressed the association of benefits and harms outcomes of telehealth with provider or health system characteristics. Most of the reported outcomes were consistent for the specific clinical area or there was not any inconsistency in results that may be associated with provider or healthcare system characteristics.

3.4. Results for Key Question 3

Key Question 3. What is considered a successful telehealth intervention, and what are the barriers and facilitators of these interventions during the COVID-19 era:

- · From the patient or caregiver perspective?
- From the provider perspective?

3.4.1. Key Points and Summary

- Both patients and providers reported that telehealth is more convenient, provides greater access for many patients, provides patient and provider flexibility, is more efficient in terms of time and utilization of office space, allows for remote work, supports greater inclusion of family caregivers, and increases patient appointment compliance.
- Patients and providers felt that telehealth may not be suitable for specific patient populations, such as those who are more difficult to reach and engage via telehealth or those requiring complex care.
- Telehealth raises concerns about maintaining privacy and confidentiality in the digital environment, especially if patients access telehealth in public places or multi-person homes.
- Access to telehealth is felt by patients and providers to be unequally distributed and is especially inaccessible for patients of low socio-economic status, vulnerable populations, those with digital literacy problems, older adults, and non-native English speakers.
- Some patients perceive telehealth as a barrier to improved health outcomes owing to the absence of a physical exam and challenges in developing rapport and communicating with their care team, potentially resulting in delayed or missed diagnoses.
- Providers noted that the cost of telehealth can be a barrier to care owing to limits of insurance reimbursement.
- Providers felt that future use of telehealth should be considered in combination with traditional, in-person visits to ensure regular and appropriate followups, especially for specific patient populations (e.g., those who live far away from in-person care).
- Providers reported being more exhausted by telehealth and noted a potential drop in productivity as a result.

We identified 412 studies that addressed what we considered to be successful telehealth interventions (measured as user satisfaction or dissatisfaction) and barriers and facilitators of use of these interventions during the COVID-19 era. One hundred and eighty-seven studies were synthesized and included qualitative data from interviews, focus groups, and open-ended survey questions. One hundred and thirty-eight studies included quantitative data from surveys. Thirty-seven studies included both qualitative and quantitative data. For the draft report, we synthesized the qualitative research and considered whether the survey data supported or was in contrast with the findings from the qualitative research. For the update, we synthesized qualitative studies which added new information or identified new themes, but did not include new surveys (Appendix D, Evidence Table D.11, and Evidence Tables D.12 through D.17, Tables 15 and 16).

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Table 15. Overview of synthesized qualitative studies (N=187 studies)*

UK = United Kingdom; US = United States.

*Study total is greater than 187, some studies reported on more than one population.

† Early COVID-19 era = March through June 2020; Later COVID-19 era = June 2020 and beyond; General COVID-19 era = any time during the era of COVID-19.

[‡]As described by study authors.

Hospital administration staff.

[§]Medical records (notes) review.

Population, Number of Surveys	Country, Number of Surveys	Time Period, Number of Surveys [↑]	Other, Number of Surveys
Provider/Healthcare system, 43	Australia, 1 Austria, 1 Canada, 2 Germany, 2 Israel, 1 Lithuania, 1 Multiple countries [‡] , 4 Norway, 1 South Korea, 1 Switzerland, 3 The Netherlands, 2 UK, 3 US, 22	Early COVID-19 era, 26 Late COVID-19 era, 12 General COVID-19 era, 5	Urban setting, 13 Suburban setting, 1 Telephone-only interventions, 4
Patient, 67	Australia, 2 Belgium, 1 Canada, 1 France, 3 Germany, 1 Israel, 1 Italy, 4 South Korea, 2 Multiple [‡] , 1 New Zealand, 1 Spain, 1 Switzerland, 1 The Netherlands, 2 UK, 8 US, 37 Not reported, 1	Early COVID-19 era, 41 Late COVID-19 era, 9 General COVID-19 era, 15 Pre-COVID-19 versus COVID- 19 eras, 2	Urban setting, 30 Suburban setting, 1 Rural setting, 1 Telephone-only interventions, 13
Provider and Patient, 5	Australia, 4 Canada, 1	Early COVID-19 era, 2 Late COVID-19 era, 2 General COVID-19 era, 1	None
Patient and Caregiver, 16	Australia, 1 Canada, 1 Israel, 1 Italy, 1 New Zealand, 1 Spain, 1 UK, 3 US, 7	Early COVID-19 era, 8 Late COVID-19 era, 2 General COVID-19 era, 6	Urban setting, 2 Rural setting, 1
Caregiver, 5	Australia, 2 Denmark, 1	Early COVID-19 era, 2 General COVID-19 era, 1 Pre-COVID-19 versus COVID- 19 eras, 2	Urban setting, 3 Telephone-only, 1

Table 16. Overview of surveys (N=138 studies)*

UK = United Kingdom; US = United States.

*Study total is greater than 138, some studies reported on more than one population.
† Early COVID-19 era = March through June 2020; Later COVID-19 era = June 2020 and beyond; General COVID-19 era = any time during the era of COVID-19.
*As described by study authors.

We classified information in each individual qualitative study into the major themes of barriers or facilitators and satisfaction or dissatisfaction. We also classified subthemes, such as ease of use, access, and communication. Facilitators are considered factors that make a process, such as using telehealth, easier to initiate or use. Barriers are considered obstacles that make a process, such as using telehealth, more difficult to initiate or use. We defined satisfaction as the fulfillment of a want or need and dissatisfaction as not having a want or need fulfilled or being discontent with something, such as telehealth (Appendix D, Evidence Tables D.18 through D.21).

3.4.2. Barriers and Facilitators to Telehealth

3.4.2.1. Patient Perspective of Barriers and Facilitators to Telehealth

3.4.2.1.1. Telehealth Literacy

Three qualitative studies conducted in the United States, Canada, and Australia described the patient perspective, highlighting the limitations of using technology as a barrier to use,¹³⁷ as well as general lack of skill reducing the comfort level of using newer technology.¹³⁸ Specifically, two studies highlighted that older individuals may have difficulty with new technology.^{138, 139}

A small survey of 34 patients in the United States identified telehealth as convenient and well-integrated, with a few survey respondents noting that the system was unnecessarily complex.¹⁴⁰ The survey data differ from the qualitative data in that the populations are from different countries; the survey included heart failure patients versus general care in the qualitative study; and the qualitative data were collected in the later COVID-19 era, whereas the survey data were collected during the general COVID-19 era (Appendix C, Results Table D.11).

We have high confidence, based on three studies with minor methodological concerns, that telehealth literacy among patients is a barrier to care. This statement is supported by a survey with similar results (Appendix C, Results Table C.4; Appendix D, Evidence Table D.22; Table 17).

3.4.2.1.2. Cost

No studies described cost from the perspective of patients as a barrier or a facilitator to telehealth.

3.4.2.1.3. Privacy

Seven qualitative studies described issues of privacy from patient perspectives. Patients raised concerns about confidentiality and privacy during the virtual visit,¹⁴¹⁻¹⁴⁷ describing concerns about not having caller ID, being overheard, and issues of background noise. Because of these types of noted issues, there was a preference for telephone consultations that would allow patients to write notes.

Two surveys of patients noted shorter waiting periods, and participants felt that their privacy was secured and respected.^{148, 149} The survey data may differ from the qualitative data as the specific type of telehealth was not reported in the surveys; patient conditions or clinical needs were different between the two types of studies; and the qualitative data were collected primarily during the early and general COVID-19 eras, whereas the surveys were conducted in the early COVID-19 era (Appendix C, Results Table C.3.).

		Methodologic				
Theme	Number of	Limitations (CASP				CERQual
Conclusion	Studies	Rating)	Coherence	Adequacy	Relevance	Assessment
Telehealth literacy: Telehealth	3 ¹³⁷⁻¹³⁹	No or very minor	No or very minor	No or very minor	No or very minor	High Confidence
literacy amongst patients is a		concerns	concerns	concerns	concerns	5
barrier to care.						
Cost:	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Privacy: Issues surrounding	7 ^{141, 142, 144-147,}	Minor concerns	No or very minor	Moderate concerns	No or very minor	Moderate
privacy are a patient-perceived	150		concerns		concerns	confidence
barrier to care via telehealth.						
Outcomes: Patients believe	5 ^{142, 143, 151-153}	Minor concerns	No or very minor	Moderate concerns	No or very minor	Moderate
telehealth may be a barrier to			concerns		concerns	confidence
improved health.						
Communication: Telehealth	6 ^{137, 142, 147, 150,}	Minor concerns	No or very minor	No or very minor	No or very minor	High confidence
can act as both a barrier to care	154, 155		concerns	concerns	concerns	5
and a facilitator to care from a						
patient's perspective.						
Technical issues: From the	9 ^{140, 142, 143, 147,}	Minor concerns	No or very minor	Moderate concerns	No or very minor	Moderate
perspective of patients,	155-159		concerns		concerns	confidence
technical issues present a						
barrier to care.						
Inequity: Access to telehealth	6 ^{137, 141, 160-163}	Minor concerns	No or very minor	Moderate concerns	No or very minor	Moderate
care is problematic for patients			concerns		concerns	confidence
with low socioeconomic status,						
including vulnerable						
populations, older adults, and						
non-native English speakers.						
Suggestions: Patients can	5 ^{157, 158, 163-165}	Minor concerns	No or very minor	Moderate concerns	No or very minor	Moderate
provide suggestions for better			concerns		concerns	confidence
telehealth implementation.						
Advantages: Patients feel that	4 ^{142, 145, 166, 167}	Minor concerns	No or very minor	Moderate concerns	No or very minor	Moderate
telehealth improves access to			concerns		concerns	confidence
care, services, and						
convenience.						
Appropriateness of fit: Unable	7 ^{141, 158, 162, 168-}	Minor concern	No or very minor	No or very minor	No or very minor	Moderate
to draw a conclusion based on	171		concerns	concerns	concerns	confidence
conflicting evidence.						
Changes to practice:	1 ¹⁷²	Minor concerns	No or very minor	Serious concerns	No or very minor	Low confidence
Telehealth can lead to changes			concerns		concerns	
in practice that facilitate care.						

Table 17. Summary of the evidence for patient perspectives of barriers and facilitators (N=23)

Theme Conclusion	Number of Studies	Methodologic Limitations (CASP Rating)	Coherence	Adequacy	Relevance	CERQual Assessment
Future use: Patients do not	3 ¹⁷³⁻¹⁷⁵	Minor concerns	No or very minor	Minor concerns	Minor concerns	Moderate
believe using telehealth in the			concerns			confidence
future is a good option.						

CASP = Critical Appraisal Skills Programme; CERQual = Confidence in the Evidence from Reviews of Qualitative Research; NA = not applicable.

We have moderate confidence, based on the seven qualitative studies, that issues surrounding privacy are a patient-perceived barrier to care via telehealth. Our confidence is not high owing to the limited information available across the studies and the overall heterogeneity of the populations (Appendix C, Results Table C.4; Appendix D, Evidence Table D.22; Table 17). Information collected from surveys, in contrast, suggests that privacy is not a patient-perceived barrier to care via telehealth.

3.4.2.1.4. Health Outcomes

Five qualitative studies described health outcomes associated with telehealth from the patient perspective. Patients felt that telehealth compromised their healthcare by letting their care "fall through the cracks" as a result of not having a physical exam, missed diagnoses, and discomfort discussing symptoms over the telephone.^{143, 151, 152} Patients expressed concerns about possible disease progression,¹⁴² citing challenges with remote assessment that included decreased clinical monitoring and ability to develop rapport – both of which could undermine the therapeutic relationship, exacerbate 'secretive' disorders (e.g., anorexia nervosa), and decrease overall clinical efficacy.¹⁵³

There were no surveys of patients that collected data about telehealth as being a barrier or facilitator to better health outcomes.

We have moderate confidence that patients perceive telehealth as a barrier to improved health outcomes. Our confidence is limited owing to inadequate description of qualitative methods in 40 percent of the studies, as well as the overall heterogeneity of the populations (Appendix C, Results Table C.4; Appendix D, Evidence Table D.22; Table 17).

3.4.2.1.5. Communication

Six qualitative studies addressed communication barriers and facilitators from the patient perspective. When compared with in-person evaluations, patient participants cited communication via telehealth as limited^{142, 147} and not as effective or resulting in reduced confidence in the provider's expertise.¹³⁷ In particular, patients perceived telehealth as less thorough and more rushed¹⁴⁷ and impersonal.¹⁵⁵ Patients reported difficulties building rapport, especially via telephone, owing to the lack of eye-to-eye contact and physical examination,¹⁴² and they expressed dislike for the formality of telephone appointments and the lack of nonverbal communication.¹⁵⁴ Patients described facilitators, such as the use of video conferencing, as more beneficial than a telephone appointment, as it allows the use of nonverbal communication.¹⁵⁴ Patients valued the 'step-by-step' approach staff took in explaining the process; they also emphasized that it was important that information be presented clearly, without the use of medicalized language, and that ample time be provided to ask questions.¹⁵⁰

One survey¹⁷⁶ noted that, when accessing telehealth, patients felt they had a better understanding of their need for a consultation and had adequate opportunity to discuss their concerns with the doctor. This survey differs from the qualitative studies in that the intervention was via telephone, only, rather than via telephone plus video. Populations also differed between this survey and the qualitative studies with the survey data focused on older (65+ years) patients (Appendix C, Results Table C.3).

We have high confidence that telehealth can act as both a barrier and a facilitator to communication from a patient perspective. We have minor concerns related to the adequacy of the findings in the studies, as well as the possibly skewed population providing input on outcomes in one study; however, we did not feel that these concerns sufficiently biased the findings in this area (Appendix C, Results C.4; Appendix D, Evidence Table D.22; Table 17). The survey pointed to telehealth having a positive impact on communication between patients and providers.

3.4.2.1.6. Technical Issues

We identified nine qualitative studies that addressed technical issues. From the patient perspective, technology-related barriers^{137, 147, 155, 158} included joining the online appointment¹⁵⁹ and utilizing the technology.^{142, 160} Patients felt intimidated by the technology; many were concerned that online technological aspects would be too difficult, ¹⁵⁶ and this was further affected by the abrupt transition to telehealth.¹⁵⁷ Other issues that patients noted were difficulties obtaining prescriptions and pathology results, reduced confidence in the doctor, and an added burden for complex medical care.¹³⁷ Other patient groups described issues with having to take their own vitals or an overall preference for in-person visits.¹⁴⁰ Concerns specific to the method of telehealth included feeling that communication was not as effective, ¹³⁷ feeling like it was hard to hear during the appointment,¹⁴² and lack of access to the Internet or a video-conferencing device.¹⁴²

Fourteen surveys provided patient perspectives on technical issues with telehealth.^{140, 149, 176-}

¹⁸⁷ Although many participants rated video and audio quality as "good," greater than 15 percent of populations surveyed were neutral-to-negative about video and audio quality.^{149, 180, 181} One survey reported that 28 percent of the participants required technical assistance with the telehealth visit.¹⁸⁴ The survey data are similar to the qualitative data in that video (audio-visual appointments) was the primary mode of delivery and at least half of the data were from a U.S. population. However, the survey and qualitative data differ in patient health concern (Appendix C, Results Table C.3).

We have moderate confidence that patients perceive technical issues as a barrier to telehealth care. There was a lack of methodologic rigor and description of findings across studies, resulting in a lack of clarity about and confidence in the findings. Additionally, there was overall heterogeneity of the populations (Appendix C, Results Table C.4; Appendix D, Evidence Table D.22; Table 17). Information collected via patient survey supported the finding that technical issues can be a barrier to telehealth care from the patient perspective.

3.4.2.1.7. Inequity

We identified five qualitative studies that addressed inequity and its impact on access to telehealth care. Access was noted as problematic by patients with low socio-economic status or those lacking adequate resources, such as a stable internet connection.^{143, 157, 188} One study pointed to technology experience and lack of support surrounding it as an issue.¹⁸⁸ These issues were especially problematic for specific subgroups, presenting an issue of health equity.^{141, 142} These subgroups included vulnerable populations, those with digital literacy problems, older adults, and non-native English speakers. 143, 174

Two surveys^{178, 183} asked patients about telehealth access inequity. One survey highlighted that, while most patients have access to laptops, smartphones, or other devices that are video conference compatible, patients who are retired (i.e., older) have less access to these devices.¹⁷⁸

The other survey reported that patients often opt for telephone rather than video visits owing to a lack of access to video-capable devices.¹⁸³ These surveys differ from the qualitative studies in the populations studied. Additionally, all qualitative data were gathered in the early COVID-19 era, whereas survey data were collected in both the early and later COVID-19 eras. When reported, the mode of telehealth delivery was audio-visual for nine of the 15 surveys, and six of the qualitative studies (Appendix C, Results Table C.3).

We have moderate confidence that access to telehealth is problematic for patients in specific subgroups, including those of low socioeconomic status, vulnerable populations, older adults, and non-native English speakers. There were poor descriptions of qualitative data collection and analyses and heterogeneity in the populations studied (Appendix C, Results Table C.4; Appendix D, Evidence Table D.22; Table 17). Information collected via patient surveys supports our conclusion that access to telehealth can be a source of inequity.

3.4.2.1.8. Suggestions

We identified five qualitative studies from the patient perspective that included suggestions for better telehealth implementation, including greater technology integration support, as well as a provision for larger screens or better bandwidth.^{163, 164} Providing technical instruction or assistance to improve adoption of virtual care for elderly clients and others who struggled with this technology was suggested,¹⁵⁷ as was training for staff so they could provide support to patients.¹⁵⁷ Mental health and physical health were noted as important to patients, particularly for pre-, ante-, and postnatal populations; this population in particular felt that mental health was not addressed well by telehealth, and suggested that mental health care be included as a standard of care during telehealth visits.¹⁶⁵ Further, some patients receiving mental health prior to the COVID-19 era wanted additional online services, such as group therapy via video and more options for online counseling.¹⁵⁸

There were no surveys that collected patient suggestions on telehealth implementation.

We have moderate confidence that patients provided suggestions that are useful for better telehealth implementation. We had concerns with poor reporting of methodology and descriptions of findings. Additionally, there is overall heterogeneity of the populations studied (Appendix C, Results C.4; Appendix D, Evidence Table D.22; Table 17).

3.4.2.1.9. Advantages

Four qualitative studies identified some of the positive aspects of telehealth noted by patients: improved access to care,^{145, 166} availability of services during the pandemic,^{142, 167} convenience and cost savings associated with accessing care,¹⁶⁶ and easier access to general practice services.¹⁶⁷

There were no surveys that reported patient perspectives on the advantages of telehealth.

We have moderate confidence that patients perceive that telehealth improves access to care, services, and convenience. Our confidence was lower primarily owing to limited details on methodology and descriptions of findings and heterogeneity of the populations studied (Appendix C, Results C.4; Appendix D, Evidence Table D.22; Table 17).

3.4.2.1.10. Appropriateness of Fit

We identified seven qualitative studies addressing appropriateness of fit (i.e., whether telehealth is a good fit for end users based on abilities and understanding). While some patients noted a preference for in-person visits in general,^{141, 162} they also acknowledged the need for

telehealth during the pandemic. Staying at home was the primary reason that telehealth was cited as a good fit, including preferring the comfort and convenience of home,^{168, 169} the care and home-life balance,^{168, 170} and relief of financial stress owing to travel.¹⁶⁸ One study noted that patients reported an ease of effectively communicating their concerns with their providers during phone appointments; they did not perceive any decrease in quality of care.¹⁴¹ There were situations where patients felt that telehealth was not a good fit, including first appointments, appointments for new symptoms, or long-term management of chronic conditions.^{162, 171} Patients described not feeling comfortable using tele-mental health, not being able to connect to their provider, feeling that there was a decrease in the number of sessions, and that the phone was less effective.^{158, 169}

There were no surveys that collected data on appropriateness of fit.

We have moderate confidence in the varying opinions patients have about the appropriateness of telehealth. The seven qualitative studies provided findings both in favor of and against the use of telehealth for their specific concerns. The primary methodological concerns of these studies were insufficient detail about how the data were collected or analyzed. (Appendix C, Results C.4; Appendix D, Evidence Table D.22; Table 17).

3.4.2.1.11. Changes to Practice

One study, conducted later in the COVID-19 era, addressed changes to practice as a facilitator to care. This study concerned people with opioid/substance use disorder and identified new procedures that limited patient exposure to others while providing the same level of service, including reduced requirements for in-person treatment, increased doses of medication to take home, and medication delivery systems.¹⁷² This was a new theme identified during the update for our review; we did not include surveys for the update.

We have low confidence that telehealth can lead to changes in practice that facilitate care. One small study of 37 individuals with opioid use disorder discussed changes in care. This study did not describe aims, recruitment, or data analysis sufficiently (Appendix C, Results C.4; Appendix D, Evidence Table D.22; Table 17).

3.4.2.1.12. Future of Telehealth

Information was also gathered regarding the future of telehealth in three qualitative studies. Obstetric patients were not interested in the continuation of telehealth.¹⁷³ Patients receiving mental health noted that telehealth was convenient, but they were not interested in using it in the future.^{174, 175} This was a new theme identified during the update for our review; we did not include surveys for the update.

We have moderate confidence that patients do not consider telehealth in the future as a good option. The three included studies had minor methodologic concerns but, most importantly, only gathered information from patients receiving care for mental health or obstetrics, which may have biased opinions (Appendix C, Results C.4; Appendix D, Evidence Table D.22; Table 17).

3.4.2.2. Provider Perspective of Barriers and Facilitators to Telehealth

3.4.2.2.1. Telehealth Literacy

Eight qualitative studies discussed issues of telehealth literacy from the provider perspective. Four studies noted telehealth literacy as a barrier to using the telehealth platform that included connectivity issues,¹⁸⁹ the initial setup of the telehealth platform,¹⁹⁰ and patient knowledge.^{189, 191,}

¹⁹² Providers across five studies noted various barriers in patients using telehealth, the most common of which were issues related to patient knowledge¹⁹² and digital literacy levels,^{189, 193} especially among specific geographic, aging, and racial/ethnic groups.¹⁹⁴ Mitigating digital literacy barriers was noted as a concern.¹⁹⁵ Suggested facilitators to implementing telehealth services were noted by providers in three studies and included online or paper modules for using and interacting with the telehealth platform,¹⁹⁰ online modules that are specifically targeted to support staff,¹⁹⁰ more training and time dedicated to learning to use telehealth,¹⁹⁶ and calls made ahead of telehealth appointments to help patients navigate inside the portal.¹⁸⁹ Six surveys^{190, 193, 196-199} identified telehealth literacy as a barrier, with providers citing

Six surveys^{190, 193, 196-199} identified telehealth literacy as a barrier, with providers citing concern about patients' ability to use telehealth^{193, 196, 197, 199} and concerns about their own ability or time to learn new systems.¹⁹⁰ Three surveys identified telehealth literacy as a facilitator,^{197, 200, 201} with providers identifying their own telehealth ability as *good* to *very good* and noting their comfort using telehealth. The survey data are similar to the qualitative data in that the populations are predominantly based in the United States and the telehealth was primarily delivered via video. However, healthcare system data are lacking in both types of study and practice type/or specialty, and the timing of the studies was heterogeneous in both the qualitative and quantitative studies (Appendix C, Results Table C.5).

We have moderate confidence that providers find the telehealth literacy of their patients to be a barrier to care and that their own telehealth literacy can be increased through training. Our concerns with the studies were lack of transparency in data collection and limited presentations of findings. Additionally, there is overall heterogeneity of the populations studied (Appendix C, Results Table C.6; Appendix D, Evidence Table D.22; Table 18). Surveys identified additional barriers for patients from the provider perspective; however, surveys reported that providers were confident in their own telehealth literacy.

3.4.2.2.2. Cost

Nineteen qualitative studies elicited provider feedback about costs associated with telehealth. While providers found the telehealth model desirable and sustainable, the most consistently noted barrier was financial limitations related to charges for service delivery or reimbursements and revenue.^{190, 192, 202-206} Conversely, some providers described the financial impact of converting to telehealth as minimal²⁰⁷ with an added benefit of reducing the financial burden to patients experiencing health disparities.²⁰⁸⁻²¹¹ In addition, providers expressed concern that telehealth might be overused in the future as a cost- and time-saving measure, even if not in the best interest of patients.^{212, 213}

Concerns about the time and work involved with checking each patient's medical coverage were noted,¹⁸⁹ as was the inability to conduct physical assessments.¹⁸⁹ Opioid treatment programs in one study offered telehealth services either for medication management and/or psychosocial services only.²⁰² Results from two studies questioned whether the telehealth model

Table 10. Summary of the evi		Methodological				CERQual
Theme	Number of	Limitations (CASP				Assessment
Conclusion	Studies	Rating)	Coherence	Adequacy	Relevance	
Telehealth literacy : Telehealth literacy of patients is considered a barrier to care by providers. Providers noted that their own telehealth literacy can be increased through training.	8189-196	Minor concerns (barriers); moderate concerns (facilitators)	No or very minor concerns	Moderate concerns	No or very minor to minor concerns	Moderate confidence
Cost : The cost of telehealth can be a barrier to care owing to limitations of reimbursement.	19 ^{189, 190, 192, 202-217}	Minor concerns (barriers); serious concerns (facilitators)	No or very minor concerns	Moderate concerns	No to very minor concerns	Moderate confidence
Privacy : Privacy, in the context of maintaining confidentiality, is a concern for providers, although some benefits were noted.	10 ^{171, 218-226}	Moderate concerns (barriers); minor concerns (facilitators)	No or very minor concerns	No to very minor concerns	No to very minor concerns	Moderate confidence
Outcomes : Telehealth can be a barrier to health outcomes owing to lack of physical interaction with patients. However, providers noted that telehealth can also give a more holistic view of patients and their environment and could improve quality of care. Further, telehealth access impacts provider ability to deliver care, which impacts patient outcomes.	33 143, 182, 190-192, 195, 196, 198, 218, 227-250	Minor concerns (facilitators); moderate concerns (barriers)	No or very minor concerns	Moderate concerns	No to very minor concerns	Moderate confidence
Communication : Telehealth can impede communication between provider and patient, while also facilitating it through patient education and increased patient comfort from receiving care at home.	16 190-192, 198, 214, 215, 231, 233, 237, 244, 246, 248, 250-253	Minor concerns	No or very minor concerns	Moderate concerns	Minor concerns	Moderate confidence
Inequity : Inequity, in the context of access to telehealth,	19 ^{189, 192, 198, 214,} 218, 228, 230, 231,	Minor concerns	No or very minor concerns	Minor concerns.	No to very minor concerns	High confidence

Table 18. Summary of the evidence for provider perspectives of barriers and facilitators (N=60)

is a concern of providers across specialty areas.	240-242, 245, 248, 250, 252, 254-257					
Technology issues : Providers feel that technology issues can negatively impact access to care across specialty areas.	27 143, 182, 190, 192, 202, 206, 215, 230, 232, 233, 240-242, 244, 246-248, 250, 255, 258-265	Minor concerns	No or very minor concerns	Minor concerns	No to very minor concerns	High confidence
Appropriateness of fit: Telehealth can be used appropriately as long as alternative delivery of care is considered.	4 ^{182, 191, 196, 202}	Minor concerns	No or very minor concerns	Minor concerns	No to very minor concerns	High confidence
Future use Providers stressed the need for flexible modes of care delivery based on patient suitability and patient/provider preference, citing a blended/hybrid model as the best approach for future care delivery.	16 ²¹⁰ , 216, 223, 225, 249, 266-276	Minor concerns	No or very minor concerns	Minor concerns	No to very minor concerns	High confidence
Preparedness for future implementation: Providers and their practices felt that they were prepared for telehealth and its future use.	3 ^{209, 277, 278}	Moderate concerns	No to very minor concerns	Minor concerns	No to very minor concerns	Moderate confidence
Change in practice Telehealth was largely regarded positively but necessitated changes to workflow, better orientation for patients, and aligning of expectations of therapy.	7 172, 208, 217, 223, 270, 272, 275	Minor concerns	No or very minor concerns	Minor concerns	No to very minor concerns	High confidence

CASP = Critical Appraisal Skills Programme; CERQual = Confidence in the Evidence from Reviews of Qualitative Research.

is sustainable.^{214, 215} A suggested facilitator was to designate one person to validate coverage/billings costs for certain visits (e.g., nutrition telehealth visits).¹⁸⁹ Providers expressed a need for organizations to provide financial assistance in order to obtain adequate technologies necessary for successfully implementing telehealth services.^{210, 216} They also expressed concerns about the costs associated with staff workload pressures and lack of human connection for patients.²¹⁷

Six surveys identified cost as a barrier to telehealth,^{245, 279-282} with healthcare providers concerned about reimbursement^{245, 281, 282} and the general increase in the cost of business.^{279, 280} Two surveys reported benefits of telehealth in relation to cost: reduced travel burden²⁸³ and the ability to deliver care at the same cost via telehealth.²⁸⁴ Qualitative data were collected more often in the United States than surveys and more frequently included video as a mode of delivery. There were no common findings across the two types of studies in reference to healthcare system, clinical specialty, or time period that the data were collected (Appendix C, Results C.5).

We have moderate confidence that the cost of telehealth can be a barrier to care owing to limits to insurance reimbursement. Our confidence was lowered owing to concerns about insufficient details about recruitment and data collection. Three studies included a moderately detailed discussion of costs as a barrier; most of the studies that discussed cost as a possible facilitator included moderately detailed discussions. Additionally, there was overall heterogeneity of the populations studied (Appendix C, Results Table C.6; Appendix D, Evidence Table D.22; Table 18). The surveys echoed the concern about reimbursement, but providers also noted in the surveys that telehealth could reduce costs by reducing their travel burden.

3.4.2.2.3. Privacy

Ten qualitative studies described providers' concerns about privacy in telehealth. Privacy concerns were related to maintaining confidentiality in the digital environment,²¹⁹ especially if patients accessed telehealth in public places.²¹⁸ Some providers noted that a benefit of telehealth was increased privacy, which supported greater comfort for patient disclosure and help-seeking,^{171, 220} while others cited difficulties ensuring privacy and confidentiality.²²¹⁻²²⁴ Difficulties ensuring privacy stemmed from patients having children and/or other housemates that made it difficult for them to express themselves freely, as they did not want their conversation overheard or had to work around the schedules of other people in the household.^{223, 224} In addition, inadequate privacy may limit the accessibility of remotely delivered services.^{225, 226}

There were no surveys that collected data on privacy from a provider perspective.

We have moderate confidence that there are issues related to privacy in the context of confidentiality from a provider perspective. We had concerns related to transparency of data collection, recruitment, study design, and analysis in the two qualitative studies. We also have moderate confidence that privacy is a facilitator to telehealth. We had concerns about data collection, recruitment, and analysis, however, findings related to privacy were thoroughly described (Appendix C, Results C.6; Appendix D, Evidence Table D.22; Table 18).

3.4.2.2.4. Health Outcomes

Thirty-three qualitative studies discussed health outcomes associated with telehealth from the provider perspective. Providers in one study noted a preference for phone over video as lockdown eased, even though they were able to achieve physical assessments (e.g., gait and

respiratory monitoring) via video.²⁴³ Providers' most frequently cited limitation of telehealth was the lack of physical interaction/exam with patients.^{143, 192, 231, 239, 240, 244} Providers also noted concerns with telehealth appointments: less information to inform clinical decision-making,²⁴⁸ inadequate quality of care provided via the telehealth environment versus face-to-face,²⁴¹ potential risks to patients and providers from virtual interactions,²³⁴ concerns about prescribing certain medications,²⁴⁷ the continuity of the rehab process and developing rapport,^{233, 240} and potential for patients to become distracted in the home environment.²⁴⁴ Providers noted telehealth as resulting in a lack of physical contact,¹⁴³ being more exhausting than face-to-face therapy,²³⁷ and resulting in feelings of loneliness, all affecting therapists' well-being at work.²³⁷ In addition, providers noted difficulties in providing a standard level of patient care, resulting from poor quality of technology; however, they also felt that the technology facilitated unexpected positive outcomes, such as being able to meet families and providing innovations for group therapy.²²⁹ Providers discussed a potential drop in their productivity.¹⁹⁸

Improved outcomes associated with telehealth noted by providers were a more holistic view of the patient and their home environment,²⁵⁰ more opportunity for families/caregivers to be involved in telehealth visits,^{182, 231, 236} facilitated clinical assessment and treatment,¹⁹¹ patients being able to set up a relaxing experience in their home,¹⁸² improved client contact,²³¹ and maintained or improved quality of care.²¹⁸ In addition, video visits were described as advantageous, as they were convenient and saved patients time and money, particularly for older patients and those traveling long distances for in-person appointments.^{182, 245}

Providing and facilitating access to video visits to all patients was reported as an important goal, which might be accomplished by engaging and empowering health system personnel to expand access.¹⁹⁵ This action would help to streamline scheduling processes and video visit workflows¹⁹⁶ and provide clinic staff support to prepare patients for visits.¹⁹⁶ To be sustainable, "Patients' suitability for video visits would need to be determined during scheduling based on several criteria (e.g., physical examination needs, patient's technological capacity and demographics, new versus return)."²⁴⁵

Providers noted that the use of telehealth reduced travel time,^{240, 246} is more convenient,^{246, 248} and allows for time flexibility.¹⁸² Telehealth was noted as improving patient access to care^{230, 236} and facilitating continuity of care.²⁴⁵ Providers expressed that their experiences providing pain rehabilitation via telehealth were tightly linked to whether the methods could be used properly, related to technology, the environment, the patient, and the provider/care team.²²⁷ Providers expressed appreciation of continued care, facilitated through equitable patient access to required technology and devices (e.g., smart phones, tablet, e-mail).^{190, 228}

Providers felt that telehealth facilitated access to colleagues with prior telehealth experience, accessible electronic medical record (EMR) data to plan telehealth care visits in advance of visits, and assistance for office staff in telehealth scheduling and administration.¹⁹⁰ One group altered how they could use telehealth to triage or collect a medical history before an in-person visit, thereby minimizing exposure time.²³⁵ Having good technology setup²⁷⁹ and training were seen as necessary for successful implementation,^{238, 249} as were having a technology advocate²⁴² and flexibility of telehealth platforms.²³² In addition, providers felt it was important to provide technological access and support.^{196, 244}

Limited and conflicting information regarding outcomes from the provider perspective was available in the survey data. One survey of psychiatrists found that providers thought that their video sessions were equivalent to face-to-face sessions;²⁰⁰ and, in another survey of neurosurgeons, providers felt that the quality of care via telehealth was inferior to face-to-face

visits.²⁸⁵ Owing to the heterogeneity of data in the qualitative studies, we cannot point to any similarities across the groups (Appendix C, Results Table C.5).

We have moderate confidence that telehealth can be a barrier to health outcomes owing to a lack of physical interaction with patients. However, providers noted that telehealth can also give a more holistic view of patients and their environment and, in that way, could improve quality of care. We have concerns about transparency and sufficiency of data collection as well as analytic procedures.

Further, telehealth access impacts provider ability to deliver care which impacts patient outcomes. There is overall heterogeneity of the populations studied (Appendix C, Results Table C.6; Appendix D, Evidence Table D.22; Table 18). Information on outcomes was only found in two surveys and is not comparable to the qualitative data; the surveys only recorded provider impressions of the equivalence of telehealth to face-to-face visits.

3.4.2.2.5. Communication

Sixteen qualitative studies detailed the provider perspective of communication in telehealth. Providers noted barriers in communication and developing rapport, which they felt was not as effective in telehealth compared with in-person visits owing to technical limitations that exacerbated the lack of visual cues, eye contact, and body language (i.e., nonverbal limitations).^{191, 198, 215, 246, 248} In discussing technical limitations, providers noted Zoom fatigue²⁵¹ and managing group dynamics,²⁵¹ in addition to concerns about delays in examination, time to complete evaluation,²⁴⁴ privacy,^{214, 250} and lack of "water cooler" opportunities to collaborate with other therapists, caregivers, or patients.²³³ Providers noted concerns about how patients regard telehealth appointments, such as the formality with which patients do/do not regard the virtual appointment (e.g., driving during the appointment).²⁵²

Provider-noted facilitators included having a centralized patient call center to facilitate patient technological troubleshooting and scheduling;¹⁹⁰ providing explicit orientation to etiquette expectations;²⁵¹ offering individual coaching, as needed, to facilitate social competency with telehealth;²⁵¹ and having good leadership and teamwork practices that support telehealth.²⁵³ Other facilitators noted by providers were to use end-of-day clinical debriefs among the care team, check-in with clients after already scheduled visits, and/or use text and phone for outreach.²⁵¹

Providers felt that telehealth resulted in increased comfort for patients in their own home²⁴⁶ and described video visits as convenient and efficient²³¹ and as facilitating better emotional connections.²⁴⁸ Of note, providers stated that telehealth resulted in their ability to use new strategies for connecting with patients,²⁴⁶ such as being able to add visual cues to aid to their discussions (e.g., during dietary conversations, holding up the actual food item).¹⁹² Findings of one study showed that telehealth services may not be appropriate for patients with complex diseases or situations that require a great variety of health services.²³⁷ Providers felt that telehealth facilitated easier connectivity to patients,²⁵⁰ in particular for teenage patients who tend to use telehealth visits more than in-person visits, offering increased insight into how patients/families manage their disorders at home.¹⁹²

Six surveys collected information on telehealth and its impact on communication.^{196, 200, 245, 250, 282, 286} In one survey, providers noted that they had good rapport and were able to connect well with their patients via telehealth.²⁰⁰ The remainder of the surveys pointed to concerns about or barriers to communication between provider and patients: providers had concerns about sharing information with other healthcare teams and understanding patient preferences for

care;²⁵⁰ expressed a desire for training in reference to telehealth communication, communicating post-visit instructions, or using interpreters on calls;^{196, 245, 282} had difficulty reaching patients and recognized patient preferences for face-to-face communication.²⁸⁶ Both the qualitative studies and surveys took place primarily in the United States but are not comparable to one another across mode of delivery, healthcare system, or provider specialty (Appendix C, Results C.5).

We have moderate confidence that telehealth can both impede and facilitate communication between provider and patient: barriers include telehealth platform fatigue and provider concerns about patients' casual approach to telehealth care; facilitators include increased patient comfort and easier connectivity to patients. Concerns about this body of evidence include a lack of transparency in data collection and analysis and descriptions of communication issues that were not thorough in over one-third of included qualitative studies. Additionally, there is overall heterogeneity of the populations studied (Appendix C, Results C.6; Appendix D, Evidence Table D.22; Table 18). Survey data identified a different set of provider concerns about and benefits of telehealth for communication.

3.4.2.2.6. Inequity

Eighteen qualitative studies addressed inequity as a concern for providers. While providers felt that telehealth improved patient access to care,^{218, 230} access was described as potentially different for some populations (e.g., rural, disabled, those without reliable internet service) raising the issue of equity in access to healthcare.^{214, 231, 240, 248, 252, 255, 257} Providers highlighted issues with patients' ability to access the technology and/or equipment,^{192, 228, 245, 250, 256} especially for remote/rural communities^{189, 198, 241, 242, 254, 257} or for those who have limited resources, such as limited internet access or equipment.²²⁸

Eight surveys of providers collected information on telehealth inequity.^{196, 199, 245, 253, 280, 282, 286, 287} Inequity was noted as connection (Wi-Fi or internet) access or issues^{280, 287} and the potential that patients' limited financial resources could limit access.^{196, 199, 253, 280, 282} These surveys are not comparable to the qualitative studies in terms of where studies were conducted, mode of telehealth, clinical specialty area, or timing of data collection (Appendix C, Results C.5).

We have high confidence that inequity, in the context of access to telehealth, is a concern for providers across specialty areas. We had only minor concerns regarding data collection, accuracy, transparency, and analysis (Appendix C, Results C.6; Appendix D, Evidence Table D.22; Table 18). The survey information collected aligned with the qualitative data.

3.4.2.2.7. Technical Issues

Twenty-seven qualitative studies identified technology challenges, including digital literacy, experienced by many providers and their staff. Providers noted that technical difficulties sometimes resulted in missed appointments²⁶² and that there were inadequate resources available to resolve these technical issues.^{192, 206, 255, 262, 265} Providers noted logistical challenges in accessing the telehealth technology.²⁴⁶ They also indicated that the swift transition to telehealth after March 2020, and the minimal use of it prior to that, greatly affected the ease of implementation.^{190, 215, 248} There were concerns about patients' variable internet speeds, which could result in insufficient diagnostic ability.²⁴⁷ Providers noted difficulties accessing telehealth services in hospice care.²⁶⁰ The delivery of services through telehealth²⁶⁴ may be limited by patient, provider, and technological factors;^{230, 232, 244, 258, 259} the absence of desired functionalities, such as a virtual waiting room or a chat function, resulted in challenges in the

workflow,¹⁴³ and some providers found telehealth to be time consuming.^{192, 247} In addition, providers noted a potential loss of access to the electronic medical record when working remotely.²⁴² Some providers described challenges that their opioid treatment providers faced in implementing telehealth services, citing clinic capacity.²⁰² Likewise, some providers noted the time demands and costs associated with setup.²⁴¹ Recent transitions to the electronic medical record exacerbated unfamiliarity with telehealth administration and scheduling.¹⁹⁰

Digital literacy of both patients and providers was raised as a concern by providers.²⁵⁰ Providers described limited abilities to prevent technical difficulties as a barrier.¹⁸² Such difficulties disproportionately affected older and economically disadvantaged patients who may struggle to use laptops and tablets^{261, 263} and lack digital proficiency.²⁴⁰ Technological limitations also included ease of use and the learning curve of therapists and patients;²³³ while usability was considered high, usability/technical difficulties and lack of digital literacy affected implementation and ease of use, especially with logging on and maintaining continuous Wi-Fi or data connection throughout the visit.¹⁴³

We identified 12 surveys of providers that addressed barriers to telehealth caused by technical issues.^{179, 182, 193, 196, 245, 250, 255, 280, 288-291} There was a wide variety of concerns identified in the surveys: for example, connection issues encountered prior to consultation on both the provider and patient ends,^{182, 250, 280} concerns about implementation²⁹¹ and provider training needs,¹⁹⁶ and the quality of audio/video.^{250, 290} Most data in both qualitative studies and surveys were collected from a U.S. population, and about half of the included qualitative and survey studies evaluated video visits (Appendix C, Results C.5). There were no surveys that collected data on digital literacy from a provider perspective.

We have high confidence that providers feel that technical issues can negatively impact access to care across specialty areas. We had only minor concerns regarding data collection, accuracy, transparency, and analysis. Additionally, there is overall heterogeneity of the populations studied (Appendix C, Results C.6; Appendix D, Evidence Table D.22; Table 18). Information collected via surveys support this conclusion.

3.4.2.2.8. Appropriateness of Fit

We identified five qualitative studies that assessed appropriateness of fit (i.e., whether telehealth is a good fit for end users based on abilities and understanding) of telehealth from the provider perspective. Providers described the fit of telehealth modalities (i.e., phone and video) as variable, depending on the patient.²⁰² In all, providers noted that telehealth is appropriate for some patients but not all.^{182, 196} Decisions for which patients should receive alternative consultations, telehealth versus face-to-face, were based on three main considerations: (1) minimization of risk, (2) adherence to guidelines, and (3) preference for face-to-face consultations.¹⁹¹ Providers felt that some patient groups, such as Indigenous people, simply did not like the idea of video interactions.²⁶⁴

There were no surveys that collected data on appropriateness of fit from a provider perspective.

We have high confidence that telehealth can be used appropriately, as long as alternative delivery of care is considered. We had only minor concerns regarding data collection, accuracy, transparency, and analysis (Appendix C, Results C.6; Appendix D, Evidence Table D.22; Table 18).

3.4.2.2.9. Future Use

Sixteen studies addressed the future use of telehealth services. Some providers reported a strong desire to return to in-person models, which some felt reflected best practices and facilitated peer interaction and support.²⁷² Similarly, many providers stressed the need for flexible modes of delivery based on patient suitability and patient/provider preference, citing a blended/hybrid model as the best approach in the future of care delivery.^{266, 267, 269, 271-274} Providers learned to be proactive and anticipate future challenges and difficulties and plan accordingly to reduce their negative impact.²⁷⁰ Providers suggested the need for information on adapting practice models for assessing patients via telehealth,^{223, 271} integrating EMRs,²¹⁶ and educating and better integrating patients and families/caregivers, which they felt improved over time/with exposure to telehealth.^{216, 223, 267, 268} Increasing insurance coverage for telehealth was noted as a necessary component of successful future use.^{267, 269, 274}

Some providers felt that telemedicine increased work/life balance because telemedicine allowed them greater ability to multi-task, take more breaks, and spend time with family while working from home.^{225, 273} However, physicians also noted that working from home invited more interruptions and pressed the need for clinicians to focus on telehealth sessions and manage their time.^{223, 225, 267} In addition, there were noted social concerns that included feelings of isolation and decreased informal communication with coworkers;²²⁵ providers noted higher levels of exhaustion from telemedicine sessions²⁷³ and stressed that future use is best suited in environments where there are adequate numbers of direct service providers to deliver quality telehealth.²¹⁰

Successful future implementation relies on ensuring adequate staffing and time for virtual appointments.^{272, 275} One study noted that a threat to long-term sustainability was that several new and expanded programs did not have long-term staffing plans.²⁴⁹ Also, making sure that community interventions (such as Wi-Fi enhancers and universal broadband access) and education/training were implemented to ensure improved quality of and access to telehealth visits, especially for underserved populations.^{216, 223, 267, 276} There were also concerns about the lack of legal protections for those conducting appointments via telehealth.²⁷⁴ In addition, the cost of telehealth software was perceived as a barrier to future implementation of telehealth services.²¹⁰ This was a new theme identified during the update for our review; we did not include surveys for the update.

We have high confidence that telehealth can be used in the future, as long as hybrid models are available based on patient preference and appropriateness of telehealth for certain conditions. We had minor to very minor concerns regarding data collection, accuracy, transparency, and analysis (Appendix C, Results C.6; Appendix D, Evidence Table D.22; Table 18).

3.4.2.2.10. Preparedness for Future Implementation

Three studies described preparedness for future implementation. "Preparedness" was operationalized to include both available equipment and adequate staff capacity to provide telehealth services.²⁷⁷ Clinics that already used telehealth in their practice, and had adequate resources (i.e., audio-visual technologies and instructional materials and procedures) and infrastructures to support its use, were better able to pivot to increasing telehealth use.^{277, 278} Those who were less well prepared, however, had a more difficult time. One study described attempts to mirror face-to-face appointments from each clinic setting for telehealth services to ease the transition and to ensure successful implementation.²⁷⁸ Institutional support was described as a key facilitator of telehealth implementation.²⁰⁹ The availability of equipment and

the capacity of health professionals and patients to use audio-visual technologies resulted in most participants providing consultations via telephone.²⁷⁷ This was a new theme identified during the update for our review; we did not include surveys for the update.

We have moderate confidence that providers and their practices were prepared for telehealth and its future use. We had no to minor to very minor concerns related to the coherence and relevancy of our findings, and minor concerns regarding adequacy owing to the small sample size. We had moderate concerns about study methodology owing to insufficient information about data collection in all three studies, along with other minor issues (Appendix C, Results Table C.4; Appendix D, Evidence Table D.22; Table 18).

3.4.2.2.11. Changes in Practice

Seven studies described changes in practice necessary to implement telehealth in the future. Negative patient feedback prompted changes to practice models.²⁷⁰ Some regarded telehealth as a positive change¹⁷² but noted that it changed how they typically oriented patients and aligned expectations of therapy.²²³ Another study noted the need to build capacity and repurpose work roles to better integrate telehealth with in-person programs.^{217, 272, 275} To accommodate the changes and workload pressures necessitated by the virtual environment, practitioners described adaptations necessary to creating structure in their day to help mediate "Zoom fatigue" – these tactics included going for walks, taking lunch breaks, or even pretending to "go home" to help separate work from personal life.^{217, 223} In addition, providers described the need to align patients' expectations of the telehealth environment, noting that when they were not on time, some patients left the videoconference.²⁰⁸ There were noted challenges with ensuring providers met appointment times.²⁰⁸ This was a new theme identified during the update for our review; we did not include surveys for the update.

We have high confidence that providers and their practices regard telehealth positively and that it necessitated needed changes in workflow and patient care. We had no to very minor concerns related to the coherence and relevancy of our findings, and minor concerns regarding adequacy owing to inconsistent findings. We had minor concerns about study methodology owing to insufficient information about data collection in most studies, along with other minor issues (Appendix C, Results Table C.6; Appendix D, Evidence Table D.22; Table 18).

3.4.2.3. Other Populations' Perspectives of Barriers and Facilitators to Telehealth

3.4.2.3.1. Telehealth Literacy

One qualitative study of providers, patients, and caregivers recommended making telehealth platforms more amenable to older populations and those with cognitive impairments.²⁹²

Two surveys of patient/caregiver groups reported that telehealth was acceptable, they felt comfortable with the technology,²⁹³ and they experienced little to no difficulty with the telehealth platforms.²⁹⁴

3.4.2.3.2. Cost

No qualitative studies or surveys described cost from the perspective of other or mixed populations as a barrier or a facilitator to telehealth.

There were no surveys in other populations that addressed costs.

3.4.2.3.3. Privacy

No qualitative studies or surveys described privacy from the perspective of other or mixed groups as a barrier or a facilitator to telehealth.

There were no surveys in other populations that addressed privacy.

3.4.2.3.4. Health Outcomes

Five qualitative studies described health outcomes of telehealth from combined populations of patients, caregivers, and/or providers. For physical assessments via telehealth, groups reported issues with establishing continuity of care, the physical setting, focusing on available resources, the location of the care provider or child, and potential risks in the patient's physical environment.^{233, 292} Concerns about the lack of physical exam/interaction were echoed by caregivers.²⁹⁵ Other concerns that emerged in provider and patient interviews included the logistics of the appointment²⁹⁶ and the need to confront new roles and workloads.²⁹⁷ Suggested facilitators included using a piecemeal approach to virtual care, which allowed providers to act rapidly and provided the flexibility needed for providers to select technologies based on their needs when technical challenges occurred.²⁹⁷ Another suggestion from patient/provider/caregiver perspectives was that tele-rehabilitation could be integrated as part of a hybrid delivery package, after initial visits are (ideally) home visits.²⁹²

There were no surveys in other populations that addressed health outcomes.

3.4.2.3.5. Communication

Six qualitative studies described communication from a combination of perspectives. Groups noted limitations of the virtual environment that prevent in-person evaluations, such as a physical exam or biological testing.^{244, 292, 298} Other difficulties were described as hearing difficulties, language barriers, and technical issues.²⁹⁶ Distractions in the home environment were also noted.²⁹⁸ Some patients were not able to engage during telehealth visits owing to sleeping, personal issues, or not being physically and emotionally available.²⁹⁹ Patients and caregivers expressed concerns about the maintenance of boundaries between patients and providers and between work/non-work hours.²³³

Two surveys of patient/caregiver groups reported that telehealth improved communication with their healthcare provider.^{300, 301}

3.4.2.3.6. Access

Nine qualitative studies described perspectives related to access from mixed study populations. Telehealth may be a means to improve equity/expand access, but it comes with technical difficulties.^{298, 302} One critical barrier was the "paradoxical impact" on inequities, whereby virtual technologies could improve the distribution of healthcare services for those who already have access to healthcare.²⁹⁷ Patient/caregiver interviews noted technological difficulties,^{233, 244, 303} specifically regarding ease of use and learning curves for both therapists and patients;²³³ using tele-rehabilitation would depend on assessment of a person's physical, and digital, ability.²⁹² The telephone was seen as an effective method for obtaining a clinical history, but video appointments were necessary for examination of wounds; the overall preference was for an in-person evaluation.³⁰⁴ Review of patient medical records also highlighted technical difficulties accessing services, including "technicality," "engagement," and "scheduling," or not specified.²⁹⁹ The barrier of scheduling issues was echoed in patient medical records, revealing that patient/caregivers who had other scheduled or unscheduled events, sometimes

forgot the appointment or had conflicts.²⁹⁹ One study from the patient/caregiver perspective highlighted challenges using the online system.³⁰⁵ Telehealth worked better for some patients if a caregiver was present to facilitate/support video calling.²⁹² Staff and patients chose the telephone as an easy and accessible platform for communicating and did not consider that there was any added benefit from having a video function.²⁰⁶

Two surveys of patient/caregiver groups reported that they had no problems accessing telehealth and, further, described telehealth as easy to use.^{301, 306}

3.4.3. Satisfaction and Dissatisfaction With Telehealth

3.4.3.1. Patient Perspective of Satisfaction and Dissatisfaction With Telehealth

3.4.3.1.1. Ease of Use

Five qualitative studies described satisfaction with ease of use of telehealth from the patient perspective. Patients noted the convenience of telehealth^{159, 289, 307} and felt that telehealth appointments increased appointment flow²⁸⁹ and provided better access.³⁰⁷ "A further aspect to consider when evaluating the satisfaction with telehealth in this study is that many patients were grateful to receive care during the COVID-19 pandemic and considered telehealth to be the safest and only option."¹⁴² In addition, a mixed-model clinic structure (i.e., telehealth and face-to-face clinic provided simultaneously) was reported as ideal, as long as patients were able to see a doctor if their condition deteriorated, as well as annually/biannually for examination and 'check[ing]-in.'¹⁴² However, one group of patients expressed concerns about the necessity of having a quiet home environment, free of distractions, or any other factors preventing them from learning or performing the self-administered tasks/treatments.¹⁵⁶

Ten surveys described satisfaction or dissatisfaction with ease of use of telehealth.^{149, 181, 184, 279, 302, 308-312} A common theme across surveys was patients noting that telehealth was convenient.^{184, 279, 308, 310} Another theme was ease of scheduling, set up, and use of the systems for healthcare.^{149, 309, 311, 312} One study reported that patients found it very difficult to set up a telehealth appointment¹⁸¹ and another cited distractions in the home environment as an impediment to use.³⁰² The survey and qualitative data were similar in that half of the included studies were U.S.-based, otherwise they were not similar in terms of mode of telehealth delivery, patient condition, or timing of the study (Appendix C, Results Table C.7).

We have moderate confidence that patients are satisfied with the ease of use of telehealth. Our confidence is limited owing to insufficient detail related to data collection and analysis and limited discussions of satisfaction in three of the five studies (Appendix C, Results Table C.8; Appendix D, Evidence Table D.22; Table 19). Information collected via surveys supports the findings that patients find telehealth easy to use.

Summary of Review Findings	Studies, N	Methodological Limitations (CASP Rating)	Coherence	Adequacy	Relevance	CERQual Assessment
Ease of use: Patients find telehealth easy to use.	5 ^{142, 156, 159, 289, 307}	Minor (satisfaction) to moderate (dissatisfaction) concerns	No or very minor concerns	Moderate concerns	No or very minor concerns	Moderate confidence
Access: Telehealth facilitates access to care, but patients have some privacy concerns.	9 138, 140, 144, 155, 160, 175, 213, 313, 314	Minor (satisfaction and dissatisfaction) concerns	No or very minor concerns	Minor concerns	No or very minor	Moderate confidence
Health Outcomes : Patients perceive telehealth as beneficial to their health outcomes.	11 ^{138, 147, 156, 161, 163, 165, 173, 174, 315-317}	Minor concerns	No or very minor concerns	Minor concerns	No or very minor concerns	High confidence
Communication : Patients are satisfied with telehealth and its impacts on communication, but noted some concerns about it along with some suggestions for improvement.	12 ^{140, 144, 152, 156, 159, 160, 315, 318-322}	Moderate (satisfaction) to minor (dissatisfaction) concerns	No or very minor concerns	Moderate concerns	No or very minor concerns	Moderate confidence
Privacy : Patients have concerns related to privacy issues and telehealth.	9 138, 163, 169, 174, 320, 323-325	Minor concerns	No or very minor concerns	Minor concerns	No or very minor concerns	High confidence
Benefits : Patients report general satisfaction and benefits of telehealth.	13 ^{144, 145, 150, 152, 154, 155, 159, 166, 307, 313, 315, 326, 327}	Minor concerns	No or very minor concerns	Moderate concerns	No or very minor concerns	Moderate confidence
Preferences : In general, patients prefer face-to-face visits with their healthcare provider, but noted that telehealth was more convenient and may be better suited for some forms of care.	10 ^{143, 146, 152, 159, 166, 289, 307, 321, 328, 329}	Minor concerns	No or very minor concerns	Minor concerns	Minor concerns	High confidence

Table 19. Summary of the evidence for patient satisfaction and dissatisfaction (N=30)

Summary of Review Findings	Studies, N	Methodological Limitations (CASP Rating)	Coherence	Adequacy	Relevance	CERQual Assessment
Concerns : Patients have concerns about telehealth use for complex care. They also have concerns about setup, and the lack of personal care via telehealth.	5137, 166, 307, 315, 327	Minor concerns	No or very minor concerns	Moderate concerns	No or very minor concerns	Moderate confidence
Suggestions : Patients feel that trust and developing rapport with providers is beneficial to telehealth.	4 ^{139, 156, 159, 174}	Minor concerns	No or very minor concerns	Serious concerns	No or very minor concerns	Low confidence

CASP = Critical Appraisal Skills Programme; CERQual = Confidence in the Evidence from Reviews of Qualitative Research.

3.4.3.1.2. Access

Five qualitative studies described satisfaction with access to telehealth from the patient perspective. Patients noted telehealth as a convenient method for accessing care.^{144, 313, 330} Access to care (i.e., attendance and engagement), especially for those who might be unable to travel to appointments, was facilitated by telehealth.³³⁰ When discussing access, patients also raised concerns about ethical issues, for which patient consent to use personal data and closed/password-protected online sessions were recommended to prevent uninvited interruptions.¹⁶⁰ Suggestions for what would be helpful included simplifying the process of connecting to the virtual platform and improving Wi-Fi connectivity issues.¹⁴⁰ Additional concerns regarding appointment scheduling were discovered in studies conducted later in the COVID-19 era. Patient portals for scheduling were cited as an issue,²¹³ as well as portals for access to the clinicians: for instance, difficulty with the portal and video conferencing;^{138, 175} and administrative "gate-keeping," where clinical support staff prevented contact with the providers.^{213, 314}

Five surveys described satisfaction with access to telehealth.^{142, 176, 179, 239, 331} Satisfaction was rated for convenience and ease of access to care^{179, 239, 331, 332} and a desire to continue to use telehealth for care.¹⁴² Study populations in the qualitative studies and surveys were not comparable except for mode of telehealth delivery; both the qualitative studies and surveys collected information primarily from patients who received telehealth via video (Appendix C, Results Table C.7).

We have moderate confidence that patients express both satisfaction and dissatisfaction with access to telehealth care. There was a lack of detail about data collection and analyses in more than half of the studies, reducing our confidence in the findings (Appendix C, Results Table C.8; Appendix D, Evidence Table D.22; Table 19). The survey data support the finding that patients were satisfied with telehealth as a convenient way to access care; there were no survey data that recorded concerns about access.

3.4.3.1.3. Health Outcomes

Eleven qualitative studies described satisfaction with health outcomes associated with telehealth from the patient perspective. Patients generally described telehealth as positively impacting patient convenience and the overall experience.¹⁴⁷ In one study, attendance was high and all parents stated that overall satisfaction with care was high; more than 90 percent of respondents reported satisfaction with telehealth consults and 100 percent reported satisfaction with treatment procedures via telehealth.³¹⁵ Other studies cited satisfaction about the relaxed atmosphere of telehealth;³¹⁶ and, in a study on exercise, the participants believed telehealth to be instrumental in their continuation of physical activity during the COVID-19 era.¹⁶³ Online integrative oncology treatment was identified by patients to have beneficial effects that included increased feelings of caring, containment, support, calm, and empowerment.¹⁵⁶

Challenges and dissatisfaction were noted in obstetrics and gynecology, specifically regarding pregnancy: patients felt that their health concerns were not adequately addressed during telehealth visits, and there was an overall sentiment that telehealth was inappropriate for this population.^{165, 173}

Four surveys identified satisfaction or dissatisfaction with telehealth's impact on health outcomes.^{179, 333-335} Patients felt safer seeing their providers remotely³³³ and noted that they believed that the telehealth visit helped with their reported complaints. Patients also noted that

they felt that a face-to-face exam would have been better, citing blood pressure cuffs and Doppler imaging as examples of things that would improve their care and outcomes.^{179, 335} Qualitative data on oncology patients were collected in three studies taking place in three different countries; survey data were also collected in multiple countries, otherwise they were not similar in terms of mode of telehealth delivery, patient condition, or timing of the study (Appendix C, Results Table C.7).

We have high confidence that patients are satisfied with the health outcomes from telehealth and find that it is beneficial to their overall care and receipt of treatment procedures. Our limited concerns are owing to insufficient data provided about data collection and analysis; however, sufficient descriptions of outcomes had a strong impact on our confidence. (Appendix C, Results Table C.8; Appendix D, Evidence Table D.22; Table 19). In general, the survey data agreed with the qualitative data. However, two surveys noted that face-to-face interactions would have been better for recording blood pressure or Doppler readings and could have improved outcomes in ways telehealth could not.

3.4.3.1.4. Communication

Nine qualitative studies described satisfaction with communication associated with telehealth from the patient perspective. Patients noted being satisfied with having access to see and discuss their health concerns with a telehealth nurse, whom they appreciated being the same telehealth nurse for each visit.¹⁴⁰ This same group of patients perceived greater accessibility in scheduling visits.¹⁴⁰ Other patient groups responded that the telehealth platform facilitated building and maintaining relationships between family and healthcare providers,³¹⁸ resulting in retained independence and social connectedness throughout the COVID-19 pandemic,³¹⁹ as well as maintaining ongoing treatment discussions when patients were not able to go to the office in person.¹⁵⁶ Some patients felt that telehealth was comparable to in-patient visits and that appointments were less rushed.¹⁴⁴ In addition, being at home provided an added layer of comfort and safety,^{144, 336} and the platform allowed them to ask more questions.¹⁴⁴ Patients with specific healthcare needs (e.g., prostate check, intrauterine device removal) required in-person examination and care, resulting in increased peace-of-mind and confidence.¹⁵⁹ Among a group of patients completing group teletherapy, participants preferred to have at least one in-person meeting to meet other patients and build relationships.³²² Patients were generally understanding of the limitations resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic and the necessity to transition to an online platform, which they felt facilitated building and maintaining relationships/rapport.¹⁶⁰

Several challenges in communicating via telehealth platforms were noted in three studies. Patients noted difficulties with masks and telehealth,³¹⁵ difficulty hearing one another properly,¹⁶⁰ and challenges with scheduling followups and other future appointments.³¹⁵

To support and enhance communication, patients suggested user-centered technical features that included interactivity, were visually instructive and informative, and allowed connectivity through messaging.³²¹ Other recommendations included using secure e-mail and video methods that facilitate remote connectivity and communication.¹⁵²

More surveys than qualitative studies collected data on satisfaction and dissatisfaction with communication $(N=19)^{140, 142, 148, 149, 181, 184, 185, 239, 279, 304, 309, 312, 315, 329, 334, 337-340}$. Overall, patients expressed satisfaction with provider/staff understanding of patient concerns, ^{148, 181, 184, 239, 337, 338, 340-342} and they also felt their needs were being met in the telehealth exams. ^{148, 181, 184, 343} Patients also noted that telehealth did not negatively impact their satisfaction with treatment explanation ^{149, 181, 312, 315, 334} or overall experience. ^{140, 185, 339} Although, in general, patients noted

satisfaction with telehealth and did not note much difference between telehealth and in-person visits,^{142, 304, 329} one study found the opposite position among surveyed patients.¹⁴² Most of the surveys were conducted early in the era of COVID-19, whereas qualitative data were collected more commonly during the general period of COVID-19. Both qualitative studies and surveys were conducted in multiple countries, otherwise they were not similar in terms of mode of telehealth delivery, patient condition, or timing of the study (Appendix C, Results Table C.7).

We have moderate confidence that patients are satisfied with telehealth and its impacts on communication. Our concerns are owing to the lack of sufficiency of detail across studies regarding data collection and analyses. We are also concerned about the sufficiency of discussion about communication as it applies to telehealth (Appendix C, Results Table C.8; Appendix D, Evidence Table D.22; Table 19). The survey data support the findings of the qualitative studies in reference to satisfaction. While the qualitative studies found some dissatisfaction with communication via telehealth, a single survey noted that telehealth limited patient communication with their providers.

3.4.3.1.5. Privacy

Eight qualitative studies addressed patient satisfaction with privacy in telehealth. Two studies found that patients were satisfied with telehealth and privacy; one study of adolescents³⁴⁴ demonstrated that patients 13 years and older liked the ability to access their patient portals, and another of adults¹⁶³ taking online exercise courses were less self-conscious in their groups. Two studies were neutral about any privacy issues that may exist during telehealth.^{169, 325} Five studies noted general dissatisfaction with telehealth privacy: patients perceived telephone counseling as more impersonal compared with in-person evaluations and noted inadequate privacy in the home environment to receive counseling services.³³⁶ Three studies gathered information pointing to lack of safety and privacy in the home environment.^{138, 174, 323} Finally, one study noted concerns about telehealth and privacy of information about self-harm and suicide.³²⁴

Three surveys addressed privacy as a measure of satisfaction among patients.^{142, 340, 345} Across these three surveys, patients noted that they felt that their privacy was protected during telehealth consultations. These surveys and qualitative studies are not comparable: the qualitative study took place in the United States via telephone-only administration of telehealth in an opioid treatment population later in the COVID-19 era, whereas the surveys were conducted in multiple countries with mixed modes of telehealth delivery (Appendix C, Results Table C.7).

We have high confidence that patients express both dissatisfaction and satisfaction related to privacy and telehealth. We had only minor concerns with the evidence owing to the lack of sufficiency of detail across studies regarding data collection and analyses (Appendix C, Results Table C.8; Appendix D, Evidence Table D.22; Table 19). The survey data do not support the finding that patients are dissatisfied or concerned about privacy issues with telehealth.

3.4.3.1.6. Benefits

Thirteen qualitative studies described patient-perceived benefits of telehealth. Telehealth was positively received by many patients,^{155, 315} especially as it provided a safe and contact-free alternative throughout the COVID-19 pandemic,³⁰⁷ which enabled continuity of care.^{145, 152, 159, 326, 327} Although some patients were skeptical of the quality of telehealth visits, especially for evaluations requiring physical assessment (e.g., eye exams), others were very satisfied and felt that the telehealth appointment was just as good as in-person, with the added benefits of convenience and ease of use.^{152, 166, 313} Telehealth was perceived to facilitate increased levels of

communication, which translated into personalized care and positive health impacts.¹⁴⁵ Patients also reported benefits of telehealth that included reduced hassle, time, and costs associated with traveling to appointments.³²⁶ Other patients described a positive experience associated with telehealth¹⁵⁴ and telephone consultations,¹⁵⁰ rating the experience as good as in-person care, especially in regards to communication, building rapport, and sharing information.^{145, 150} Patients reported being satisfied and having their needs met, stating they would likely choose telehealth over an in-person visit.¹⁴⁴

There were no surveys that collected data about telehealth in the context of patient satisfaction as a benefit.

We have moderate confidence that patients are satisfied with telehealth and express their satisfaction by describing benefits. Our concerns are owing to a lack of information related to data collection and analyses. Further, discussions about the benefits of telehealth were only moderately described (Appendix C, Results Table C.8; Appendix D, Evidence Table D.22; Table 19).

3.4.3.1.7. Preferences

Ten qualitative studies described patients' preferences regarding telehealth. Although patients described similarities between telehealth and in-person appointments,²⁸⁹ the preference was for face-to-face, in-person appointments.^{152, 166, 289} Patients felt that in-person evaluation facilitated easier conversations with providers, enhancing rapport.¹⁵² In addition, preferences for telehealth versus in-person evaluations were typically based on the health issues patients were presenting with (including severity of symptoms, likelihood of needing a physical exam, and whether they felt that they could explain themselves more clearly in-person).^{159, 307} in addition to the benefits provided by a virtual appointment (e.g., convenience and efficiency).¹⁵² This was especially true for patients who thought telehealth appointments were the best environment for discussing personal health problems.³⁰⁷ Video consultations were seen as more acceptable and were better received than telephone consultations;^{289, 307} however, the latter were preferred over video appointments in the case of a short followup appointment.¹⁴³ Patients were apprehensive about the legitimacy of telehealth³²⁸ but were grateful for the added safety in light of the COVID-19 pandemic.¹⁴⁶ In addition, patients expressed that telehealth was not well-suited for all groups, such as those who had recently undergone major surgery.³²⁹ Some felt that telehealth was acceptable after an initial, in-person evaluation³⁰⁷ and that an established relationship between patient and provider was critical.¹⁶⁶ Other patient groups felt that telehealth was especially useful for triaging patients to in-person evaluation.^{143, 166} Patients preferred telehealth appointments that were less than one hour in length, to limit the tiring effect of looking at the computer screen.¹⁴⁶ In one study, patients expressed wanting some customizable functionalities that encourage greater engagement and accountability.³²¹

There were no surveys that collected data about telehealth in the context of preferences impacting patient satisfaction.

We have high confidence that, in general, patients prefer face-to-face visits with their healthcare provider but noted that telehealth was more convenient and may be better suited for some forms of care. We had minor concerns about data collection and analyses, but descriptions of preferences were thorough across the included studies (Appendix C, Results Table C.8; Appendix D, Evidence Table D.22; Table 19).

3.4.3.1.8. Concerns

Five qualitative studies described patients' concerns about telehealth. Patients described the challenges in conducting a telehealth appointment in view of complex care needs;¹³⁷ some had anxiety and skepticism regarding telehealth and setup¹⁶⁶ and others stated a reduced confidence in providers.¹³⁷ There were some sentiments that telehealth appointments were less personal than in-person appointments with physical exams.³⁰⁷ Patients sometimes found communication challenging, reporting difficulties hearing and challenges with followups and scheduling future appointments.³¹⁵ In addition, the use of telehealth was less common when obtaining specialist care, which often required in-person evaluation (e.g., dentistry).³²⁷

There were no surveys that collected data about telehealth in the context of concerns impacting patient satisfaction.

We have moderate confidence that patients have concerns about telehealth use for complex care, as well as concerns about setup and the lack of personal care via telehealth. Our concerns about methodology were primarily about limited findings applicable to satisfaction with telehealth (Appendix C, Results Table C.8; Appendix D, Evidence Table D.22; Table 19).

3.4.3.1.9. Suggestions

Four qualitative studies focused on patient suggestions or facilitators to improve telehealth. In these studies, patients suggested several facilitators for successful implementation. Patients felt that telehealth consultations required mutual trust between the patient and their provider; this was seen as easier to accomplish for preexisting relationships with the healthcare provider, suggesting that developing rapport/relationships with the care team might be challenging for new patients.¹⁵⁹ In one study, many patients reported a beneficial effect of telehealth, including a sense of caring and support, feeling empowered, and feeling that the appointment was calming. Telehealth facilitated patient self-efficacy and involvement in their own care.¹⁵⁶ One study suggested additional training and technical support be provided to patients to better facilitate their telehealth visit,¹³⁹ while another suggested that hybrid models of care be developed to better develop a therapeutic relationship and facilitate interpersonal connections.¹³⁹

There were no surveys that collected data about telehealth in the context of suggestions or facilitators impacting patient satisfaction.

We have low confidence that patients' suggestions of trust development, developing rapport, additional technical support, and hybrid models of care are facilitators to telehealth. We have serious concerns about the detail surrounding data collection, data analysis, and presentation of findings (Appendix C, Results Table C.8; Appendix D, Evidence Table D.22; Table 19).

3.4.3.2. Provider Perspective of Satisfaction and Dissatisfaction With Telehealth

3.4.3.2.1. Ease of Use

Five qualitative studies described provider satisfaction regarding ease of use of telehealth. Providers indicated advantages to telehealth, including that it is more convenient,^{194, 242} provides flexibility and greater access to patients,²⁴² is more efficient in terms of time and utilization of office space,³²⁹ allows for remote work,²⁵⁵ and supports greater inclusion of caregivers.¹⁹⁴ However, this same group of providers felt that, overall, while telehealth works well for their work schedule, there is a lack of internet access in rural settings, and it is a tedious system.¹⁹⁴ To deal with the emergent nature of telehealth, providers reported leveraging existing systems,

especially triage systems, to do the following: assess patient needs, communicate and support care-related decisions, ensure seamless transitions of care, and provide specialized support (e.g., bereavement and grief support services).²⁴¹

Eleven surveys described provider satisfaction or dissatisfaction with ease of use of telehealth. ^{143, 181, 190, 201, 242, 280, 286, 287, 337, 346, 347} Providers noted that telehealth was convenient and easy to use for both their practices and their patients. ^{143, 190, 201, 227, 242, 286, 337, 346} While ease of use was commonly noted, some providers noted that integrating telehealth into current practice was difficult, ²⁸⁶ citing difficulty in coordination and setup. ^{181, 280} Some providers also had difficulty in providing care and noted that consultations were uncomfortable. ^{181, 242, 287, 347} Populations across the qualitative data and survey data were not comparable (Appendix C, Results Table C.9).

We have low confidence that providers are satisfied with telehealth, find it easy to use, more convenient, efficient, and perceive that it provides better access to patients. Our confidence is limited owing to a lack of sufficient details about qualitative methodology, which resulted in an inability to assess rigor. Additionally, there was a lack of detail in descriptions regarding ease of use in three of the five studies (Appendix C, Results Table C.10; Appendix D, Evidence Table D.22; Table 20). The survey data support the qualitative data.

3.4.3.2.2. Access

Four qualitative studies described provider perspectives regarding access to telehealth. Providers noted being generally satisfied with the telehealth platform, stating that telehealth provides benefits to both staff and patients.²²⁹ Perceived benefits to patients included patients not having to travel, find parking, or sit in waiting rooms, providing a level of convenience not comparable to in-person visits.^{189, 286} Providers noted that some patients are not well served by telehealth, such as those who are more difficult to reach and engage via telehealth (e.g., patients with mental health conditions).²²⁹ Some providers reported issues, for both themselves and their patients, with insufficient technological infrastructure (particularly related to internet connections), describing a lack of sufficient support from the organization to help with software or devices used to access the technology.²³¹ In addition, providers felt that they needed a very user-friendly video call tool to ensure privacy standards are met, in addition to wanting features such as a digital white board, the ability to transfer files securely, and capacity for support group sessions.²³¹

Five surveys described provider satisfaction with access to care.^{143, 179, 340, 348, 349} Surveys gathered information about providers' general satisfaction with access to care via telehealth,^{143, 348, 350} as well as provider impressions that patients can access and use telehealth.^{143, 179} Results from one survey identified dissatisfaction with access as it applies to cost of telehealth to providers.³⁴⁹ Populations across the qualitative data and survey data were not comparable (Appendix C, Results Table C.9).

We have moderate confidence that providers are overall satisfied with telehealth and believe it can increase access to care for patients in terms of travel and time. However, we have the same level of confidence that providers were dissatisfied with telehealth owing to poor infrastructure and difficulty accessing technology for both providers and their patients, potentially limiting long-term implementation. While findings are well described, our confidence is limited owing to inadequate details about qualitative methodology, which limited our ability to address

Table 20. Outlinaly of the evi		Methodological		· • · ·		CERQual
	Number of	Limitations (CASP				Assessment
Summary of Review Findings	Studies	Rating)	Coherence	Adequacy	Relevance	
Ease of use: Many providers	5 ^{194, 241, 242, 255,}	Minor concerns	No or very minor	Moderate concerns	No or very minor	Low confidence
find telehealth easy to use: it is	329	(satisfaction); no or	concerns	(satisfaction);	concerns	
more convenient, efficient, and		very minor concerns		serious concerns		
provides better access to		(dissatisfaction)		(dissatisfaction)		
patients. In some settings (e.g.,						
rural communities that have						
inadequate connectivity),						
telehealth is not as easy to use.						
Access: Providers believe	3 ^{189, 229, 286}	Moderate concerns	No or very minor	Moderate concerns	No or very minor	Moderate
telehealth can increase access		(satisfaction); minor	concerns		concerns	confidence
to care for patients in terms of		concerns				
travel and time. Difficulties were		(dissatisfaction)				
noted by providers, specifically						
poor infrastructure and difficulty						
accessing technology for both						
providers and their patients.						
Health Outcomes: Providers	15 ^{189, 202, 214, 228,}	Minor concerns	No or very minor	Moderate concerns	No or very minor	Moderate
overall were satisfied with	236, 241, 242, 245, 254, 259, 265, 279,		concerns	(satisfaction); minor	concerns	confidence
telehealth's impact on patient	254, 259, 265, 279, 287, 326, 351			concerns		
outcomes. They also provided	287, 520, 551			(dissatisfaction)		
conflicting views about						
telehealth's impact on patient						
outcomes (e.g., accountability). Communication: Telehealth	20202, 214, 219, 230,	Minor concerns	No. on vom casin on	Madavata aspessiva		Moderate
	20102, 211, 219, 250, 231, 234, 236, 242,	winor concerns	No or very minor	Moderate concerns	No or very minor	confidence
can impede provider/patient communication owing to its	245, 255, 257, 259,		concerns		concerns	confidence
impersonal nature.	262, 264, 265, 279,					
impersonal nature.	286, 326, 352, 353					
Benefits: Telehealth is seen as	24 ^{143, 189, 194, 203,}	Minor concerns	No or very minor	Minor concerns	Minor concerns	Moderate
beneficial to patients from the	214, 215, 230, 232,		concerns			confidence
provider perspective. Providers	236, 238, 239, 243,					
also found telehealth beneficial	253, 255, 257-259,					
to their practices because it	263, 286, 287, 354-357					
improved efficiency, capacity,						
and collaboration.						
Preferences: Providers are	16 ^{156, 191, 196, 202,}	Minor concerns	No or very minor	Moderate concerns	Minor concerns	Low confidence
generally satisfied with	203, 206, 215, 218,		concerns			
telehealth, and believe it can	227, 230, 243, 255,					
replace many aspects of in	259, 354, 357, 358					

Table 20. Summary of the evidence for provider satisfaction and dissatisfaction (N=54)

	Number of	Methodological Limitations (CASP				CERQual Assessment
Summary of Review Findings	Studies	Rating)	Coherence	Adequacy	Relevance	
person care, but overtime						
providers noted a need to catch						
up on care put on hold during						
the pandemic.						
Concerns: Providers feel that	17 ^{156, 214, 219, 227,}	Minor concerns	No or very minor	Minor concerns	No or very minor	High confidence
telehealth should not replace	238, 241, 242, 245,		concerns		concerns	-
face-to-face visits; it prevents	258, 259, 262, 279,					
physical exam and telehealth is	286, 356, 357, 359,					
not suited for all types of care.	360					
Provider Suggestions:	11 ^{219, 236, 239, 245,}	Moderate concerns	No or very minor	Moderate concerns	No or very minor	Moderate
Providers felt that telehealth in	253, 257, 286, 351,		concerns		concerns	confidence
combination within person care	353, 357, 361					
should be considered for the						
future.						

CASP = Critical Appraisal Skills Programme; CERQual = Confidence in the Evidence from Reviews of Qualitative Research.

methodologic rigor (Appendix C, Results Table C.10; Appendix D, Evidence Table D.22; Table 20). The survey data support the qualitative data.

3.4.3.2.3. Health Outcomes

Fifteen qualitative studies described provider satisfaction or dissatisfaction with health outcomes of telehealth. Overall, providers described telehealth as increasing accountability,²⁴² improving treatment accuracy and effectiveness,³⁵¹ and increasing efficiency over face-to-face contact.²⁴¹ Providers felt that telehealth was especially useful in triaging patients.²⁵⁹ The virtual environment meant that patients were more likely to keep appointments, ^{189, 326} which resulted in greater compliance,²⁴² increased patient comfort and safety,²⁴² improved therapeutic relationships,²⁴² and overall positive patient experiences.²⁵⁹ Providers noted that using telehealth services negates infection risk in hospital settings³⁵¹ and minimizes the risk of COVID-19 transmission.²⁸⁷ Others noted positive outcomes that included opportunities for patients to learn treatment skills for use in home settings²²⁸ and opportunities for providers to gain additional information about the patient: for instance, a registered dietician may be able to "look into" a patient's refrigerator/pantry to understand home environment and diet.¹⁸⁹ One study reported that providers perceived that telehealth interactions resulted in increased focus on the topic, conciseness of the appointment, and an increased length of assessment; however, telehealth also resulted in less time or opportunity to manage all of the information.²⁶⁵ Providers felt more control over their schedules and a slowed pace, resulting in more peaceful and relaxing interactions with patients.²¹⁴

When discussing negative outcomes associated with telehealth, providers described challenges delivering treatment protocols via telehealth,²²⁸ including a lack of physical exam,²³⁶, ²⁵⁹ which complicated their ability to diagnose and treat certain conditions.²³⁶ This negatively impacted both the quality^{202, 254} and continuity of care²⁴⁵ and represented reduced accountability.²⁴² One example of this was unsupervised exercise and incorrect technique.²⁷⁹

Twelve surveys identified satisfaction or disatisfaction with telehealth's impact on health outcomes.^{179, 181, 219, 230, 242, 283, 284, 286, 304, 348, 355, 358} Providers noted that telehealth added value to treatment, in general,^{286, 304} and particularly during couple's therapy.³⁵⁵ Further, providers expressed confidence that diagnoses were accurate, client concerns were addressed, and equality of telehealth were equivalent to in-person care.^{181, 242, 358} Contrary to those perceptions, some providers noted that they felt examinations suffered from lack of physical contact and the possibility to miss signs/indications of illness.^{179, 242, 284, 348} Providers did not notice a lower frequency of no-shows to therapy appointments,²³⁰ and did not observe positive patient outcomes compared with face-to-face care.^{219, 283} Populations across the qualitative studies and surveys were not comparable (Appendix C, Results Table C.9).

We have moderate confidence that providers were both satisfied and dissatisfied with telehealth's impact on patient outcomes. Providers provided conflicting thoughts about accountability and treatment accuracy. Our confidence is limited owing to a lack of details about qualitative methodology, along with inadequate detail about outcomes in four of the 15 included studies (Appendix C, Results Table C.10; Appendix D, Evidence Table D.22; Table 20). The survey data support the qualitative data.

3.4.3.2.4. Communication

Twenty qualitative studies described communication via telehealth from the provider perspective. Some providers felt that telehealth facilitated conversations with and increased

engagement of patients.^{214, 230, 242, 279} While providers agreed that clear, concise, and definitive communication was instrumental to efficient care and maintaining morale (of both staff and patients), the evolving nature of the COVID-19 pandemic made such definitive communication challenging.²⁵⁷ Providers perceived telephone conversations as more "business like," enabling greater ability to run their clinic.²⁵⁹ Providers also discussed feeling more comfortable refusing patient requests during telehealth visits²³⁶ and sometimes used apps to draw attention to important aspects related to disease or treatment.²⁸⁶

Conducting services via telehealth, especially for those providing mental health services, made building rapport with patients more difficult,^{214, 219, 231, 242, 255, 259} which reduced the patient experience and resulted in an impersonal experience.²⁴² Telehealth may be challenging for long, in-depth sessions²⁵⁵ for new patients or those who require a more thorough exam.^{202, 259} Providers noted the lack of personal connection and touch,²³⁶ the inability to fully assess patient status²⁰² and provide a hands-on physical examination,²⁴⁵ and communication difficulties owing to sensory impairment, inadequate equipment, and uneven connectivity (e.g., in rural communities).²⁶² Further, providers noted the inability of the virtual environment to fully support nonverbal communication^{231, 259, 326} or to convey visual cues (especially when using the telephone);²⁶⁴ providers also reported needing to use visual aids.²⁴⁵ These factors were associated with difficulties in providing emotional support for sensitive topics²⁶⁵ and sometimes resulted in providers having to reassure patients that the standard of care would be maintained.³⁵²

To facilitate outreach and assessment, providers described needing to proactively assess high-risk patients, screen for social determinants of health, keep up-to-date records, and consent patients to telehealth early or on admission.³⁵² Further, providers felt that linking primary and secondary care could ease transitions of care.³⁵³ Providers suggested a timely in-person followup visit²⁴⁵ and efforts to build connectedness to counter less frequent in-person connections.³⁵² Other issues noted by providers were poor availability of patients by telephone²⁸⁶ and legal issues, such as the indemnification between the patient and provider, potentially resulting from their virtual interaction.²³⁴ Despite these challenges, once adapted, some providers described being able to spend longer times with each patient and being able to connect well with them.²¹⁴

Twelve surveys identified satisfaction or dissatisfaction with the effect of telehealth on communication.^{181, 198, 201, 219, 242, 284, 288, 333, 362-365} Providers expressed general satisfaction with telehealth as it influences communication.³⁶²⁻³⁶⁵ They noted that telehealth was equivalent to inperson care when establishing rapport and engagement with patients,^{363, 365} and they noted that patients were able to express themselves and understand their conditions during telehealth.^{201, 284, 363} They also noted that their communication was effective^{181, 219} and that their relationship with patients improved.²⁴² Other groups of providers noted the opposite: video counseling was an impediment to communication and patient engagement.^{198, 219, 288, 364} Populations across the qualitative data and survey data were not comparable (Appendix C, Results Table C.9).

We have moderate confidence that providers are dissatisfied with telehealth: it can impede provider/patient communication owing to the impersonal nature. Findings regarding communication are well described, however, our confidence is limited owing to poor reporting of methods, which limited our evaluation of rigor (Appendix C, Results Table C.10; Appendix D, Evidence Table D.22; Table 20). The survey data are partially in agreement with the qualitative studies. While the qualitative studies point to telehealth as an impediment to communication, providers responding to surveys indicated that patients expressed themselves more freely and that telehealth was equivalent to in-person care in establishing rapport. Some

surveys agreed with the qualitative studies in that telehealth was noted as an impediment to communication.

3.4.3.2.5. Benefits

Twenty-four qualitative studies focused on the benefits of telehealth from the provider perspective. Although some providers viewed in-person assessment as superior, telehealth was found to be beneficial and to increase accessibility during the time of limited in-person engagement.^{255, 258} Providers viewed telehealth as a sufficient alternative to in-person evaluation that resulted in risk reduction for patients and providers,^{238, 243, 253, 255, 257} shorter consultation lengths, and narrower gaps between need and demand (although there were concerns about access to services).²⁸⁷ Telehealth was seen as a tool to limit followup interruptions^{259, 354} and to ensure continuity of care and limit COVID-19 exposure.^{194, 203, 215, 354} Telehealth was viewed as inappropriate for new patients.²⁵⁹ Providers in one study noted an increase in remote healthcare delivery and acceptance since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic that they thought was facilitated by the availability of payments, the restructuring of policies to allow telehealth services, and the inclusion of remote consultations in appointment systems.²⁵³

Providers noted numerous benefits associated with video visits, including improvements to efficiency, capacity, and collaboration.²³² With the added value of video to observe visual cues and assess physical status, ^{143, 238, 259} clinical staff members were able to continue to see a full caseload of outpatients during pandemic quarantine.¹⁸⁹ Telehealth appointments were particularly useful to see followup and post-operative patients and to more accurately triage and consult new referrals.²³⁹ Telehealth resulted in improved efficiency,^{232, 259} although not for all patient populations, such as patients requiring in-person assessment.^{230, 354} Noted benefits included continuation of services, increased availability, increased caregiver involvement, comfort of being at home, safety from COVID-19 exposure, increased flexibility, decreased travel time, preferred modality for some patients, and the integration of technology.²⁵⁸ Other noted benefits included more frequent use of telephone consultations,²⁸⁶ increased ability to collaborate,²¹⁴ and convenience of and increased access to medical and counseling services.²⁶³ Also noted were increased ability to schedule appointments, the ability of patients to do more at home, and reduced barriers to telehealth use and care.³⁵⁷ Primary care visits conducted via telehealth visits tended to be shorter than in-person visits.²³⁶ Providers felt telehealth provided comparable care while preventing unnecessary travel, in addition to providing increased flexibility and convenience and enhanced connection.²⁸⁶ Providers in one study noted that the home environment promoted stronger therapeutic rapport and connections.³⁵⁵ Providers reported feeling favorably about the ability to work from home, which saved commuting time, increased capacity to see patients more efficiently, and facilitated issues related to childcare.³⁵⁶

There were no surveys that collected data about the satisfaction with benefits of telehealth from the perspective of the provider.

We have moderate confidence that providers are satisfied with telehealth and find it beneficial to patients and providers because it improves efficiency, capacity, and collaboration. Findings regarding benefits are well described; however, our confidence is limited owing to poor reporting of methods, which limited our evaluation of rigor (Appendix C, Results Table C.10; Appendix D, Evidence Table D.22; Table 20).

3.4.3.2.6. Preferences

Sixteen qualitative studies described provider preferences regarding telehealth. There was some preference for in-person assessments;^{255, 358} providers noted being generally satisfied with telehealth^{196, 255, 259} and perceived that patients found telehealth acceptable,^{202, 215} especially once they became familiar with the process.^{156, 218, 357} Providers felt that many components of inperson visits could be accomplished successfully via telehealth, including pain rehabilitation,²²⁷ and that telehealth was especially suitable for patients with less complex care needs.²⁵⁵ Telephone consultations were perceived as suitable for most patients:²⁴³ the telephone was seen as a primary alternative to video, either because it assuaged concerns about technical challenges with video consultations or because the general practitioner already saw most of their patients face-to-face.¹⁹¹ Providers did not feel there was any added benefit from having a video function.²⁰⁶ Other providers felt that telehealth should be a permanent option²³⁰ that could be integrated as a possible complement to in-person visits, reducing patient burden (e.g., travel time).³⁵⁴ As the pandemic waned, preferences for in-person visits replaced some of the initial appeal for telehealth appointments: "There was a strong feeling from respondents that they needed to catch up on concerns that patients had put on hold because they wanted to discuss them in person."²⁰³

There were no surveys that collected data about telehealth in the context of preferences impacting provider satisfaction.

We have low confidence that providers are generally satisfied with telehealth and believe it can replace many aspects of in-person care. Providers noted that, over time, they needed to catch up on care put on hold during the pandemic. Our confidence is limited owing to a lack of details about qualitative methodology, along with inadequate detail about outcomes in 10 of the 16 included studies (Appendix C, Results Table C.10; Appendix D, Evidence Table D.22; Table 20).

3.4.3.2.7. Concerns

Seventeen qualitative studies discussed concerns with telehealth from the provider perspective. Overall, providers noted that, while telehealth was a good alternative, it should not replace in-person, face-to-face visits;^{219, 245, 258, 286, 357} they regarded telehealth as preventing a proper physical examination, necessary especially during initial medical evaluations and ongoing treatment phases.^{227, 259} In addition, providers felt that telehealth appointments are not well suited for all types of care, noting difficulty moving in-person appointments to patients' homes.^{156, 359} While providers were generally dissatisfied with limited face-to-face, in-person contact,^{262, 279} video consultations were seen as "better than nothing."³⁶⁰ Some providers felt that this choice depends on personal preference³⁵⁷ and expressed concerns about working remotely from their personal space.^{279, 357} Others felt that remotely-delivered care resulted in patients relying more heavily on them during off-hours.³⁵⁶ While many issues negatively impacted sustainability of the telehealth model, two primary issues stood out: not being able to conduct a physical exam and technical difficulties.^{238, 245, 258} Providers' acceptance of video visits was similarly challenged by the technology and impact to workflow efficiency and communication.^{241, 245, 258} Providers were concerned about the sufficiency of telehealth in providing a long-term, successful outcome.²²⁷ They worried that patients who are critically ill and need to be seen in-person might fall through the cracks or be scheduled inappropriately for telehealth appointments.²¹⁴ One way providers dealt with this was to request more investigations to clarify questions not answered in the virtual environment owing to the lack of physical examination.²⁵⁹ Some providers felt that more

attention needed to be paid to understand relational processes in effectively communicating with patients via telehealth modalities.²⁴² Many decision moments were present, however there was insufficient information available.²⁸⁶

There were no surveys that collected data about telehealth in the context of concerns impacting provider satisfaction.

We have high confidence that providers had some concerns leading to dissatisfaction of telehealth and felt that it should not replace face-to-face visits, as telehealth precludes physical exams and is not suited for all types of care. Findings regarding benefits are well described across all studies with a small percentage with poor reporting of methods, which limited our evaluation of rigor (Appendix C, Results Table C.10; Appendix D, Evidence Table D.22; Table 20).

3.4.3.2.8. Provider Suggestions

Eleven qualitative studies discussed provider suggestions for implementing telehealth services from the provider perspective. Providers felt that future use of telehealth should be considered in combination with traditional, in-person visits²⁸⁶ to ensure regular and appropriate followup, especially for particular patient populations (e.g., those who live far away from inperson care).³⁵¹ Providers discussed the importance of stimulating the use of eHealth services to ensure successful and wide-spread implementation.³⁵⁷ Providers suggested that organizational readiness, engagement, and leadership are critical for successful telehealth implementation.³⁶¹ Several factors to assess readiness to change and support the implementation of telehealth were suggested: (1) measuring awareness and acceptability among target groups; (2) providing safe, private, comfortable, and context-sensitive environments for patients; and (3) providing sufficient care across modalities.³⁵⁷

At the system level, facilitators to the implementation of telehealth included governmental or organizational supports, such as health reforms or strategies that facilitate the increased acceptance of telehealth services.²⁵³ At the organizational level, providers felt their ability to provide remote services was further enhanced by training and continuing education to achieve acuity in providing services via telehealth.^{219, 353} In addition, access to formal and informal interorganizational networks and recognition of external policies and protocols were highlighted.³⁶¹ Further, providing clinic staff with access to knowledge and information were seen as critical components to promoting provider and staff self-efficacy,³⁶¹ and one study highlighted the need for careful consideration of providers' workflows to avoid work overload and burnout.²³⁶ Regarding the latter, "It became easier when they found ways to introduce clients to the therapeutic frame, send intake forms via e-mail, and speak with their clients about the challenges that come with remote treatment."²¹⁹ Increased resolution of video images facilitated remote physical assessments.²³⁹ To mediate some of these issues, providers suggested: "(1) screen sharing to facilitate patient education and explain imaging results, (2) a waiting room function to replicate "stepping out of the room" when engaging with trainees, (3) a chat box for troubleshooting, (4) file sharing capabilities, (5) screenshot capabilities to support efficient charting, and (6) multi-person teleconferencing to include other members of the multidisciplinary team, interpreters, trainees, and family members in different physical locations."²⁴⁵ Some providers noted that telehealth is here to stay and can no longer be ignored.²⁵⁷ To facilitate its sustainability, remote delivery of care was seen as needing equal payment structures and technological support.²⁸⁶ Social workers in one group noted that access to technology and other

necessary supports facilitated their ability to complete their work, whether remotely or on-site via telehealth.²⁵⁷

There were no surveys that collected data about telehealth in the context of suggestions or facilitators impacting provider satisfaction.

We have moderate confidence that providers are satisfied with telehealth but suggested that telehealth in combination with in-person care should be considered for the future. Our confidence is limited owing to a lack of details about qualitative methodology, along with inadequate detail about outcomes in four of the 11 included studies (Appendix C, Results Table C.10; Appendix D, Evidence Table D.22; Table 20)

3.4.3.3. Other Populations' Perspective of Satisfaction and Dissatisfaction With Telehealth

3.4.3.3.1. Ease of Use

One qualitative study of providers and hospital administrators noted that telehealth improved ease of completing visits.³⁰²

Two surveys of patients and their caregivers addressed ease of use. In one survey the respondents noted that the telehealth equipment worked well and it was easy to speak with the provider,³⁶⁶ and another survey noted some dissatisfaction of the patients and caregivers regarding the instructions for using telehealth.²⁹⁴

3.4.3.3.2. Access

Four qualitative studies of combined populations discussed telehealth access. One caregiver group noted being satisfied with not having to travel to appointments,²⁹⁵ and a group of patient and caregiver respondents noted the convenience of being able to complete testing at home.²⁴⁴ Patients and providers described reduced patient travel time and increased access owing to the ease of scheduling and accessing appointments.²⁹⁸ In another study, nurses and aides identified scenarios such as evaluating poor wound healing, signs and symptoms of infection, weight gain, and respiratory difficulties as issues for which telehealth (via video) would be especially useful.³⁶⁷ In this same study, patients and caregivers cited rashes, incisions, wounds, bleeding, and sore throat as issues for which the platform would be especially useful.³⁶⁷

Two surveys of patients and their caregivers identified positive aspects of access: one study noted that the respondents liked that the challenges of getting to their appointments were eliminated;²⁹⁵ another study noted the following benefits: no time away from work, no travel, and saved time.³⁰⁶

3.4.3.3.3. Health Outcomes

One study with both patients and hospital administrators concluded that telehealth improved patient comfort.³⁰²

There were no surveys that collected data about telehealth from other user groups in the context of impact on outcomes.

3.4.3.3.4. Communication

Four qualitative studies reported data regarding communication from combined populations. In a group of patient and hospital administrators, the majority of respondents felt that telehealth resulted in diminished human connection and rapport, resulting in part from an inability to read non-verbal communication.³⁰² Patients and caregivers in one study noted telehealth as being subpar compared with in-person services, so telehealth was, therefore, not seen as a long-term solution or substitute for pre-COVID-19 era levels of care.³⁶⁸ One caregiver group described being able to receive a good level of care and compassion, even via telephone.³⁶⁹ Another patient/caregiver group provided generally negative feedback, citing technical difficulties (e.g., issues getting connected to the platform, losing internet connectivity), as well as limitations of evaluation within the virtual appointment.²⁴⁴ In most cases, staff and patients chose the telephone as an easy and accessible platform for communicating and did not consider that there was any added benefit from having a video function.²⁰⁶

Three surveys of patients and their caregivers addressed improved communication via telehealth. These groups noted that they were more comfortable about discussing their emotional health via telehealth,³⁷⁰ and they had the impression that providers were caring during the telehealth visit.³⁷¹ Another survey identified overall satisfaction with/ease of communication via telehealth.³⁰¹

3.4.3.3.5. Benefits

In general, users felt satisfied with their telehealth visit in terms of benefits.^{244, 304} Both patient/hospital administration groups,³⁰² as well as patient/caregiver groups,³⁰⁵ noted the overall acceptability of telehealth and felt that it was especially adaptable to the COVID-19 pandemic.²⁹⁵ Joint provider/patient groups described telehealth as a "whole new way of working."³⁷² Patient/caregiver respondent groups were appreciative of clinics providing proactive care immediately after the onset of COVID-19 restrictions,³⁰³ noting that video calling was more valuable than receiving no support at all or only phone consultations.²⁹²

Telehealth was viewed as especially beneficial for certain types of patients, such as those with issues of mobility.³⁷³ Nurses and patients in one study identified a variety of benefits of using telehealth including convenience, saving time and money, and reducing stress.³⁶⁷ Caregivers/parents experienced good or improved communication with providers, highlighting enhanced feelings of connectedness, no waiting time or travel, not having to adjust work schedules/take time off, and not sitting in busy waiting rooms.³⁶⁹ Parent caregivers noted satisfying benefits of gaining time and not having to worry about their child missing school or having behavioral challenges at the hospital, for instance.²⁹⁵

There were no surveys that collected data about general benefits of telehealth from other user groups' perspectives.

3.5. Results for Key Question 4

Key Question 4. What strategies have been used to implement telehealth interventions during the COVID-19 era?

3.5.1. Key Points and Summary

- No study compared implementation strategies for telehealth or provided a detailed description of their own implementation strategy, and fewer than half of the studies used a formal framework to design or evaluate their strategies.
- Acceptability of telehealth services to patients varied considerably by the type of care and setting; for providers, acceptability was influenced by several factors, such as previous experience with telehealth and the type of care provided.
- Adoption of telehealth among patients was variable across clinical settings and patient populations; whereas, adoption was generally accomplished in short timeframes among providers, but this seemed to be significantly affected by prior training in telehealth.
- Feasibility of telehealth was sometimes limited by the availability of telehealth technologies for patients but was generally high among providers.
- Fidelity of telehealth implementation, when measured, was generally positive (i.e., completed rate of the telehealth visits as planned).
- We found insufficient evidence on implementation cost, penetration, and sustainability of telehealth services from the patient and provider perspectives.
- Evidence on a health-system level was lacking for various outcomes of telehealth implementation (e.g., acceptability, adoption, appropriateness, feasibility, sustainability).

We identified 51 studies that assessed implementation of telehealth during the COVID-19 era (Appendix D, Evidence Tables D.23 through D.31). These studies aimed to develop a generalizable methodology to improve telehealth interventions during the COVID-19 era. None of the studies provided detailed descriptions of implementation strategies and only two of them compared strategies and/or patient groups. Only 18 of the studies used a formal and/or validated implementation framework to design and evaluate their implementation strategies (Table 21).

Most studies (N=23; 45.1 percent) were executed during the early COVID-19 era and were conducted in North America (N=37; 72.5 percent), with U.S. studies compromising 29 of those studies. Of the 51 studies, 35 (69 percent) reported using a mix of telephone and video to conduct the telehealth sessions, while 14 (27 percent) did not report details of their approach thus limiting the interpretation of findings.

Author,	Target	Implementation Strategy	Implementation Assessment	Assessment Framework
Year Agarwal , 2021 ³⁷⁴	Participants Patients	Leveraging telehealth to follow up with patients during the acute phase of COVID-19 (typically 14 days from symptom onset) or until they were discharged to community-based care from their primary care provider.	Assessing the adoption, feasibility, and safety of the telehealth services.	Adoption-Feasibility-Safety for early innovation (Proctor et al., 2010) ²⁹
Braune, 2021 ³⁷⁵	Patients	Remotely supporting children with type 1 diabetes and their caregivers during diabetes management.	Increasing the time that these children spend in the optimum glucose range and improving the children's quality of life.	Service Design Methodology ³⁷⁶
Miller, 2021 ³⁷⁷	Patients	Offering telehealth physical therapy in response to COVID-19 within a large urban academic medical center.	Identifying implementation strategies to maintain and scale up long-term telehealth physical therapy.	Reach, Effectiveness, Adoption, Implementation, Maintenance (RE-AIM) ³⁷⁸
Weems 2021 ³⁷⁹	Patients	Implement different virtual caregiver support platforms during the COVID-19 era.	Measure the pragmatic quality improvement project to enhance delivery of virtual support services for alzheimer's disease and related dementias caregivers.	Consolidated Framework for Implementation Research (CFIR) ³⁸⁰
Williams 2022 ³⁸¹	Patients	Rapidly developing and implementing a pain-management program (PMP) in a hospital setting.	Measure improvement qualitatively with frequent and repeated qualitative data collection and quantitatively by patient demographic comparisons.	Model for Improvement Framework (MIF) ³⁸²
Budhwani 2021 ³⁸³	Providers	Implement virtual care for mental health care at an academic ambulatory hospital.	Understand consistent facilitators of and persistent challenges to the use of virtual care and perceived impact on quality of care.	Non-adoption, Abandonment, Scale-up, Spread, and Sustainability (NASSS) ³⁸⁴
Cox, 2021 ³⁸⁵	Providers	Implementing telerehabilitation by community rehabilitation services during COVID-19 era.	Understanding barriers and enablers to the implementation of telerehabilitation with community outpatients during COVID-19 era.	Hybrid Implementation Design (Curran et al., 2012) ³⁸⁶
Lopez , 2021 ³⁸⁷	Providers	Delivering virtual cancer rehabilitation during the first 90 days of the COVID-19 era.	Understand the experiences of patients and healthcare providers who receive and deliver, respectively, virtual care.	Framework for Reporting Adaptations & Modifications-Expanded (FRAME) ³⁷⁸
Mishkind , 2021 ³⁸⁸	Providers	Virtualizing individual therapy and medication management visits for patients with mental health issues.	Assess the clinical outcomes of virtualizing mental health care.	Best practices in videoconferencing-based tele-mental health (Shore et al., 2018) ³⁸⁹
Ouellette , 2021 ³⁹⁰	Providers	Offering virtual care nursing leadership training.	Adapt training goals and content to meet learner needs during training sessions.	Normalization Process Theory ³⁹¹
Reid 2022 ³⁹²	Providers	Rapid implementation of obstetric telemedicine during the COVID-19 era.	Assess the rapid implementation of obstetric telemedicine during the COVID-19 era.	Consolidated Framework for Implementation Research (CFIR) ³⁸⁰

 Table 21. Implementation strategies and assessments with formal assessment frameworks (N=18)

Author, Year	Target Participants	Implementation Strategy	Implementation Assessment	Assessment Framework
Stewart 2022 ³⁹³	Providers	Implement remote asthma consulting in UK general practices.	Evaluate the rapid and reactive implementation of telehealth in general practice in response to the COVID-19 era.	Extended Normalization Process Theory (eNPT) ³⁹⁴
Thomas 2022 ³⁹⁵	Providers	Implement telehealth services across 16 allied health departments over four health service facilities.	Determine the clinician, service, and system level factors that influence sustained use of telehealth.	Non-adoption, Abandonment, Scale-up, Spread, and Sustainability (NASSS) ³⁸⁴
Van Citters 2021 ²⁰⁷	Providers	Implement high-quality telehealth services among cystic fibrosis patients.	Qualitative exploration of facilitators and barriers to telehealth services.	Consolidated Framework for Implementation Research (CFIR) ³⁸⁰
Weiskittle 2022 ³⁹⁶	Providers	Address older adult's social isolation during the COVID-19 era using telehealth.	Survey of geriatric mental health clinicians who used telehealth to address the pandemic's mental health side effects.	Hybrid Type 1 design framework ³⁸⁶
Gilbert 2022 ³⁹⁷	Patients & Providers	Implement virtual consultations in tertiary orthopedic rehabilitation settings.	Measure patient preferences for orthopedic virtual consultation during COVID-19 era.	Normalization Process Theory (NPT) ³⁹⁸
Payan 2022 ³⁹⁹	Patients & Providers	Use telemedicine during the pandemic at federally qualified healthcare centers (FQHCs) with a focus on language service provision.	Examine the patient facilitators and barriers to telemedicine implementation and use in FQHCs with a focus on language barriers.	Consolidated Framework for Implementation Research (CFIR) ³⁸⁰
Ward 2021 ⁴⁰⁰	Patients & Providers	Implementation of a provider-to- provider tele-mental health intervention in unscheduled settings within the Veterans Health Administration (VHA).	Mixed-methods evaluation of an emergency telehealth intervention in unscheduled settings of the VHA.	Reach, Effectiveness, Adoption, Implementation, Maintenance (RE-AIM) ³⁷⁸

RE-AIM: Reach Effectiveness Adoption Implementation Maintenance/sustainment

3.5.2. Patient-Focused Studies

Twenty-five studies enrolled patients as participants to assess implementation strategies of telehealth in the COVID-19 era, with thirteen of these also including healthcare providers (Appendix D, Evidence Table D.24). Seventeen studies included adult patients, only; three studies focused on pediatric patients, only; four studies focused on a mix of adult and pediatric patients; and one study did not report the age group of the patients. Only half of the patient-focused studies (N=12) reported on the race/ethnicity of the patients and reported that 0 percent to 94 percent were White, and 0 percent to 67 percent were Black. Seven of these studies focused on mental health conditions, six studies concentrated on rehabilitation issues, and twelve studies targeted other medical conditions (e.g., obstetrics and gynecology, type 1 diabetes, cancer, orthopedics, Alzheimer's and Parkinson's diseases, and chronic pain). All of the studies, except one, implemented their telehealth intervention as planned. The planned implementation strategies varied from more traditional centralized telehealth services to mobile units offering telehealth services to patients living in rural areas.

3.5.3. Provider-Focused Studies

Thirty-nine studies targeted healthcare providers and health systems to evaluate the effectiveness of implementation strategies for rolling out telehealth services during the COVID-19 era (Appendix D, Evidence Table D.25). Nine studies assessed the feedback on the implementation strategies that were provided by mental health experts, six studies focused on rehabilitation experts, six studies enrolled primary care physicians, 17 studies included other types of specialties (e.g., neurology, obstetrics and gynecology, hepatology, ophthalmology, pediatrics), and one study did not specify the specialty of the providers. Twelve studies were conducted in large regional health systems, 18 studies were performed in single health systems, two studies were limited to specific clinics or centers, and seven studies either missed information on the type of the underlying health systems or included other types of health systems.

3.5.4. Implementation Strategies and Outcomes

Both patient-focused and provider-focused studies adopted a variety of strategies and different approaches/frameworks to assess the outcomes of telehealth implementation. All studies strategized to integrate and/or boost existing telehealth services into their routine clinical practices to minimize the negative effect of the COVID-19 pandemic. However, studies conducted different assessments to measure the effect of the telehealth implementation. The assessments ranged from descriptive statistics, surveys, interviews, to mixed-methods approaches. Only 18 of the studies (Table 22) used a validated assessment framework to measure the success of the implementation outcomes (e.g., Normalized Process Theory; Reach Effectiveness Adoption Implementation Maintenance/sustainment (RE-AIM); Normalization Process Theory). Studies with qualitative components extracted common themes from the patient and/or provider feedback. Overall, the qualitative themes suggested interest by patients in using telehealth services but also revealed potential barriers to the achievement of optimal outcomes of telehealth implementation (Appendix D, Evidence Table D.29).

Implementation Outcome Category	Patient Studies, N (Percent)	Patients, N	Provider or Health System Studies, N (Percent)	Providers, N
Acceptability	20 (80)	10,140	26 (66.7)	1,505
Adoption	17 (68)	371,974	26 (66.7)	965
Appropriateness	18 (72)	2,533	28 (71.8)	1,633
Feasibility	13 (52)	1,290	22 (56.4)	827
Fidelity	3 (12)	245	8 (20.5)	548
Implementation Cost	2 (8)	355	4 (10.3)	216
Penetration	0 (0)	0	3 (7.7)	22
Sustainability	3 (12)	804	9 (23.1)	439

Table 22. Implementation outcome categories covered by Key Question 4 studies (N=51)

3.5.4.1. Types of Implementation Outcomes

In most studies, healthcare systems did not have the time and resources to assess different approaches to telehealth implementation during the COVID-19 era. Indeed, no study evaluated implementation strategies directly, such as through comparison of implementation methods in a controlled study. We have thus described the measures commonly used to assess implementation outcomes and those results. We adopted the categories defined by Proctor et al. (2011) to summarize the implementation outcomes of the studies.²⁹ Implementation outcomes were categorized and then summarized as acceptability, adoption, appropriateness, feasibility, fidelity, implementation cost, penetration, and sustainability (Appendix D, Evidence Tables D.30 and D.31). Acceptability describes the satisfaction among implementation stakeholders (e.g., patients, providers, healthcare organizations) with different aspects of the intervention (e.g., content, delivery). Adoption describes the rates of uptake or use of the intervention by the provider or healthcare organization. Appropriateness refers to the program suitability or compatibility at various levels of stakeholders (e.g., patient, provider, healthcare organization). Feasibility is the practicability of the intervention for everyday use by the providers or healthcare organization. Fidelity refers to the delivery of the intervention as designed. Implementation cost describes the assessment of marginal cost, cost-effectiveness, or cost benefit. Penetration is the degree to which the intervention was institutionalized. *Sustainability* is the continued delivery of the intervention beyond the study period.⁴⁰¹

As Table 22 demonstrates, most studies focused on the acceptability, adoption, appropriateness, and feasibility outcomes of the implementation strategies. Fewer studies focused on fidelity, implementation cost, penetration, or sustainability of the telehealth implementation.

To assess the coverage of different types of implementation outcomes across studies, evidence was grouped using the implementation outcomes defined by Proctor et al. $(2011)^{29}$ (Table 22, and Appendix D, Results Tables D.30 and D.31).

3.5.4.2. Acceptability

3.5.4.2.1. Patients

Patient satisfaction and confidence with telehealth services varied widely by the type of care and setting in which it was delivered. For example, telehealth for services that required physical manipulation were more burdensome on patients and caregivers than telehealth services that did not require physical manipulation (e.g., telerehabilitation versus teleconsultation). However, patients were satisfied if those healthcare interventions were meant to reduce isolation and improve interpersonal connection^{179, 251, 375, 377, 400, 402-408} (Appendix D Table D.30).

3.5.4.2.2. Providers

Several factors appeared to influence provider satisfaction with telehealth services, such as the type of healthcare provided, availability of home health devices, previous experience with telehealth technology, and established workflows^{179, 245, 251, 324, 383, 392, 395, 403, 405, 406, 409-416} (Appendix D Table D.31).

3.5.4.2.3. Patients and Providers

Telehealth interventions that increased access in target patient populations were acceptable to both patients and providers; however, patients and/or providers agreed that healthcare services requiring a physical exam, manipulation of the patient, or equipment for patient assessment were best supplemented with in-person visits^{245, 375, 379, 396, 404, 406, 409, 411, 412, 414, 416-418} (Appendix D Tables D.30 and D.31).

3.5.4.2.4. Health System

No evidence.

3.5.4.3. Adoption

3.5.4.3.1. Patients

Adoption of telehealth services was variable across clinical setting, digital literacy of the patient population, and the urgency with which patients required healthcare services^{251, 374, 375, 377, 379, 397, 399, 402, 406, 419, 420} (Appendix D Table D.30).

3.5.4.3.2. Providers

Adoption of telehealth services was relatively quick among providers; however, the efficiency of adoption depended on prior training of the providers using telehealth services^{245, 251, 278, 290, 324, 383, 385, 387, 388, 392, 395, 400, 406, 414, 421} (Appendix D Table D.31).

3.5.4.3.3. Health System

No evidence.

3.5.4.4. Appropriateness

3.5.4.4.1. Patients

Telehealth showed varying levels of appropriateness across patients. For example, telehealth visits were found to be appropriate for patients requiring timely followups and continuity of care but not suitable for patient populations requiring physical examination, having acute illnesses, or requiring the collection of data from young children^{99, 251, 374, 375, 400, 402, 407, 414, 416, 417, 419} (Appendix D Table D.30).

3.5.4.4.2. Providers

Telehealth was assumed to be mostly appropriate for outpatient visits (e.g., prenatal care, COVID-19 visits); however, those services were found to be not appropriate for specific services (e.g., group therapy, physical examination, or services requiring assistance from a caregiver or participation of young children)^{179, 245, 251, 290, 385, 392, 393, 395, 396, 400, 403, 406, 408, 410, 411, 415, 416, 422, 423} (Appendix D Table D.31).

3.5.4.4.3. Health System

No evidence.

3.5.4.5. Feasibility

3.5.4.5.1. Patients

Feasibility of telehealth services was sometimes limited by technological challenges, lack of privacy, and missing medical equipment (e.g., thermometers, oximeters) at the patient's residence^{99, 374, 381, 397, 400, 402, 414, 415} (Appendix D Table D.30).

3.5.4.5.2. Providers

Telehealth reduced the wait times (backlogs), as well as no-shows, hence increasing workplace flexibility; however, certain visit types took longer than planned (e.g., visits that required moving the camera for physical examination)^{278, 383, 392, 397, 399, 411, 413} (Appendix D Table D.31).

3.5.4.5.3. Health System

No evidence.

3.5.4.6. Fidelity

3.5.4.6.1. Patients

We identified three studies reporting completion of visits by patients^{375, 404, 414} (insufficient evidence).

3.5.4.6.2. Providers

One study discussed the fidelity of visits by providers⁴¹⁶ (insufficient evidence).

3.5.4.6.3. Health System

Various health systems demonstrated the achievement of an acceptable rate of the planned telehealth visits as originally designed, with modest modifications^{179, 245, 387, 388, 397, 423, 424} (Appendix D Table D.31).

3.5.4.7. Implementation Cost and Penetration

3.5.4.7.1. Patients

Two studies calculated the saved costs associated with the receipt of telehealth by patients^{179,}⁴¹⁴ (insufficient evidence). None of the studies assessed the penetration of the implementation strategy across other patient populations.

3.5.4.7.2. Providers

None of the studies focusing on providers calculated the incurred or saved costs associated with telehealth implementation. None of the studies assessed the penetration of the implementation strategy across other providers and/or health systems.

3.5.4.7.3. Health System

No evidence.

3.5.4.8. Sustainability

3.5.4.8.1. Patients and Providers

Sustainability of telehealth services was mostly assessed qualitatively (e.g., intention of patients or providers to use telehealth after the COVID-19 pandemic)^{179, 245, 392, 408, 414} (Appendix D Tables D.30 and D.31).

3.5.4.8.2. Health System

No evidence.

3.5.5. Summary of Findings

As shown in Table 23, we generally have low confidence in our conclusions about the outcomes from telehealth implementation (i.e., low strength of evidence). This was mainly because there were no trials and most studies did not have a comparison or control group, did not apply protection against bias, often did not compare telehealth with routine care, and were frequently single site studies.

Table 23. Summary	of findings for implementation outcomes
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Finding	Outcome Category	Level	Number of Studies	Strength of Evidence
Satisfaction with telehealth services varied by the type of care and setting.	Acceptability	Patient	12 studies ^{179, 251,} 375, 377, 400, 402-408	Moderate
Several driving factors appeared to influence provider satisfaction with telehealth services.	Acceptability	Provider	18 studies ^{179, 245,} 251, 324, 383, 392, 395, 403, 405, 406, 409-416	Low
Telehealth interventions increased access in target patient populations, but some were best supplemented with in-person visits.	Acceptability	Patient & Provider	17 studies ^{245, 375, 379, 396, 404, 406, 409, 411, 412, 414, 416-418}	Low
Adoption of telehealth services was variable across different patient populations.	Adoption	Patient	11 studies ^{251, 374,} 375, 377, 379, 397, 399, 402, 406, 419, 420	Low
Adoption of telehealth services was relatively quick among providers; however, some providers face more challenges than others.	Adoption	Provider	15 studies ²⁴⁵ , 251, 278, 290, 324, 383, 385, 387, 388, 392, 395, 400, 406, 414, 421	Moderate
Telehealth showed varying levels of appropriateness across patients.	Appropriate	Patient	11 studies ^{99, 251,} 374, 375, 400, 402, 407, 414, 416, 417, 419	Low
Telehealth was found to be appropriate by providers for some medical services but not all.	Appropriate	Provider	19 studies 179, 245, 251, 290, 385, 392, 393, 395, 396, 400, 403, 406, 408, 410, 411, 415, 416, 422, 423	Low
Feasibility of telehealth was sometimes affected by technical challenges and lack of privacy at home.	Feasibility	Patient	8 studies ^{99, 374, 381,} 397, 400, 402, 414, 415	Low
Telehealth reduced backlogs and no-shows; however, it lengthened some types of visits.	Feasibility	Provider	7 studies ^{278, 383, 392,} 397, 399, 411, 413	Low
Telehealth services were deployed and completed as originally designed/planned.	Fidelity	Health System	7 studies 179, 245, 387, 388, 397, 423, 424	Low
Patients and providers intend to continue telehealth visits in the future.	Sustainability	Patient & Provider	5 studies ^{179, 245, 392,} 408, 414	Low

4. Discussion

4.1. Findings in Relation to the Decisional Dilemma

We used a mixed-methods review of qualitative and quantitative studies to address the key decisional dilemma for patients, providers, and health systems of *how* to provide telehealth services. To address this question, we sought to identify which telehealth intervention worked for which patient population, in which setting, and through which implementation strategy.

We selected studies that analyzed national databases, with characteristics from millions of telehealth visits, to summarize characteristics of patients, providers, and health systems using telehealth during the COVID-19 era. We found that patients who used telehealth were more likely to be people who are young to middle-aged, female, White, with higher socioeconomic status, and living in urban settings. These are the same user characteristics as those that used healthcare and digital healthcare pre-COVID-19. This finding, along with those from our qualitative synthesis, suggests that, while telehealth may improve access to care, it may be doing so for those who already have access.

We found that telehealth visits for mental and behavioral health conditions were more frequent than for other conditions and were also more likely than other types of care to be delivered via telehealth. Conversely, one of the challenges highlighted in our qualitative synthesis was the dissatisfaction with telehealth in developing rapport, especially for mental health care.

The studies that compared telehealth with in-person care reported a wide range of outcomes, measured in a variety of ways, in patients with a variety of clinical conditions. This limited our ability to draw conclusions and prevented us from making any general statements about the benefits and harms of telehealth. Despite this limitation, we identified several key findings. Patients who receive an initial telehealth visit have lower hospitalization rates compared with those who receive in-person care for general medical conditions. However, among patients who receive COVID-19 care and pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological care, those who receive an initial telehealth visit nates compared with those who receive in-person care for general medical conditions. However, among patients who receive an initial telehealth visit nates compared with those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have higher hospitalization rates compared with those who receive in-person care. Telehealth may be an inadequate mode of care delivery for patients requiring specialized care for complex clinical conditions.

Hospitalization rates for patients who had an initial telehealth visit varied across different clinical conditions; however, in studies that assessed readmission rates, among patients who receive specialized care for COVID-19, pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological, and surgical conditions, those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have similar or lower readmission rates compared with those who receive in-person care. Still, we cannot distinguish the reason for healthcare utilization; patients in the telehealth group may have been less likely to have severe conditions that led to necessary utilization or may have been less likely to seek unnecessary care.

Clinical outcomes were generally similar between telehealth and in-person care; any differences in outcomes between telehealth and in-person care varied by the type of outcome measured. For instance, differences in mortality rates and reported adverse events between telehealth and in-person care were small and/or not clinically meaningful. The small sample sizes and short study followup periods may have resulted in detecting small differences among patients who received an initial telehealth visit compared with those who received in-person visits. Telehealth may be a convenient mode of care delivery for specific clinical conditions, such as weight management, which require fewer interventions by the provider. However, it may be less suitable and less desirable for therapies requiring the development of rapport between

patients and providers and communications between the patient and care team. This finding is consistent with the findings of our qualitative synthesis.

For process outcomes, the difference in missed visits rates between telehealth and in-person care was large and meaningful: patients who received care for specific conditions, acute clinical conditions in particular, in an initial telehealth visit had lower missed visits rates but, conversely, had lower rates of case resolution and a higher rate of duplicated services compared with those who received in-person care. The exception was for patients receiving care for general behavioral and mental health conditions, where those who receive an initial telehealth visit have higher missed visit rates compared with those who receive in-person care. Moreover, for patients who receive care for specific conditions (excluding COVID-19 and pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological care), those who receive an initial telehealth visit may have higher rates of case resolution and a lower rate of duplicated services compared with those who receive in-person care. Lower rates of up-to-date labs and paraclinical assessment, as well as any change in treatment plan or medications, for patients who receive care for specific conditions in an initial telehealth visit suggest that telehealth care may not be an adequate mode of care delivery when care beyond initial assessment of clinical condition is required or when the provider needs to make a decision about the treatment plan or medications. This finding was also seen in our qualitative synthesis and the synthesis of implementation studies; telehealth may not be appropriate for new patients; patients with complex conditions; or those requiring a greater variety of health services, including physical exams.

Our findings regarding outcomes of telehealth differ somewhat from prior research. In a review before the COVID-19 era, the evidence supported the use of telehealth as a way to reduce acute care utilization (e.g., readmissions, length of stay, emergency department (ED) visits).²⁶ In late 2020, the National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA) Taskforce on Telehealth Policy analyzed evidence from several large health systems and payors and found that the use of telehealth, both before and during the COVID-19 pandemic, reduced urgent and ED care, as well as the use of expensive or often overused services, such as imaging.⁴²⁵ We found mixed results on healthcare utilization outcomes, which varied by the clinical condition of the patient.

Similar to the results of systematic reviews of telehealth before the COVID-19 era,¹⁴ we identified general satisfaction, among patients, with telehealth as it addresses barriers to care such as limited mobility, lack of transportation, and living in a rural area. There is a mixed body of evidence on the risk of using telehealth as a substitute for in-person care. A review in the early months of the pandemic identified that telehealth care, when provided in a clinically appropriate manner, did not impact the ability of the provider or care team to obtain clinical information, make an accurate diagnosis, and develop a treatment plan, and that telehealth care produced the same desired clinical outcomes as compared with in-person care.⁴²⁶ In contrast, in our review, we identified many concerns from patients and providers regarding the potential impact of telehealth on increased missed or delayed diagnoses owing to the lack of a physical exam, procedures, labs, and imaging, or the limitations of telehealth communication (owing to technical limitations exacerbated by the lack of visual cues, eye contact, and body language, i.e., nonverbal limitations or language barriers and preferences). Using telehealth in combination with traditional, in-person visits could help to ensure regular and appropriate followups, especially for specific patient populations (e.g., those who live far away from in-person care).

We identified no studies that compared implementation strategies for telehealth or provided a detailed description of their own implementation strategy. Similar to other reviews,⁴²⁷ evidence was lacking on implementation cost, penetration, and sustainability of services and on the

telehealth implementation challenges at the health-system level. On the provider side, telehealth adoption was achieved in a short timeframe but was significantly affected by prior training in telehealth, and acceptability of telehealth care was affected by several factors ranging from previous experience with telehealth technology to the type of care provided. The appropriateness of telehealth care in achieving planned administrative and clinical outcomes was mixed on both patient and provider levels. Feasibility of telehealth care was generally high among providers but was sometimes limited for patients by the availability of telehealth technologies.

4.2. Strengths and Limitations

We performed a comprehensive assessment of the ways to provide telehealth services in relation to patient, provider, and health system characteristics. The assessment included in-depth evaluation of outcomes of care for telehealth in comparison to in-person care. Moreover, our review included a detailed evaluation of benefits and harms, satisfaction and barriers, and facilitators of telehealth from patient and provider perspectives using both quantitative and qualitative evidence.

Studies included in our review had a variety of limitations, including a lack of standard information about details of the telehealth and how it was implemented, which made comparisons across studies challenging. Outcomes of telehealth care were defined widely across different studies and were measured using a variety of assessment approaches. Owing to missing information and variation in outcomes measured, we were unable to conduct any meta-analyses. Few studies specified the telehealth modality (audio or video). One of the major limitations of the evidence base was the lack of a unified approach to assessing the outcomes of telehealth. The heterogeneity of the outcomes reported across different studies and the variety of clinical conditions and patient/provider characteristics limited our ability to synthesize the evidence. The assessment of telehealth effectiveness is multidimensional; therefore, measurement of outcomes of telehealth requires multidimensional approaches.

The standard telehealth quality measures, such as found in reports sponsored by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) and the National Quality Forum, were developed for the pre-COVID-19 era.^{428, 429} Considerations in the development of such measures may not fully apply to the current environment, where telehealth is now one of the dominant care modalities. We are not aware of any validated evaluation frameworks for telehealth, and certainly not for telehealth during the COVID-19 era. Reviewing the pre-COVID-19 era telehealth performance measures and selecting an initial set of process and outcome measures that are appropriate for the circumstances of the COVID-19 era may help to perform assessment studies with generalizable results across different populations.

Furthermore, most of the quantitative studies in this review were at high risk of bias and qualitative studies often lacked rigorous reporting or methods. In addition, a larger portion of the qualitative data was from providers versus patients; very few studies provided the caregiver perspective. Evidence was lacking regarding burden and costs of telehealth care to patients, providers, and health systems, including barriers previously identified, such as limited insurance coverage and regulations regarding jurisdiction of licensure. It was unclear in many studies if potential confounders had been adequately considered. For instance, those accessing telehealth may have different characteristics from those receiving in-person care that influence process outcomes such as adherence (i.e., more likely to be living in urban settings, higher education, etc.). Outcomes of telehealth were often short-term. Long-term sustainability and

implementation issues were not evaluated, which is particularly important as telehealth becomes one of the dominant modes of care delivery.

Our review also had several limitations. Our search was limited to the COVID-19 era, with some limited comparison to pre-COVID-19 era when the comparison was performed as a part of the study design. Despite this limit, our updated search identified more than 200 additional eligible studies, of which 124 were added to the synthesis. Owing to the wide range of available virtual care modalities and settings, we limited our review to telehealth that was provided in a synchronous manner in the outpatient/ambulatory or ED setting, which supported communications between a patient and a provider. Telehealth has been used in other settings, such as for in-patient care and for provider-provider communications. There is also a growing body of evidence on the use of virtual care in asynchronous settings, such as through wearable devices, which was beyond the scope of this review.

To ensure findings were most likely to apply to populations served by the AHRQ Learning Health Systems panel, we limited our review to studies conducted in settings or populations similar to the United States. Nevertheless, the available evidence provides the key insight that the value of telehealth care may take different forms for different users and may not be generalizable for different settings or for different patient and provider populations.

4.3. Implications

In terms of clinical practice and health policy, telehealth has been implemented in a variety of ambulatory care settings, and there is some evidence for effectiveness in a variety of settings and populations. Our review provides some evidence for effectiveness of telehealth as an adequate mode of care delivery when focused care is offered for special clinical conditions among patients who do not have complex clinical conditions or require fewer interventions by the provider (e.g., weight management). Telehealth may be inadequate when care beyond initial assessment of clinical condition is required; among new patients; patients with complex conditions; or those requiring a greater variety of health services, including physical exams.

Telehealth implementation, to some extent, has addressed both patient and provider needs and has provided an alternative mode of care delivery during the COVID-19 era that will continue beyond the pandemic. In order to use telehealth as a stand-alone substitute or in combination with in-person care, it is necessary to develop best practices, including recommendations for different clinical settings and health systems and considerations for clinical conditions and patient populations that would benefit the most. Because telehealth will likely become one of the main modes of care delivery, even after the COVID-19 era, models that integrate telehealth in the traditional care process will be critical. In general, though, the successful integration of telehealth care will have implications for provision of care for patients with different acute and chronic conditions, in ambulatory care and in-patient settings.

In terms of future research, evidence about telehealth would be more useful for practice and policy decisions if the quality of data and studies were better. More specifically, there is a need for a clear definition of telehealth and other modes of virtual care delivery, the context in which the services are implemented, and the usual or alternative models of care used for comparison. Such a unified approach would make comparisons across different studies possible. Furthermore, research needs to be conducted as multisite studies and in different private and public health systems, rather than relying on pre-post data from a single site. With the rapid innovations in the telehealth domain and the expansion of telehealth in clinical practice, it is critical for the research community to focus on identifying the full range of clinical use cases for telehealth, including

types of visits and conditions that are not appropriate for telehealth. Future research is needed on the effectiveness of telehealth for clinical applications with limited prior evidence but rapid expansion during a pandemic (e.g., primary care and pre- and post-surgical visits). Also, the identification of appropriate and clinically important outcomes is critical and needs to replace, or at least augment, the current reliance on easily measured outcomes. More research is needed to perform an economic assessment of telehealth and the impact of telehealth care within alternative payment arrangements (e.g., risk-based arrangements), including rigorous methods to measure and analyze costs. Future research needs to address the evidence gaps on the implementation challenges of telehealth at the health-system level (e.g., technical assistance needs, staffing models), ideally using implementation frameworks, and generate evidence from organizations with varied experiences adopting or expanding telehealth for a range of uses (e.g., from primary to critical care, and post-acute and long-term care) in response to COVID-19.^{14, 427}

4.4. Conclusions

Whereas telehealth use spiked after the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic, the characteristics of patients using telehealth services follow a similar pattern as the use of other healthcare and digital health services, with people who are young to middle-aged, female, White, with higher socioeconomic status, and living in urban settings comprising a higher proportion of telehealth users. We found that the use of telehealth may be comparable to in-person care when followup visits and clinical and process outcomes were assessed. As we transition through the COVID-19 era, telehealth will likely continue to be one of the main modes of care delivery. Thus, models for integrating telehealth with traditional care process become increasingly important and ongoing evaluations of telehealth will be particularly valuable. Our findings suggest a direction for future work and are relevant to policymakers, payors, and practitioners as they manage the use of telehealth during the pandemic and beyond.

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6. List of Acronyms

AHRQ	Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality
CASP	Critical Appraisals Skills Programme
CDC	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
CI	Confidence interval
CPAP	Continuous positive airway pressure
ED	Emergency Department
IDS	Integrated delivery system
IP	Inpatient
IQVIA	IQVIA National Disease and Therapeutic Index
KQ	Key Question
LHS	Learning Health System
NICU	neonatal intensive care unit
OECD	Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development
OP	Outpatien
OR	Odd ration
PICOTS	population, intervention, comparators, outcomes, timing, setting
PRESS	Peer Review of Electronic Search Strategies
RCT	Randomized controlled trial
ROBINS-I	Cochrane Risk of Bias Assessment Tool for Non-Randomized Studies of Interventions
SEADS	Supplemental Evidence and Data for Systematic review
SES	Socioeconomic status
SOE	Strength of evidence
US	United States
VA	Veterans Affairs

Appendix A. Methods

	JbMed search strategy
#	String
1	"Virtual health"[tiab]
2	Telehealth[tiab]
3	Telemedicine[mh]
4	telemedicine[tiab]
5	"mobile health"[tiab]
6	mHealth[tiab]
7	"m-health"[tiab]
8	eHealth[tiab]
9	"e-health"[tiab]
9	"virtual care"[tiab]
10	1 OR 2OR 3 OR 4 OR 5 OR 6 OR 7 OR 8 OR 9 OR 9
11	"clinical study"[pt]
12	"clinical studies as topic"[mh]
13	"clinical study"[tiab]
14	"observational study"[pt]
15	"observational studies as topic"[mh]
16	"observational study"[tiab]
17	"clinical trial"[pt]
18	"clinical trials as topic"[mh]
19	"clinical trial"[tiab]
20	"comparative study"[pt]
21	"comparative study"[tiab]
22	"controlled clinical trial"[pt]
23	"controlled clinical trials as topic"[mh]
24	"controlled clinical trial"[tiab]
25	"randomized controlled trial"[pt]
26	"randomized controlled trials as topic"[mh]
27	"randomized controlled trial"[tiab] OR RCT[tiab] OR "randomised controlled trial"[tiab]
28	"cohort studies"[mh]
29	"cohort study"[tiab]
30	"retrospective studies"[mh]
31	"retrospective study"[tiab]
32	"cross-sectional studies"[mh]
33	"cross-sectional study"[tiab]
34	"qualitative research"[mh]
35	"evaluation study"[pt]
36	"evaluation studies as topic"[mh]
37	"focus groups"[mh]
38	interview[pt]
39	"interviews as topic"[mh]
40	"qualitative"[tiab]
41	"evaluation study"[tiab]
42	"focus group"[tiab]
43	Interview[tiab]
44	Interviews[tiab]
45	11 OR 12 OR 13 OR 14 OR 15 OR 16 OR 17 OR 18 OR 19 OR 20 OR 21 OR 22 OR 23 OR 24
	OR 25 OR 26 OR 27 OR 28 OR 29 OR 30 OR 31 OR 32 OR 33 OR 34 OR 35 OR 36 OR 37 OR
	38 OR 39 OR 40 OR 41 OR 42 OR 43 OR 44
46	Review[pt]
47	"systematic review"[pt]
48	"Meta-Analysis as Topic"[Mesh]
49	46 OR 47 OR 48
50	(10 AND 45) NOT 49

Table A.1.1. PubMed search strategy

Table A.1.2. CINAHL and PsycINFO

Numbe	rSearch string	Limiters
S15	(S11 AND S12) NOT S13	Limiters - Published Date: 20200301-20210731
S14	S11 AND S12	
S13	reviews OR "systematic review" OR metaanalysis" OR "meta analysis" OR "meta-analysis"	
S12	"clinical study" OR "observational study" OR "clinical trial" OR "comparative study" OR "controlled clinical Trial" OR "randomized controlled trial" OR "cohort study" OR "retrospective study" OR "cross-sectional study" OR "cross sectional study" OR "qualitative research" OR "evaluation study" OR "focus group" OR "focus groups" OR interview OR "randomised controlled trial"	
S11	S1 OR S2 OR S3 OR S4 OR S5 OR S6 OR S7 OR S8 OR S9 OR S10	
S10	(MM "Telehealth+")	
S9	MM "Telemedicine" OR MM "Online Therapy" OR MM "Teleconferencing" OR MM "Teleconsultation" OR MM "Telepsychiatry" OR MM "Telepsychology" OR MM "Telerehabilitation"	
S8	TI "e-Health" OR AB "e-Health"	
S7	TI eHealth OR AB eHealth	
S6	TI "m-Health" OR AB "m-Health"	
S5	TI mHealth OR AB mHealth	
S4	TI "mobile health" OR AB "mobile health"	
S3	TI telemedicine OR AB telemedicine	
S2	TI telehealth OR AB telehealth	
S1	TI "Virtual health" OR AB "Virtual health"	

Table A.1.3. Cochrane Database search

ID	Search
#1	("virtual health"):ti,ab,kw (Word variations have been searched)
#2	(telehealth):ti,ab,kw (Word variations have been searched)
#3	MeSH descriptor: [Telemedicine] explode all trees
#4	(telemedicine):ti,ab,kw (Word variations have been searched)
#5	("mobile health"):ti,ab,kw
#6	("m-health"):ti,ab,kw
#7	(mhealth):ti,ab,kw
#8	(ehealth):ti,ab,kw
#9	("e-health"):ti,ab,kw
#10	#1 or #2 or #3 or #4 or #5 or #6 or #7 or #8 or #9

*Date limited, no review

PICOT	Inclusion	Exclusion
P: Population	 KQs 1 and 2: Patients of any age Health systems Hospitals Providers KQ 3: Patients or their caregivers Providers KQ 4: Hospitals Community-based clinics Private practices Mental health services Federally Qualified Health Centers Rural clinics Healthcare systems 	All KQs: Patients receiving inpatient care Providers providing inpatient care
I: Interventions	 KQs 1-3: Remotely delivered synchronous medical services (e.g., telephone, video visits) between a patient and a healthcare provider in an ambulatory setting (e.g., outpatient and community-based clinics) or ED providing acute/urgent care (e.g., symptom management); routine/chronic care (e.g., preventive services, chronic disease management); mental health services; wellness visits; post-hospital discharge care (e.g., routine followup and care for nonacute issues) Patient and specialist communications facilitated by an ED physician in an ED (particularly important in rural care settings) KQ 4: Implementation strategies for telehealth 	All KQs: Remotely delivered, nonsynchronous medical services (e.g., remote monitoring devices, health apps, wearable devices, patient portals)
C: Comparators	KQs 1-3: In-person care, no care, no comparison KQ 4: Implementation strategies for telehealth	N/A

Table A.2. PICOTS and study design: Inclusion and exclusion criteria

PICOT	Inclusion	Exclusion
O: Outcomes	 KQ 1: N/A KQ 2: System outcomes Healthcare access (e.g., insurance coverage, WIFI, and smartphone access) Healthcare utilization (e.g., hospitalization, readmission, ED visit) Healthcare performance and quality measures (e.g., adhering or meeting Healthcare Effectiveness Data and Information Set (HEDIS) standards or other validated quality measures), e.g., Practice efficiency No-show rates Staffing hours Cycle times Communication Clinical outcomes (any) Medication adherence Up-to-date lab values Adverse effects/patient safety issues Inappropriate treatment Misdiagnosis/delayed diagnosis/care Case resolution/Duplication of services (telehealth followed immediately by in-person visit) Privacy/confidentiality breaches Cost (see Appendix A for detailed cost outcomes) KQ3: Patient/provider-level outcomes Patient satisfaction/perceptions Physician /provider satisfaction/perceptions Physician /provider Barriers and enablers KQ4: Implementation strategies 	N/A
T: Timing	All KQs: The era of COVID-19 (March 2020-present) KQ 1d: During the first 4 months or beyond the initial phase*	Studies completed prior to the era of COVID-19
S: Setting	 ALL KQs: Healthcare provided outside of a medical office via phone or video Healthcare provided in an ED by a specialist via phone or video Outpatient population or health system characteristics similar to US population and health system characteristics (including ED) (see Table A.3 for a list of included countries) 	Inpatient setting Non-US-based studies with different patient population or health system characteristics
Study Design [↑]	KQ 1: Large scale, US-based studies based on claims or EHR data [†] KQ 2: Quantitative studies (e.g., RCT, CT, cohort studies.) KQ 3: Qualitative studies [‡] (e.g., focus groups, interviews, surveys) KQ 4: Mixed methods (qualitative and quantitative studies)	

CT = controlled trial; ED = emergency department; EHR = electronic health record; HEDIS = Healthcare Effectiveness Data and Information Set; KQ = Key Question(s); N/A = not applicable; RCT = randomized controlled trial

* Studies that began before the era of COVID-19 (11 March 2020) and extend into the era of COVID-19 were excluded unless they met the following criteria: data from the pre- and post-COVID-19 era were stratified—the stratified data were extracted; studies initiated as early as 1 January 2020 were considered applicable if studies of telehealth in response to COVID-19. [†] We listed studies of other types, and from other countries.

[‡] To be eligible for inclusion as a qualitative study, the sampling, data collection, and data analyses must have been systematically conducted; data must have been analyzed using methods of qualitative data analysis (such as thematic analysis).

Country	Country
Australia	Italy
Austria	Japan
Belgium	Korea (South)
Canada	Latvia
Chile	Lithuania
Czech Republic	Luxembourg
Denmark	New Zealand
Estonia	Norway
Finland	Poland
France	Portugal
Germany	Slovak Republic
Greece	Slovenia
Hungary	Spain
Ireland	Sweden
Israel	Switzerland
	The Netherlands
	UK
	USA

Table A.3. Included countries*

*List of Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) nations excluding those with a World Bank classification below "upper-income." (Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development. 2022. https://www.oecd.org/index.htm.)

Table A.4. Methods by Key Question

Key Question	Proposed Methods	Included Studies Designs	Synthesis or Analysis
1. What are the characteristics of patient, provider, and health systems using telehealth during the COVID-19 era, specifically?	Narrative Review	Large-scale, US-based studies based on claims or EHR data*	Descriptive statistics
2. What are the benefits and harms of telehealth during the COVID-19 era?	Systematic Review	Study designs: RCT, CT, observational studies	Systematic Review
3. What is considered a successful telehealth intervention during the COVID-19 era?	Qualitative evidence synthesis	Qualitative research, and surveys	Matrix of perspectives and outcomes Convergent segregated approach
4. What strategies have been used to implement telehealth interventions during the COVID-19 era?	Systematic Review Qualitative evidence synthesis	Study designs: Systematic Review: RCT, CT, observational studies, process evaluation studies (i.e., identifying/addressing barriers/facilitators; populations to target; mechanisms for success/failure)	Systematic review results

CT = controlled trial; EHR = electronic health record; RCT = randomized controlled trial

*We listed studies of other types, and from other countries.

Appendix B. List of Excluded Studies

- A Comparison of Exercise Intensity in Hybrid Versus Standard Phase Two Cardiac Rehabilitation. Journal of cardiopulmonary rehabilitation and prevention. 2021;41(1):19-22. doi: 10.1097/HCR.000000000000569. PMID: CN-02254194. - Data not abstractable (e.g., dates overlap COVID-19 era but are not stratified; or includes non-US comparable countries, and data are not stratified)
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- Abokalawa F, Ahmad SF, Al-Hashel J, et al. The effects of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic on people with epilepsy (PwE): an online survey-based study. Acta Neurol Belg. 2022 Feb;122(1):59-66. doi: 10.1007/s13760-021-01609-1. PMID: 33555559. - Population is not comparable to a US population
- Accorsi TAD, Amicis K, Brígido ARD, et al. Assessment of patients with acute respiratory symptoms during the COVID-19 pandemic by Telemedicine: clinical features and impact on referral. Einstein (Sao Paulo). 2020;18:eAO6106. doi: 10.31744/einstein_journal/2020AO6106. PMID: 33295428. - Population is not comparable to a US population
- Achieving optimal adherence to medical therapy by telehealth: findings from the ORBITA medication adherence sub-study. Pharmacology research and perspectives. 2021;9(1)doi: 10.1002/prp2.710. PMID: CN-02271618. - Study dates not available AND no terms suggesting conducted during COVID-19

- Adepoju OE, Chae M, Ojinnaka CO, et al. Utilization Gaps During the COVID-19 Pandemic: Racial and Ethnic Disparities in Telemedicine Uptake in Federally Qualified Health Center Clinics. J Gen Intern Med. 2022 Apr;37(5):1191-7. doi: 10.1007/s11606-021-07304-4. PMID: 35112280. - Addresses KQ1 only: Not a US-based studyNot nationally representative data (large data set collected at the national level)
- Adly AS, Adly MS, Adly AS. Telemanagement of Home-Isolated COVID-19 Patients Using Oxygen Therapy With Noninvasive Positive Pressure Ventilation and Physical Therapy Techniques: Randomized Clinical Trial. J Med Internet Res. 2021 Apr 28;23(4):e23446. doi: 10.2196/23446. PMID: 33819166. - Population is not comparable to a US population
- Agazzi H, Hayford H, Thomas N, et al. A nonrandomized trial of a behavioral parent training intervention for parents with children with challenging behaviors: Inperson versus internet-HOT DOCS. Clin Child Psychol Psychiatry. 2021 Oct;26(4):1076-88. doi: 10.1177/13591045211027559. PMID: 34156883. - Addresses KQ1 only: Only includes changes in number (frequency) of telehealth visits due to COVID-19
- Agrawal S, Strzelec B, Poręba R, et al. Clinical Characteristics, Preventive Care and Attitude to Telemedicine among Patients with Diabetic Retinopathy: A Cross-Sectional Study. J Clin Med. 2021 Jan 12;10(2)doi: 10.3390/jcm10020249. PMID: 33445546. - Not applicable to any of the key questions

- Ahonle ZJ, Kreider CM, Hale-Gallardo J, et al. Implementation and use of video teletechnologies in delivery of individualized community-based vocational rehabilitation services to rural veterans. Journal of Vocational Rehabilitation. 2021;55(2):227-33. doi: 10.3233/JVR-211159. PMID: 152820783. Language: English. Entry Date: 20211019. Revision Date: 20211019. Publication Type: Article. - Study completed prior to the era of COVID-19 (Prior to March 2020)
- Aiken ARA, Starling JE, Gomperts R. Factors Associated With Use of an Online Telemedicine Service to Access Selfmanaged Medical Abortion in the US. JAMA Netw Open. 2021 May 3;4(5):e2111852. doi: 10.1001/jamanetworkopen.2021.11852. PMID: 34019085. - Data not abstractable (e.g., dates overlap COVID-19 era but are not stratified; or includes non-US comparable countries, and data are not stratified)
- Ainslie M, Brunette MF, Capozzoli M. Treatment Interruptions and Telemedicine Utilization in Serious Mental Illness: Retrospective Longitudinal Claims Analysis. JMIR Ment Health. 2022 Mar 21;9(3):e33092. doi: 10.2196/33092. PMID: 35311673. -Addresses KQ1 only: Not a US-based studyNot nationally representative data (large data set collected at the national level)
- Airola E, Rasi P, Outila M. Older people as users and non-users of a video conferencing service for promoting social connectedness and well-being – a case study from Finnish Lapland. Educational Gerontology. 2020;46(5):258-69. doi: 10.1080/03601277.2020.1743008. PMID: 142799718. Language: English. Entry Date: 20200422. Revision Date: 20200430. Publication Type: Article. - Study completed prior to the era of COVID-19 (Prior to March 2020)
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- Alencar M, Johnson K, Gray V, et al. Telehealth-Based Health Coaching Increases m-Health Device Adherence and Rate of Weight Loss in Obese Participants. Telemed J E Health. 2020 Mar;26(3):365-8. doi: 10.1089/tmj.2019.0017. PMID: 30994410. -Study of remotely delivered, nonsynchronous medical services (e.g., wearable devices, apps, text messaging, etc.)
- Al-Hassani F, Nikkhah D, Pickford MA. The management of ulnar polydactyly with a telemedicine-based referral system and a one-stop clinic. J Plast Reconstr Aesthet Surg. 2020 Apr;73(4):783-808. doi: 10.1016/j.bjps.2019.11.024. PMID: 31836262. Study completed prior to the era of COVID-19 (Prior to March 2020)
- Ali SH, Mohaimin S, Islam T, et al. Implementation evaluation and fidelity assessment of a diabetes management intervention during the COVID-19 pandemic: findings from the diabetes research, education, and action for minorities (DREAM) initiative. Journal of general internal medicine. 2021;36(SUPPL 1):S66-S7. doi: 10.1007/s11606-021-06830-5. PMID: CN-02305965. - Meeting abstract only

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- Allison KM, Levac DE. Impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on therapy service delivery and functioning for school-aged children with disabilities in the United States. Disabil Health J. 2022 Apr;15(2):101266. doi: 10.1016/j.dhjo.2021.101266. PMID: 35115260. - Addresses KQ3 only: Survey with no open-ended question(s)
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- Amici G, Lo Cicero A, Presello F, et al. [The advantages of remote patient monitoring in automated peritoneal dialysis]. G Ital Nefrol. 2020 Jun 10;37(3) PMID: 32530154. Non-English language article
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Outcomes	General Medical Care - Adults	General Medical Care - Child	General Medical Care - All Ages	Specialized – COVID-19	Specialized - Pregnancy/ Prenatal/ Gynecological	Specialized – Other Conditions	Surgical Care	General Behavioral/Mental Health	Physical Rehabilitation/ Functional Impairment
Healthcare utilization- emergency	Comparative: 0 studies	Comparative: 0 studies	Comparative: 2 studies	Comparative: 3 studies	Comparative: 1 study	Comparative: 5 studies	Comparative: 1 study	0 studies	0 studies
department visits	Non- comparative: 1 study	Non- comparative: 1 study	Non- comparative: 0 studies	Non- comparative: 2 studies	Non- comparative: 0 studies	Non- comparative: 3 studies	Non- comparative: 1 study		
Healthcare utilization- hospitalization	Comparative: 2 studies	Comparative: 0 studies	Comparative: 2 studies	Comparative: 2 studies	Comparative: 2 studies	Comparative: 9 studies	Comparative: 1 study	0 studies	0 studies
	Non- comparative: 1 study	Non- comparative: 1 study	Non- comparative: 1 study	Non- comparative: 8 studies	Non- comparative: 1 study	Non- comparative: 3 studies	Non- comparative: 0 studies		
Healthcare utilization- readmission	0 studies	0 studies	0 studies	Comparative: 2 studies	Comparative: 1 study	0 studies	Comparative: 3 studies	0 studies	0 studies
				Non- comparative: 1 study	Non- comparative: 0 studies		Non- comparative: 0 studies		
Clinical outcomes- mortality	0 studies	0 studies	0 studies	Comparative: 0 studies	Comparative: 2 studies	Comparative: 3 studies	Comparative: 2 studies	0 studies	0 studies
				Non- comparative: 5 studies	Non- comparative: 0 studies	Non- comparative: 4 studies	Non- comparative: 0 studies		
Clinical outcomes- patient reported outcomes	Comparative: 0 studies	0 studies	0 studies	0 studies	Comparative: 1 study	Comparative: 1 study	0 studies	Comparative: 3 studies	Comparative: 0 studies
	Non- comparative: 2 studies				Non- comparative: 0 studies	Non- comparative: 1 study		Non-comparative: 0 studies	Non- comparative: 1 study
Clinical outcomes- condition specific clinical outcomes	Comparative: 0 studies	0 studies	0 studies	0 studies	Comparative: 2 studies	Comparative: 7 studies	Comparative: 1 study	Comparative: 1 study	0 studies
	Non- comparative: 1 study				Non- comparative: 1 study	Non- comparative: 1 study	Non- comparative: 0 studies	Non-comparative: 0 studies	

Table C.1. Summary matrix of the number of included studies with relevant outcomes by outcome category and clinical condition

Outcomes	General Medical Care - Adults	General Medical Care - Child	General Medical Care - All Ages	Specialized – COVID-19	Specialized - Pregnancy/ Prenatal/ Gynecological	Specialized – Other Conditions	Surgical Care	General Behavioral/Mental Health	Physical Rehabilitation/ Functional Impairment
Clinical outcomes- adverse events	Comparative: 1 study	0 studies	0 studies	0 studies	Comparative: 3 studies	Comparative: 1 study	Comparative: 4 studies	Comparative: 1 study	0 studies
	Non- comparative: 1 study				Non- comparative: 0 studies	Non- comparative: 3 studies	Non- comparative: 0 studies	Non-comparative: 0 studies	
Process outcomes- missed visits	0 studies	0 studies	0 studies	0 studies	Comparative: 1 study	Comparative: 4 studies	Comparative: 1 study	Comparative: 1 study	0 studies
					Non- comparative: 0 studies	Non- comparative: 1 study	Non- comparative: 0 studies	Non-comparative: 0 studies	
Process outcomes- case resolution/duplication	Comparative: 0 studies	Comparative: 0 studies	Comparative: 2 studies	Comparative: 1 study	Comparative: 1 study	Comparative: 7 studies	Comparative: 1 study	0 studies	0 studies
of services	Non- comparative: 2 studies	Non- comparative: 1 study	Non- comparative: 0 studies	Non- comparative: 1 study	Non- comparative: 0 studies	Non- comparative: 7 studies	Non- comparative: 1 study		
Process outcomes- change in therapy/ Medication	Comparative: 2 studies	0 studies	0 studies	0 studies	0 studies	Comparative: 6 studies	0 studies	0 studies	0 studies
	Non- comparative: 0 studies					Non- comparative: 3 studies			
Process outcomes- Therapy/ Medication	Comparative: 2 studies	0 studies	0 studies	0 studies	0 studies	Comparative: 4 studies	0 studies	Comparative: 3 studies	0 studies
adherence	Non- comparative: 1 study					Non- comparative: 0 studies		Non-comparative: 0 studies	
Process outcomes- up-to-date labs and paraclinical	0 studies	0 studies	0 studies	Comparative: 0 studies	Comparative: 1 study	Comparative: 6 studies	0 studies	0 studies	0 studies
assessment				Non- comparative: 1 study	Non- comparative: 0 studies	Non- comparative: 0 studies			

Author, Year	N Providers	Healthcare System	Specialty/Clinical Focus
Afonso Noguueria, 2021 ¹	1	Representative of a single large facility or organization	Heart failure clinic in hospital
Aiken, 2021 ²	3	Not reported	Abortion providers
Arias, 2022 ³	1	Representative of a single large facility or organization	Postpartum care
Barequet, 2021 ⁴	1	Limited study of less than above	Primary care (wide, full-range care)
Baughman, 2021 ⁵	1	Large/Regionally representative	Primary care (wide, full-range care)
Boles, 2022 ⁶	1	Representative of a single large facility or organization	Surgical
Borgen, 2021 ⁷	Not reported	Not reported	Home-care services
Boshara, 2022 ⁸	1	Large/Regionally representative	HIV
Cancer, 2021 ⁹	3	Representative of a single large facility or organization	Rehab/PT/OT/etc.
Carlberg, 2020 ¹⁰	1	Limited study of less than above	Tertiary care, Level I trauma center
Casariego-Vales, 2021 ¹¹	Not reported	Not reported	At home monitoring
Cobo-Calbo, 202212	1	Limited study of less than above	MS/Autoimmune disorder center
Cunningham, 2022 ¹³	6	Representative of a single large facility or organization	Rehab/PT/OT/etc.
Cvietusa, 2022 ¹⁴	1	Large/Regionally representative	Primary care (wide, full-range care)
D'Anna, 2021 ¹⁵	1	Representative of a single large facility or organization	Primary care (wide, full-range care)
Duryea, 2021 ¹⁶	1	Not reported	Antenatal and postpartum care clinic
Fortier, 2022 ¹⁷	1	Large/Regionally representative	Mental health
Fredwall, 2021 ¹⁸	1	Not reported	Epilepsy clinic
Gaetani, 2021 ¹⁹	Not reported	Not reported	Hereditary hemorrhagic telangiectasia center
Garmendia, 2021 ²⁰	1	Not reported	Sleep unit
Grandizio, 2022 ²¹	1	Limited study of less than above	Surgical
Hamner, 2021 ²²	1	Representative of a single large facility or organization	Mental health
Hatef, 2022 ²³	1	Nationally representative	Not reported
Helmes, 2022 ²⁴	1	Limited study of less than above	Dental surgery
Irarrazaval, 2021 ²⁵	1	Representative of a single large facility or organization	Surgical
Kablinger, 2022 ²⁶	1	Limited study of less than above	Mental health
Kerestes, 2021 ²⁷	1	Not reported	Family planning clinic

Table C.2. Provider and healthcare systems of included studies with telehealth versus in-person comparisons in Key Question 2

Author, Year	N Providers	Healthcare System	Specialty/Clinical Focus
Khosla, 2022 ²⁸	1	Limited study of less than above	Primary care (wide, full-range care)
Klain, 2021 ²⁹	Not reported	Not reported	Radiometabolic Therapy Unit
Kolb, 2021 ³⁰	1	Not reported	tertiary-care pediatric referral center
Korycinski, 2022 ³¹	1	Limited study of less than above	Primary care (wide, full-range care)
Levinson, 2021 ³²	1	Limited study of less than above	Behavioral health: eating disorder
Li, 2021 ³³	Not reported	Not reported	Eye hospital
Lindhagen, 2022 ³⁴	1	Representative of a single large facility or organization	Gastroenterology department
Liu, 2021 ³⁵	Not reported	Not reported	Gastroenterology/Rheumatology clinic
Mair, 2021 ³⁶	1	Not reported	Rheumatology clinic
McCoy, 2022 ³⁷	1	Representative of a single large facility or organization	Otolaryngology
McNamara, 2021 ³⁸	9	Representative of a single large facility or organization	Pharmacy visit
Minsky, 2021 ³⁹	1	Not reported	Weight management clinic
Offiah, 2022 ⁴⁰	41	Large/Regionally representative	General cardiology clinics in hospital
Ostberg, 2022 ⁴¹	2	Not reported	Primary care (wide, full-range care)
Parise, 202142	3	Representative of a single large facility or organization	Diabetes care center
Phillips, 202143	1	Not reported	Primary care run respiratory assessment center
Pinsker, 2021 ⁴⁴	1	Not reported	Diabetic center
Ragheb, 2021 ⁴⁵	1	Representative of a single large facility or organization	Obstetric anesthesia
Reddy, 2021 ⁴⁶	1	Limited study of less than above	Cancer care
Ripp, 2022 ⁴⁷	1	Representative of a single large facility or organization	Mental health
Rowe, 2021 ⁴⁸	1	Not reported	Tertiary hospital cardiology center
Rysinka, 2021 ⁴⁹	32	Regional healthcare network	Primary care clinic
Schafer, 2022 ⁵⁰	1	Representative of a single large facility or organization	Surgical
Sevilis, 2022 ⁵¹	171	Nationally representative	Stroke care
Sharma, 2020 ⁵²	1	Not reported	Irritable Bowel Disease unit
Tarn, 202153	Not reported	Not reported	Not reported
Tchang, 2022 ⁵⁴	1	Limited study of less than above	Wellness/Health education
Uppal, 2022 ⁵⁵	1	Representative of a single large facility or organization	Surgical
Wabe, 2022 ⁵⁶	5	Large/Regionally representative	Primary care (wide, full-range care)

Author, Year	N Providers	Healthcare System	Specialty/Clinical Focus
Watson, 202157	1	Representative of a single large facility or organization	Cancer care
Ye, 2022 ⁵⁸	1	Representative of a single large facility or organization	Primary care (wide, full-range care)
Ye, 2022 ⁵⁹	1	Representative of a single large facility or organization	Surgical
Zayde, 2021 ⁶⁰	1	Limited study of less than above	Mental health
Zhao, 202161	1	Not reported	Hospital clinic
Zhu, 2021 ⁶²	1	Regional healthcare network	Rheumatology clinics
Zimmerman, 202163	1	Representative of a single large facility or organization	Hospital

HIV=human immunodeficiency virus; MS=multiple sclerosis; N=sample size; OT=occupational therapy; PT=physical therapy

Barrier or Facilitator Category		Qualitative Studies	Surveys
Telehealth literacy (barrier)	Studies, participants: N (n)	3 (1415)	1 (34)
	Telehealth Mode	Video (3),*	Video
	Country (ies)	Australia, Canada, US	US
	Health concern	General care (3)	Cardiac patients
	Demographics	Adults(3)	Over 75 years old
	Study period	Later COVID (3)	General COVID
Telehealth Literacy (facilitator)	NR	NR	NR
Cost (barrier)	NR	NR	NR
Cost (facilitator)	NR	NR	NR
Privacy (barrier)	Studies, participants: N (n)	7 (1236)	NR
,	Telehealth Mode	Video (5); telephone only (1); NR (1)	NR
	Country (ies)	US (4); UK (1); Australia (1); Canada (1)	NR
	Health concern	Rheumatology (1); palliative care (1); neurology (1); sleep (1); oncology (1); contraception (1); NR (1)	NR
	Demographics	Age: Adult (5), NR (2); Sex: Female (1); NR (6); race, mixed (7)	NR
	Study period	Early COVID (4); general COVID (2); compares pre COVID to COVID era (1)	NR
Privacy (facilitator	Studies, participants: N (n)	NR	2 (356)
	Telehealth Mode	NR	NR (2)
	Country (ies)	NR	US (1); Israel (1)
	Health concern	NR	Oncology (1); dermatology (1)
	Demographics	NR	Adult (2); sex (mixed); race (mixed)
	Study period	NR	Early COVID (2)
Outcomes (barrier)	Studies, participants: N (n)	5 (1351)	NR
	Telehealth Mode	Video (1); telephone only (3); NR (1)	NR
	Country (ies)	Australia (2); Canada (1); The Netherlands (1); Multi (1)	NR
	Health concern	Rhematic disease (1); endometriosis (1); parkinson's (1); eating disorder (1); NR (1)	NR
	Demographics	Age: Adults (4), NR (1); sex: female (1); mixed (3), NR (1); race: NR	NR
	Study period	Early COVID (4); later COVID (1)	NR
Outcomes (facilitator)	NR	NR	NR
Communication (barrier)	Studies, participants: N (n)	5 (1537)	NR
	Telehealth Mode	Video (3); telephone only (2)	NR
	Country (ies)	US (2); UK (1); Australia (2)	NR

Table C.3. Matrix comparing qualitative and quantitative studies addressing patient barriers and facilitators

Barrier or Facilitator Category	Population	Qualitative Studies	Surveys
	Health concern	General care (1); rheumatology (1); ESRD (1); eating disorder (1); oncology (1)	NR
	Demographics	Age: adult; sex: mixed (5); race: mixed (2); NR (3)	NR
	Study period	Early COVID (3); later COVID (2)	NR
Communication (facilitator)	Studies, participants: N (n)	2 (30)	1 (53)
	Telehealth Mode	Telephone only (2)	Video
	Country (ies)	UK (2)	UK
	Health concern	ESRD (1); abortion (1)	Surgical patients
	Demographics	Age: adult; sex: female (1), mixed (1); race: white (2)	Over 65 years old
	Study period	General COVID (1); later COVID (1)	General COVID
Technical Issues (barrier)	Studies, participants: N (n)	9 (1605)	14 (1833)
	Telehealth Mode	Video (6); telephone only (1); NR (2)	Video (9); NR (6)
	Country (ies)	United States (5); Australia (2); Israel (1); New Zealand (1); UK (1)	Germany (1); Switzerland (1); UK (1): US (11)
	Health concern	General health (2); oncology (2); rheumatic disease (1); mental health (1); heart failure (1); eating disorder (1); substance abuse (1); respiratory (1)	Surgical (2), Oncology (1); dermatology (1); orthopaedics (3), general medicine (1), physical rehab (1), allergy (1), cystic fibrosis (1), mental health (1), womens' health (1), heart failure (1)
	Demographics	Age: adult (8), NR (2); race: mixed (8), NR (2); mixed (4), NR (6)	Age: adult (13); NR (1); sex: female (1); mixed (13); race: mixed (5), NR (8)
	Study period	Early COVID (3); general COVID (4); later COVID (2); compares pre COVID to COVID era (1)	Early COVID (9); General COVID (4); Later COVID (1)
Technical issues (facilitator)	NR	NR	NR
Inequity (barrier)	Studies, participants: N (n)	6 (1480)	2 (213)
	Telehealth Mode	Video (5); telephone only (1)	Video (1), NR (1)
	Country (ies)	United States (2); Canada (1); The Netherlands (1); Australia (1) UK (1), Israel (1)	US (2)
	Health concern	Substance abuse (1); rheumatic disease (1); neurology (1); mental health (1); general medicine (1) not reported (1)	Orthopedic (1); mental health (1)
	Demographics	Age: adult (4), NR (2); sex: mixed (6); Race: mixed (4), NR (2)	Age: adult (2); sex: mixed (2); race: mixed (2)
	Study period	Early COVID (4)	Early COVID (9); General COVID (4); Later COVID (1); compares pre to post COVID (1)
Inequity (facilitator)	NR	NR	NŔ

Barrier or Facilitator Category	Population	Qualitative Studies	Surveys
Suggestions (barrier)	NR	NR	NR
Suggestions (facilitator)	Studies, participants: N (n)	5 (500)	NR
	Telehealth Mode	Video (2); not reported (1)	NR
	Country (ies)	United States (2); Canada (1)	NR
	Health concern	Substance abuse (1); mental health (1);	NR
		cancer (1)	
	Demographics	Age: elderly (<65) (1); NR (2); sex: mixed (1), NR (2); race: mixed (1), NR (2)	NR
	Study period	Early COVID (1); General COVID (1); Later COVID (3)	NR
Advantages (barrier)	NR	NR	NR
Advantages (facilitator)	Studies, participants: N (n)	4 (244)	NR
	Telehealth Mode	Video* (2); telephone only (1) not reported (1)	NR
	Country (ies)	United States (2); Australia (2)	NR
	Health concern	General concerns (1), otolaryngology (1), rheumatic disease (1), sleep (1)	NR
	Demographics	Age: adults (4); sex: mixed (4); race: mixed (1), NR (3)	NR
	Study period	Early COVID (3); compares (1)	NR
Appropriateness of Fit (barrier)	NR	NR	NR
Appropriateness of Fit (facilitator)	Studies, participants: N (n)	7 (1445)	NR
	Telehealth Mode	Video* (3), Video or telephone only (2), not reported (2)	NR
	Country (ies)	United States (3); Canada (2), Australia (2)	NR
	Health concern	Neurology (1), mental health (1), obstetrics, (1), genetic counseling (1), oncology (1), general (1), NR (1)	NR
	Demographics	Age: adult (5); chils and adult (1) NR (1); sex: mixed (5); female (1),NR (1); race: Mixed (3)NR (4)	NR
	Study period	Early COVID (1); General COVID (1)	NR
Changes to practice	Studies, participants: N (n)	1 (37)	NR
	Telehealth Mode	NR	NR
	Country (ies)	US	NR
	Health concern	Opioid use	NR
	Demographics	Adults	NR
	Study period	General COVID	NR
Future of telehealth	Studies, participants: N (n)	3 (439)	NA
	Telehealth Mode	Telephone only (1), telephone only or video* (2)	NA

Barrier or Facilitator Category	Population	Qualitative Studies	Surveys
	Country (ies)	US (1), UK (1), Australia (1)	NA
	Health concern	Obstetrics (1), mental health (2)	NA
	Demographics	Adults (3); Female (1), mixed sex (2)	NA
	Study period	General COVID (1), later COVID (2)	NA

* video=a combination of audio and video, either via telephone plus video feed, or video conference where the two are combined.

NR=not reported US=United States UK=United Kingdom ESRD=end-stage renal disease

Summary of Review Findings	Number of Studies Contributing	Methodological Limitations (CASP Rating)	Coherence	Adequacy	Relevance	CERQual Assessment of Confidence in the Evidence	Explanation of CERQual Rating
Telehealth literacy (3) Telehealth literacy amongst patients is a barrier to care.	Barrier (3): Isautier, 2020 ⁶⁴ Dainty, 2022 ⁶⁵ Sharma, 2022 ⁶⁶ Facilitators: NA	No or very minor concerns about studies addressing barriers: Three study of patients addressed barriers to care, and there were no concerns in any domains	<u>No or very</u> <u>minor</u> <u>concerns</u> about studies addressing <u>barriers</u> .	Barriers: 3 studies including 1415 participants <u>No or very minor</u> <u>concerns:</u> Three studies contributed to this finding. Sufficient detail was provided regarding methods of data collection and analysis.	No or very minor concerns about studies addressing barriers. In all three studies the population mean age was over 60.	High confidence.	Minor concerns due to a single study contributing to this domain.
Cost	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Privacy Issues surrounding privacy are a patient perceived barrier to care via telehealth	Barrier (7): Adams, 2021 ⁶⁷ Bethel, 2021 ⁶⁸ Boydell, 2021 ⁶⁹ Donovan, 2021 ⁷⁰ Granberg, 2021 ⁷¹ Stifani, 2021 ⁷² Subotic, 2020 ⁷³ Facilitators: NA	<u>Minor concerns</u> about studies addressing <u>barriers</u> : Two studies did not sufficiently describe the recruitment strategy; three studies did not provide interview guides, and one study did not sufficiently describe their analyses.	<u>No or very</u> <u>minor</u> <u>concerns</u> about studies addressing <u>barriers</u> .	Barriers: 7 studies including 1236 participants Moderate concerns. Four of the seven studies provide at least a moderate (to very thorough) description of their data collection and analysis processes and of the findings related to privacy. The remaining studies present limited findings related to privacy. One study was further limited by a lack of detail regarding the analytic process.	<u>No or very</u> <u>minor</u> <u>concerns</u> about studies addressing <u>barriers</u> .	Moderate confidence.	Concerns due to limited information available to privacy concerns in telehealth.

Table C.4. CERQual of studies addressing patient barriers and facilitators

Summary of Review Findings	Number of Studies Contributing	Methodological Limitations (CASP Rating)	Coherence	Adequacy	Relevance	CERQual Assessment of Confidence in the Evidence	Explanation of CERQual Rating
Outcomes Patients believe telehealth may be a barrier to improved health	Barriers (5): Adams, 2021 ⁶⁷ Barsom, 2021 ⁷⁴ Evans, 2021 ⁷⁵ Anghelescu, 2021 ⁷⁶ Hunter, 2021 ⁷⁷	<u>Minor concerns</u> about studies addressing <u>barriers</u> : there was some concern regarding the research design, in one study; recruitment strategy was not well described in four studies; data collection was not completely described in one study (survey instrument not provided); and data analysis was not sufficiently described in two studies.	No or very minor concerns about studies addressing <u>facilitators</u> .	Barriers: 5 studies including 1351 participants Moderate concerns: Three of the five studies provided very rich descriptions of data collection and analysis, leading to confidence in the findings regarding outcomes. In one study, very little attention was given to free-text responses and findings here are not well described. In the final study, while the findings are adequately presented, it is not clear that "data saturation" was operationalized and, instead, was used as a general guideline to pick an arbitrary end-point for recruitment. Taking all five studies into account, we concluded that there are moderate concerns about data adequacy.	No or very minor concerns about studies addressing <u>facilitator</u> s.	Moderate confidence.	Concerns due to lack of confidence regarding findings from 40% of the studies.

	Minor concerns about	No or very	Barriers: 5 studies	No or very	High	Only minor
dams, 2021 ⁶⁷	studies addressing	<u>minor</u>	including 1537	minor	confidence.	concerns
ntoun, 2021 ⁷⁸	barriers: An interview	<u>concerns</u>	participants	concerns		related to the
rayn, 2021 ⁷⁹				about		adequacy of
Granberg,	provided for one of the	studies	Minor concerns. Of these	studies		findings.
021 ⁷¹	studies and data	addressing	five studies, four reported	addressing		
sautier, 2020 ⁶⁴	analysis was not	barriers.	very rich detail of data	barriers.		
	sufficiently described		collection and analyses,			
acilitators (2):	in another study.	No or very	leading to our confidence	No or very		
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			(versus a non-user).			
			Facilitators: 2 studies			
			including 50 participants			
			No or very minor			
			this data.			
	rayn, 2021 ⁷⁹ Granberg, 021 ⁷¹ Sautier, 2020 ⁶⁴	rayn, 202179guide was not provided for one of the studies and data analysis was not sufficiently described in another study.	rayn, 202179guide was not provided for one of the studies and data analysis was not sufficiently described in another study.about studies addressing barriers.acilitators (2): intoun, 202178 oydell, 202169minor concerns about studies addressing in another study.No or very minor concerns about studies about studies in another study.Minor concerns facilitators:about studies about studies about studies about studies about studies analysis was not studies addressing facilitators.	rayn, 2021 ⁷⁹ guide was not provided for one of the studies and data analysis was not sufficiently described in another study. Minor concerns about studies addressing facilitators: Data analysis was not sufficiently described in one of the two studies studies addressing facilitators: Data analysis was not sufficiently described in one of the two studies studies studies addressing facilitators: Minor concerns about studies addressing facilitators: Minor concerns about studies addressing facilitators: Minor concerns about studies addressing facilitators: Studies addressing facilitators: Studies addressing facilitators: Studies addressing facilitators: Studies addressing facilitators: Studies addressing facilitators: Studies addressing facilitators: Studies addressing facilitators: Studies addressing facilitators: Studies addressing facilitators: Studies addressing facilitators: Studies addressing facilitators	rayn, 2021 ⁷⁹ ranberg, 021 ⁷¹ sautier, 2020 ⁶⁴ acilitators (2): ntoun, 2021 ⁷⁸ oydell, 2021 ⁶⁹	rayn, 2021 ⁷⁹ jaraberg, 022 ¹⁷¹ autier, 2020 ⁴⁴ acilitators (2): ntoun, 2021 ⁷⁸ oydell, 2021 ⁹⁹ <u>dinor concerns</u> about <u>sudies</u> and dras and yeas not <u>sudies</u> and yeas not <u>sudies</u> addressing <u>facilitators</u> : Data analysis was not <u>sudies</u> addressing <u>facilitators</u> : Data <u>analysis</u> was not <u>sudies</u> addressing <u>facilitators</u> . No or very <u>minor</u> <u>concerns</u> <u>about</u> <u>studies</u> <u>about</u> <u>studies</u> <u>about</u> <u>studies</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>facilitators</u> . No or very <u>minor</u> <u>concerns</u> <u>about</u> <u>studies</u> <u>about</u> <u>studies</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>facilitators</u> . <u>addressing</u> <u>facilitators</u> . <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>facilitators</u> . <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u> <u>addressing</u>

Summary of Review Findings	Number of Studies Contributing	Methodological Limitations (CASP Rating)	Coherence	Adequacy	Relevance	CERQual Assessment of Confidence in the Evidence	Explanation of CERQual Rating
Technical issues Technical issues: From the perspective of patients, technical issues present a barrier to care	Technical issues (9) Adams, 2021 ⁶⁷ Barsom, 2021 ⁷⁴ Ben-Ayre, 2021 ⁸⁰ Birkhoff, 2021 ⁸¹ Clair, 2021 ⁸² Costa, 2021 ⁸³ Frayn, 2021 ⁷⁹ Granberg, 2021 ⁷¹ Imlach, 2020 ⁸⁴	Minor concerns about studies addressing <u>barriers</u> : Main areas of concern were incomplete reporting of recruitment strategy (3); concerns about data collection including not providing survey instruments, or interview guides (5)	No or very minor concerns about studies addressing barriers.	Barriers: 9 studies including 1605 participants Moderate concerns. Five of the nine studies presented adequate data supporting the finding of technological issues related to telehealth utilization. Four studies provided insufficient detail about data collection and analysis, resulting in a lack of clarify about and confidence in the findings related to technological issues.	No or very minor concerns about studies addressing barriers.	Moderate confidence.	Concerns due to the lack of methodological rigor and description of findings related to technical issues.
Inequity Access to telehealth care is problematic for patients with low socioeconomic status including vulnerable populations, older adults, and non- native speakers.	Barriers (4) Isautier, 2020 ⁶⁴ Philip, 2020 ⁸⁵ Subotic, 2020 ⁷³ Mozes, 2022 ⁸⁶ Nguyen, 2022 ⁸⁷ San Juan, 2022 ⁸⁸	Minor concerns about studies addressing <u>barriers</u> : Main areas of concern were incomplete reporting of recruitment strategy, and data collection (4 each); and inssuficient reporting of study purpose (3)	No or very minor concerns about studies addressing <u>barriers</u> .	Barriers: 6 studies including 1480 participants Moderate concerns. Four of the six studies in this area do not adequately describe qualitative data collection and analyses	No or very minor concerns about studies addressing barriers.	Moderate confidence.	Concerns due to the lack of methodological rigor and description of findings related inequity

Summary of Review Findings	Number of Studies Contributing	Methodological Limitations (CASP Rating)	Coherence	Adequacy	Relevance	CERQual Assessment of Confidence in the Evidence	Explanation of CERQual Rating
Suggestions: Patients can provide suggestions for better telehealth implementation, and implementation	Facilitators (5) Haase, 2021 ⁸⁹ Clair, 2021 ⁸² Costa, 2021 ⁸³ Silviero, 2021 ⁹⁰ Jassil, 2022 ⁸⁸	<u>Minor concerns</u> about studies addressing <u>facilitators</u> :Recruitment strategy, and description of data collection were poorly reported in two studies each Aims were not stated, and ethical issues were not addressed in one study each. Details on the research design and statements of findings were poorly reported in one study each.	No or very minor concerns about studies addressing <u>facilitators</u> .	Facilitators: 5 studies including 500 participants Suggestions. Moderate concerns. Two of the five studies in this area provide insufficient detail recruitment strategy and data collection. About data collection and data analyses, leading to lowered confidence in the well-detailed findings related to suggestions that facilitate the implementation of telehealth services.	No or very minor concerns about studies addressing <u>facilitators.</u>	Moderate confidence.	Concerns due to the lack of methodological rigor and description of findings related to patient suggestions to improve telehealth

Summary of Review Findings	Number of Studies Contributing	Methodological Limitations (CASP Rating)	Coherence	Adequacy	Relevance	CERQual Assessment of Confidence in the Evidence	Explanation of CERQual Rating
Advantages Advantages: Patients feel that telehealth improves access to care, services, and convenience.	Facilitators (4) Triantafillou, 2021 ⁹¹ Donovan, 2021 ⁷⁰ Javanparast, 2021 ⁹² Adams, 2021 ⁶⁷	<u>Minor to moderate</u> <u>concerns</u> about studies addressing <u>facilitators</u>	<u>No or very</u> <u>minor</u> <u>concerns</u> about studies addressing <u>facilitators</u>	Facilitators: 4 studies including 244 participants Advantages. Moderate concerns. Two of the four studies presented limited detail about the qualitative methodology and data findings. ^{67, 91} In one of these, ⁹¹ the authors did not audio- record the interviews and they were "transcribed in real time, with occasional use of paraphrase." This leads to a lack of confidence in the accurate recording, and analysis, of narratives. The other two studies included in this section provided sufficient detail about data collection and analyses.	<u>No or very</u> <u>minor</u> <u>concerns</u> about studies addressing <u>facilitators.</u>	Moderate confidence.	Concerns due to the lack of methodological rigor and description of findings related advantages of telehealth
Appropriateness of fit Some patients believe that telehealth is appropriate for their care, and others feel that telehealth is not appropriate for care provision in certain situatiosn	Facilitators (7) Subotic, 2020 ⁷³ Costa, 2021 ⁸³ Saad, 2021 ⁹³ Van Dam, 2021 ⁹⁴ Nguyen, 2022 ⁸⁷ Rezich, 2021 ⁹⁵ Edge, 2021 ⁹⁶	Minor concerns about studies addressing facilitators:Six studies did not adequately address data collection, three did not adequately describe data analysis, two did not describe recruitment, and one study did not express a clear statement of purpose.		Facilitators: 7 studies including 1445 participants Appropriateness of Fit. Moderate concerns. Most of the studies provided inadequate detail of the data collection (no description of the tool used), and three inadequately described the data analysis.	No or very minor concerns about studies addressing <u>facilitators.</u>	Moderate confidence.	Concerns poorly detailed description of findings related to appropriateness of fit

Summary of Review Findings	Number of Studies Contributing	Methodological Limitations (CASP Rating)	Coherence	Adequacy	Relevance	CERQual Assessment of Confidence in the Evidence	Explanation of CERQual Rating
Changes to Practice Telehealth can lead to changes in the way medical/substance abuse practice is conducted.	Facilitator (1) Walters, 2022 ⁹⁷	Minor concerns about studies addressing facilitators. The one study addressing this theme did not provide sufficient information about study aims, recruitment, or data analysis	<u>No or very</u> <u>minor</u> <u>concerns</u> about studies addressing <u>facilitators</u>	Facilitators: 1 study including 37 participants Changes to practice: Serious concerns. One small study addressed this topic	No or very minor concerns about studies addressing <u>changes to</u> <u>pravtice</u>	Low confidence	A single, small study with multiple minor methodologic flaws addressed this theme.
Future of telehealth Patient receiving obstetric care or mental health services are not positive about using telehealth as a regular care provision in the future	Facilitator (3) Stanhope, 2022 ⁹⁸ San Juan, 2021 ⁹⁹ Dennett, 2021 ¹⁰⁰	Minor concerns about studies addressing facilitators. One study each did not adequately describe aims, data collection, and data analysis. One study did not include information on ethical issues. Two studies did not sufficiently address recruitment strategy.	<u>No or very</u> <u>minor</u> <u>concerns</u> about studies addressing <u>facilitators</u>	Facilitators: 3 studies including 439 participants Future of telehealth Minor concerns Three studies with minor methodologic issues across all.	<u>Minor</u> <u>concerns</u> about studies addressing <u>the future of</u> <u>telehealth</u> <u>due to</u> <u>limited</u> <u>types of</u> <u>patient</u> <u>populations</u>	Moderate confidence	All studies had minor methodologic concerns, and the study populations were limited to those receiving obstetric care or mental health care.

CASP= Critical Appraisal Skills Programme ; CERQual = Confidence in the Evidence from Reviews of Qualitative Research; NA=not available

Barrier or Facilitator Category	Population	Qualitative Studies	Surveys
Telehealth literacy (barrier)	Studies, participants: N (n)	7 (229)	6 (1179)
	Telehealth Mode	Video (5); not reported (2)	Video (5) NR (1)
	Country (ies)	US (6); Denmark (1)	US (5); Germany 1
	Healthcare System	Includes representatives from single large facilities or organizations (1); large regionally representative (1); not reported (5)	single large facilities or organizations (1); large regionally representative (1); not reported (4)
	Clinical/specialty Area	Primary/general care (3); dietician (2); prenatal care (1); oncology (1)	General care (2), mental health (1), transplant (1), prenatal care (1), sports medicine (1)
	Study period	Early COVID (3); General COVID (2) Later COVID (2)	Early COVID (4); General COVID (1)Later COVID (1)
Telehealth Literacy (facilitator)	Studies, participants: N (n)	3 (233)	3 (946)
/	Telehealth Mode	Video (1); NR (1)	Video (2), telephone only (1)
	Country (ies)	US (3)	US (1), Germany (1), South Korea (1)
	Healthcare System	Includes representatives from single large facilities or organizations (1); NR (2)	Limited study of a small healthcare system (1), NR (2)
	Clinical/specialty Area	Primary care (1); prenatal care (1); dietician (1)	Sports medicine (1), psychology (1), mixed medical/surgical (2)
	Study period	Early COVID (1); Later COVID (2)	Early COVID (1); General COVID (1), Later COVID (1)
Cost (barrier)	Studies, participants: N (n)	19 (1,173)	5 (1034)
	Telehealth Mode	Video (12); telephone only (1), not stated (6)	Video (2), NR (3)
	Country (ies)	US (12), Australia (2), New Zealand (1), UK (1), Multi (4)	US (1), Australia (2), Canada (1), multiple (1)
	Healthcare System	Nationally representative (1), Includes representatives from single large facilities or organizations (3); limited population (1), not reported (14)	Representative of a single large facility (1), NR (4)
	Clinical/specialty Area	Primary care (4); mental/behavioral health (3); dietician (2), prenatal care (1), chronic disease (1), oncology (2), opioid treatment (1), mixed (1), rheumatology (1), hospice/palliative care (1), nephrology (1), social services (1)	Primary/general care (2), physiotherapy (1), neurology (1), NR (1)
	Study period	Early COVID (7); General COVID (5); Later COVID (7)	Early COVID (3); General COVID (1), Later COVID (1)
Cost (facilitator)	Studies, participants: N (n)	1 (22)	2 (686)
· •	Telehealth Mode	US (1)	NR (2)

Table C.5. Matrix comparing qualitative and quantitative studies addressing provider barriers and facilitators

Barrier or Facilitator Category	Population	Qualitative Studies	Surveys
— — —	Country (ies)	NR (1)	Lithuania (1), multi (1)
	Healthcare System	NR (1)	NR (2)
	Clinical/specialty Area	Mental health (1)	Neurology (2)
	Study period	Early COVID (1)	Early COVID (1) Later COVID (1)
Privacy (barrier)	Studies, participants: N (n)	8 (495)	NR
	Telehealth Mode	US (2), Ireland (1), UK (1), Latvia (1),	NR
		Australia (1), New Zealand (1), Mixed (1)	
	Country (ies)	Video (1), Telephone only or video (1)NR (6)	NR
	Healthcare System	Nationally representative (2), NR (5), Other (2)	NR
	Clinical/specialty Area	Mental/behavioral health (4), physical aor	NR
		rehab therapy (1), primary care (1),	
		oncology (1), Other (2)	
	Study period	General COVID (5), Later COVID (4)	NR
Privacy (facilitator)	Studies, participants: N (n)	2 (885)	NR
	Telehealth Mode	Telephone or video (1), not reported (1)	NR
	Country (ies)	US (1), Australia (1)	NR
	Healthcare System	Nationally representative (1), not reported (1)	NR
	Clinical/specialty Area	Mental health (1), oncology (1)	NR
	Study period	Later COVID (2)	NR
Outcomes (barrier)	Studies, participants: N (n)	14 (2768)	1 (14)
	Telehealth Mode	Video (9); NR (6)	NR
	Country (ies)	US (6), UK (2), The Netherlands (2), Switzerland (1), Israel (1), Finland (1), Australia (1)	US
	Healthcare System	Includes representatives from single large facilities or organizations (2); nationally representative (1); not reported (11)	NR
	Clinical/specialty Area	Mental/behavioral health (3); physical rehab or occupational therapy (3); opioid treatment (1), neuropsychology (1), dermatology (1), dietician (1), orhtopedics (1), occuloplastics (1), other medical specialists (1), palliative care (1)	Neurosurgery
	Study period	Early COVID (10); General COVID (2); Later COVID (2)	General COVID
Outcomes (facilitator)	Studies, participants: N (n)	23 (2611)	1 (89)
· · · · · ·	Telehealth Mode	Video (14), telephone only (1), NR (8)	Video

Barrier or Facilitator Category	Population	Qualitative Studies	Surveys
	Country (ies)	US (16), Switzerland (2), The Netherlands (2), UK (1), Denmark, (1),	US
	Healthcare System	Spain (1) Large regionally representative (1), representative of a single large facility (4), nationally representative (1), NR (17)	Limited size healthcare system
	Clinical/specialty Area	Mental/behavioral health (3), opioid treatment (2), other mixed groups of providers (11), primary care (3), physical rehab (2)	Psychology
	Study period	Easry COVID (1), General COVID (8), Later COVIDE (5)	Later COVID
Communication (barrier)	Studies, participants: N (n)	11 (476) numbers not reported in one focus group	5 (445)
	Telehealth Mode	Video (8); NR (3)	Video (3), telephone only (1), NR (1)
	Country (ies)	US (9); Denmark (1), Israel (1)	US (3), The Netherlands (1), multi (1)
	Healthcare System	Includes representatives from single large facilities or organizations (3); nationally representative organization (1); limited study (1) and not reported (6)	Representative of a single large facility (1), NR (4)
	Clinical/specialty Area	Mental/behavioral health (4), primary care (2), opioid treatment (1), lactation professionals (1), NR (1)	Rheumatology (1), neurology (1), advanced practice (1), NR (2)
	Study period	Early COVID (7); General COVID (4)	Early COVID (4), Later COVID (1)
Communication (facilitator)	Studies, participants: N (n)	9 (1334)	1 (89)
	Telehealth Mode	Video (4); NR (5)	Video
	Country (ies)	US (6); Australia (1), Finland (1), The Netherlands (1)	US
	Healthcare System	Includes representatives from single large facilities or organizations (1); limited study (2); nationally representative (1) NR (5)	Limited size healthcare system
	Clinical/specialty Area	Mental/behavioral health (2), opioid treatment (1), physical rehab (1), prenatal care (1), dietician (1), lactation professionals (1), healthcare workers, unspecified (1), NR (1)	Psychology
	Study period	Early COVID (6); General COVID (2); Later COVID (1)	Later COVID
Inequity (barrier)	Studies, participants: N (n)	19 (4200)	8 (750)
	Telehealth Mode	Video (13), telephone only (1), NR (5)	Videao (2), Telephone only (1), NR (5)
	Country (ies)	US (14), UK (1), The Netherlands (1), Switzerland (1), Canada (1), Australia (1)	US (3), Australia (1), Canada (1). UK (1), The Netherlands (1), Multi (1)

Barrier or Facilitator Category	Population	Qualitative Studies	Surveys
	Healthcare System	Nationally representative (1), Representative od a single large facility (4), NR (14)	Representative of a single large facility (1), Limited size healthcare system (1), NR (6)
	Clinical/specialty Area	Mental/behavioral health (6), Primary care (2), opioid treatment (2), Physical rehab/occupational therapy (2), palliative care (1), dietician (2), substance abuse (1), social work (1), neurology (1), NR (1)	Rheumetology (1), neurology (1), transplant (1), primary care (1), advance practice (1), endocrine (1), NR (2)
	Study period	Early COVID (11), general COVID (5), later COVID (3)	Early COVID (4), Later COVID (4)
Inequity (facilitator)	NR	NR	NR
Technical Issues and digital literacy (barrier)	Studies, participants: N (n)	27 (4500)	12 (3426)
	Telehealth Mode	Video (12), telephone only (1), NR (14)	Video (6), NR (6)
	Country (ies)	US (15), UK (2), Switzerland (2), Australia (2), The Netherlands (1), Italy (1), Israel (1), multiple countries (3)	US (6), Canada (1), Germany (1), Ireland (1), Israel (1), Switzerland (1), UK (1)
	Healthcare System	Nationally representative (1), representative of a single large facility (5), NR (21)	Representative of a single large facility (2, Large reagionally representative system (2), NR (8),
	Clinical/specialty Area	Mental health (2), physical rehab/occupational therapy (2), Opioid/drug treatment (5), neurology (2), oncology (1), palliative care (1), treatment providers (1), medical specialists (1), dietician (1), neuropsychologist (1), geriatrics (1), hospice (1), lactation professionals (1), dermatology (1), chronic disease (1), prenatal care (1), genetic counselling (1), primary care (1), neurology (1), NR (1)	Mental health (1), primary care (4), nutritio (1), neurology (2), advanced practice (1), allergy (1), ob.gyn (1), NR (1)
	Study period	Early COVID (16), general COVID (7), later COVID (4)	Early COVID (6), general COVID (2), later COVID (3), comparative (1)
Technical issues (facilitator)	NR	NR	NR
Appropriateness of Fit (barrier)	NR	NR	NR
Appropriateness of Fit (facilitator)	Studies, participants: N (n)	5 (261)	NR
. ,	Telehealth Mode	Video (3), NR (2)	NR
	Country (ies)	US (2), Switzerland (1), Denmark (1), NR (1)	NR
	Healthcare System	NR (5)	NR
	Clinical/specialty Area	General practice (3), opioid and alcohol/drug treatment (2)	NR

Barrier or Facilitator Category	Population	Qualitative Studies	Surveys	
	Study period	Early COVID (2), general COVID (1),	NR	
		later COVID (2)		
Future use	Studies, participants: N (n)	15 (594)	NR	
	Telehealth Mode	Video (5), telephone only (1), not	NR	
		reported (9)		
	Country (ies)	US (9), UK (1), Canada (2), Australia (2),	NR	
		mixed (1)		
	Healthcare System	Nationally representative (3), Mixed (4),	NR	
		small population (1), not reported (7)		
	Clinical/specialty Area	Primary care (5), speech/language (2),	NR	
		oncology (2), emergency medicine (1),		
		social services (1), cardiology (1), mixed		
		(1), mental health (1), opioid use (1)		
	Study period	General COVID (5), Later COVID (8),	NR	
		Compares early vs later (1)		
Preparation for future use	Studies, participants: N (n)	3 (94)	NR	
	Telehealth Mode	Telephone only or video (3)	NR	
	Country (ies)	US (1), Australia (1), mixed (1)	NR	
	Healthcare System	Nationally representative (1), not	NR	
		reported (2)		
	Clinical/specialty Area	Mixed (3)	NR	
	Study period	Later COVID (3)	NR	
Change in practice	Studies, participants: N (n)	7 (293)	NR	
	Telehealth Mode	Video (1), Telephone only or video (2),	NR	
		not stated (4)		
	Country (ies)	US (3), Canada (1), Australia (1), Mixed	NR	
		(2)		
	Healthcare System	Nationally representative (1), not	NR	
		reported (6)		
	Clinical/specialty Area	Primary care (2), oncology (1), therapy	NR	
		(1), hospice/palliative care (1),		
		Cardiology (1), opioid use disorder (1)		
	Study period	General COVID (3), Later COVID (3),	NR	
		compares early to later (1)		

NR=not reported US=United States UK=United Kingdom ESRD=end-stage renal disease

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Telehealth literacy Telehealth literacy of patients is considered a barrier to care by providers. Providers noted that their own telehealth literacy can be reduced through training.	Barriers (6): Brunton, 2021 ¹⁰¹ Due, 2021 ¹⁰² Madden, 2020 ¹⁰³ Marshall, 2021 ¹⁰⁴ Ritchie, 2021 ¹⁰⁵ Singh, 2021 ¹⁰⁶ Rosenthal-2021 ¹⁰⁷ Facilitators (3): Alkureeishi, 2021 ¹⁰⁸ Brunton, 2021 ¹⁰¹ Madden, 2020 ¹⁰³	Minor concerns about studies addressing <u>barriers</u> : Concerns about recruitment strategy were noted in four of the six studies; information on data collection was either missing, or the survey guide was not provided in two studies; and information on data analysis was lacking or missing in two studies. <u>Moderate concerns</u> about studies addressing <u>facilitators</u> : Concerns about recruitment strategy were noted in two studies; survey instrument was not provided for one study; ethical issues were not sufficiently addressed in one study, and data analysis was insufficient or poorly described in two studies.	No or very minor concerns about studies addressing barriers: No or very minor concerns about studies addressing facilitators:	Barriers: 7 studies including 229 participantsModerate concerns. Six studies contributed to this finding. Four of six studies did not adequately describe the recruitment strategy; information on data analysis was lacking or missing in two studies. Only one study provided a rich presentation of data related to telehealth literacy.Facilitators: 3 studies including 233 participantsModerate concerns. Three studies contributed to this finding. Sufficiency of detail regarding methods of data analyses. None of the three studies adequately described the qualitative strategy; data analysis was insufficient or poorly described in two studies. TL was not adequately described in findings.	Minor concerns about studies addressing barriers: one study included clinicians and staff <u>No to very</u> minor concerns about studies addressing facilitators	Moderate confidence.	Concerns related to the transparency of data collection and analytic procedures; only one study adequately discussed findings related to telehealth literacy.

Table C.6. CERQual of studies addressing provider barriers and facilitators

Cost	Barriers (19): Brunton, 2021 ¹⁰¹	Minor concerns about studies addressing	No or very minor concerns about	Barriers: 10 studies including 982	No to very minor concerns	Moderate confidence.	Concerns related to
The cost of	Filippi, 2021 ¹⁰⁹	barriers: Eight studies	studies addressing	participants	about studies		insufficient
telehealth can	Hlubocky, 2021 ¹¹⁰	did not completely	barriers:		addressing		details
be a barrier to	Hunter, 2021 ¹¹¹	describe their		Moderate concerns	<u>barriers</u>		regarding
care due to	Madden, 2020 ¹⁰³	recruitment strategies;		regarding sufficiency of detail regarding			qualitative data
limitations of	Singh, 2021 ¹⁰⁶	three studies did not	No or very minor	data collection and	No to very		collection and
reimburseme nt.	Smithson, 2021 ¹¹² Srinivasan,	provide survey instruments or	concerns about studies addressing	methods of data	minor concerns about studies		analyses; only three of the 10
· · · · ·	2020 ¹¹³	interview guides;	facilitators:	analyses. Eight	addressing		included studies
	Wilson, 2021 ¹¹⁴	ethical issues were not		studies did not	facilitators		presented at
	Uscher-Pines ¹¹⁵	addressed in one		adequately describe	Idolitatoro		least a
	Chang, 2021 ¹¹⁶	study; and data		their recruitment			moderate
	Sloan, 2021 ¹¹⁷	analysis was missing or		strategies; data			discussion
	Van Citters,	poorly described in two		analysis was missing			related to cost
	2021 ¹¹⁸	studies		or poorly described in two studies. Only three			as a barrier or
	Guzman, 2022 ¹¹⁹			studies presented at			facilitator to
	Alpert, 2022 ¹²⁰	Sorious concorne about		least a moderate			telehealth.
	Kryszak, 2022 ¹²¹ Negi, 2022 ¹²²	Serious concerns about studies addressing		discussion of findings			
	Frey, 2021 ¹²³	facilitators: The one		related to cost.			
	Lee, 2022 ¹²⁴	included study did not					
	200, 2022	completely describe		Facilitators: 1 study			
	Facilitators (1):	recruitment strategy or		including 22			
	Brunton, 2021^{101}	the survey instrument;		participants			
		the study did not		Moderate concerns.			
		include information on		One study contributed			
		ethical issues, and did		to this finding. We had			
		not provide sufficient information on data		concerns regarding			
		analysis.		data accuracy and			
		analysis.		transparency,			
				including sufficiency of			
				details related to data collection and data			
				analyses. The one			
				included study did not			
				completely describe			
				recruitment strategy or			
				provide sufficient detail			
				about processes of			
				data analysis. This			
				study presented a			
				moderate discussion			
				related to costs.			

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Privacy Privacy, in the context of maintaining confidentiality is a concern for providers.	Barriers (8): Schoebel, 2021 ¹²⁵ Shklarski, 2021 ¹²⁶ Reynolds, 2021 ¹²⁷ Kursite, 2022 ¹²⁸ Orlowski, 2022 ¹³⁰ Rodda, 2022 ¹³¹ Webb, 2022 ¹³² Facilitators (2) Edge, 2021 ⁹⁶ Schrag, 2022 ¹³³	Moderate concerns about studies addressing <u>barriers</u> : Details about research design was inadequate in three studies. Recruitment was not described in three studies, and poorly described in one. Data collection was not defined in two studies, and poorly described in three. Data analysis was poorly described in three studies	No or very minor concerns about studies addressing barriers No or very minor concerns about studies addressing facilitators	Barriers: 8 studiesincluding 445participantsNo to very minorconcerns. Eightstudies contributed tothis finding. Thesestudies inadequatelydescribed processesof data collection andanalyses, howeverfindings related toprivacy are well-described in thestudies.Facilitators: 2 studiesincluding 885participantsMinor concerns.Studies were generallywell described andprovided sufficientdetail in theirdescription of privacyas a facilitator totelehealth.	No to very minor concerns about studies addressing barriers No to very minor concerns about studies addressing Facilitators	Moderate confidence.	Concerns related to the transparency of data collection and analytic procedures, however findings related to privacy are thoroughly described.

Outcomes	Barriers (14):	Moderate concerns	No or very minor	Barriers: 14 studies	No to very	Moderate	Concerns
	Barsom, 202174	about studies	concerns about	including 2768	minor concerns	confidence.	related to the
Telehealth	Bommersbach,	addressing barriers:	studies addressing	participants (1 study	about studies		transparency
can be a	2021 ¹³⁴	Three studies weighed	barriers:	did not report	addressing		and sufficiency
barrier to	Feijt, 2020 ¹³⁵	most heavily on this	barriere.	participant numbers of	barriers		of data
health	Gefen 2021 ¹³⁶	assessment, each of		participants in the			collection and
outcomes	Gilbert, 2021 ¹³⁷	these three studies	No or very minor	focus group)	No to very		analytic
due to lack of	Heiskanen,	only partially addressed	concerns about	roode group)	minor concerns		procedures;
physical	2021 ¹³⁸	one to three of the	studies addressing	Moderate concerns.	about studies		findings related
interaction	Kang, 2020 ¹³⁹	following domains: data	facilitators:	Fifteen studies	addressing		to outcomes are
with patients.	Klamroth-	collection, recruitment,		contribute to this	facilitators		thoroughly
However,	Marganska,	appropriate		finding regarding data	Idolitators		described in 12
providers	2021 ¹⁴⁰	methodology and		accuracy and	No to very		of the 22
noted that	Luckett, 2021 ¹⁴¹	design. Additionally,		transparency,	minor concerns		included studies
telehealth can	Parsons, 2021 ¹⁴²	two studies did not		including a lack of	about studies		related to
also give a	Singh, 2021 ¹⁰⁶	sufficiently define their		consistent and	addressing		outcomes
more holistic	Sklar, 2021 ¹⁴³	aims; study design was		sufficient detail	barriers		associate with
view of	Stewart, 2020144	only somewhat		regarding data	barrioro		telehealth.
patients and	Uscher-Pines,	appropriate for two of		collection and data			toronoaitin.
their	2020 ¹⁴⁵	the studies; seven		analyses across			
environment	2020	studies did not		studies. The majority			
and could	Facilitators (23):	sufficiently describe		of the data related to			
improve	Alkureeishi.	recruitment; survey		outcomes is			
quality of	2021 ¹⁰⁸	instruments were not		thoughtfully described			
care. Further,	Baadjou, 2020 ¹⁴⁶	provided for three		in seven of the 15			
telehealth	Barnett, 2021 ¹⁴⁷	studies; and data		articles. In the			
access	Barth, 2021 ¹⁴⁸	analysis was not well		remaining eight			
impacts	Dahl-Popolizio,	described in two.		articles, barriers to			
provider	2020 ¹⁴⁹			outcomes are only			
ability to	Due, 2021 ¹⁰²	Minor concerns about		minimally described.			
deliver care	Feijt, 2020 ¹³⁵	studies addressing		Although a majority of			
impacting	Franzosa, 2021 ¹⁵⁰	facilitators: Thirteen		the articles included			
patient	Goddard, 2021 ¹⁵¹	studies did not		here provide little			
outcomes	Gomez, 2021 ¹⁵²	sufficiently describe		information, the			
	Jimenez-	their recruitment		richness of this			
	Rodriguez,	strategies; seven did		findings in the other			
	2020 ¹⁵³	not sufficiently describe		seven articles provides			
	Klamroth-	data analysis; survey		adequate support for			
	Marganska,	instrument or interview		this finding.			
	2021 ¹⁴⁰	guide were not					
	Madden, 2020 ¹⁰³	provided in three		Facilitators: 23 studies			
	Martin, 2021 ¹⁵⁴	studies; qualitative data		including 2611			
	Murphy, 2021 ¹⁵⁵	was based on open-		participants			
	Parsons, 2021 ¹⁴²	ended question in three					
	Rosenthal-2021 ¹⁰⁷	studies. Methods, aims,					

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	Saliba- Gustafsson, 2020 ¹⁵⁶ Schindler- Ruwisch, 2021 ¹⁵⁷ Schoebel, 2021 ¹²⁵ Uscher-Pines, 2020 ¹⁴⁵ Uscher-Pines, 2021 ¹⁵⁸ Wilhite, 2021 ¹⁵⁹	and findings were poorly described in two studies each.		Moderate concerns. Twenty studies contribute to this finding regarding data accuracy and transparency. Thirteen studies did not sufficiently describe their recruitment strategies; seven study insufficiently described processes of data analysis. A sufficient number of studies gave sufficient detail about facilitators of outcomes			

Communicati	Barriers (11):	Minor concerns about	No or very minor	Barriers: 11 studies	Minor concerns	Moderate	Concerns
on	Due, 2021 ¹⁰²	studies addressing	concerns about	including 476	about studies	confidence.	related to the
	Gefen 2021 ¹³⁶	barriers: Concerns	studies addressing	participants (1 did not	addressing	connection.	transparency of
Telehealth	Lynch, 2021 ¹⁶⁰	were primarily focused	barriers:	report participant	barriers: One		data collection
can impede	Myers, 2020 ¹⁶¹	in the area of	barriers.	numbers)	study included		and analytic
communicatio	Parsons, 2020 ¹⁴²	recruitment strategy		hambersy	care providers		procedures, in
n between	Schindler-	where seven studies	No or very minor	Moderate concerns.	and hospital		addition to
provider and	Ruwisch, 2021 ¹⁵⁷	did not completely	concerns about	11 studies contribute	administrators		insufficient data
patient, while	Sklar, 2021 ¹⁴³	describe recruitment.	studies addressing	to this finding	auministrators		regarding
also	Srinivasan,	Other areas of concern	facilitators:	regarding data	Minor concerns		communication
facilitating it	2020 ¹¹³	included three studies	idolitatoro.	accuracy and	about studies		in 37.5% of
through	Uscher-Pines,	lacking information on		transparency. There	addressing		included
patient	2020 ¹¹⁵	surveys or interview		were insufficient	facilitators One		studies.
education	Uscher-Pines,	guides, poorly		descriptions of	study included		oludioo.
and	2020 ¹⁴⁵	described research		recruitment strategies	care providers		
increased	Wilhite, 2021 ¹⁵⁹	design in; poorly		in six studies; poorly	and hospital		
patient	Winnes, 2021	described aims, and		described research	administrators		
comfort from	Facilitators (9):	poor data analysis		design in two studies;			
receiving care	Feijt, 2020 ¹³⁵	description in in one		insufficient			
at home.	Heiskanen.	study each.		descriptions of data			
	2021 ¹³⁸	,		analyses in two			
	Lynch, 2021 ¹⁶⁰	Minor concerns about		studies. Four studies			
	Madden, 2020 ¹⁰³	studies addressing		thoroughly describe			
	Schindler-	Facilitators: The main		barriers to			
	Ruwisch, 2021 ¹⁵⁷	area of concern was		communication, with a			
	Singh, 2021 ¹⁰⁶	poor reporting of the		moderate discussion			
	Taylor, 2021 ¹⁶²	recruitment strategy by		or better in three			
	Uscher-Pines,	eight of the studies; two		studies. Three			
	2020 ¹⁴⁵	studies lacked		additional studies			
	Wilhite, 2021 ¹⁵⁹	information on the		including only a			
		survey instrument or		minimal discussion of			
		interview guided; and		barriers to			
		research design and		communication.			
		data analysis were					
		poorly described in one		Facilitators: 9 studies			
		study each		including 1334			
				participants (1 study			
				did not report			
				participant numbers)			
				Moderate concerns.			
				Nine studies contribute			
				to this finding			
				regarding facilitators of			
				communication via			

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				telehealth. Of concern			
				was poor reporting of			
				the recruitment			
				strategy by seven of			
				the studies; two			
				studies lacked			
				information on the			
				survey instrument or			
				interview guide; and			
				data analysis was			
				poorly described in			
				one study. Discussion of findings regarding			
				facilitators to			
				communication via			
				telehealth were well			
				described in three			
				studies and			
				moderately described			
				in three additional			
				studies. Findings			
				related to facilitators of			
				communication via			
				telehealth were only			
				minimally discussed in			
				the final three studies.			

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Inequity (19) Inequity, in the context of access to telehealth, is a concern of providers across specialty area	Barriers (19): Ashcroft, 2021 ¹⁶³ Barnett, 2021 ¹⁴⁷ Brunton, 2021 ¹⁰¹ Dahl-Popolizio, 2020 ¹⁴⁹ Feijt, 2020 ¹³⁵ Johnson, 2021 ¹⁶⁴ Klamroth- Marganska, 2021 ¹⁴⁰ Lin, 2021 ¹⁶⁵ Luckett, 2021 ¹⁴¹ Martin, 2021 ¹⁵⁴ Myers, 2020 ¹⁶¹ Ross, 2021 ¹⁶⁶ Saliba- Gustafsson, 2020 ¹⁵⁶ Schoebel, 2021 ¹²⁵ Singh, 2021 ¹⁰⁶ Sklar, 2021 ¹⁴³ Srinivasan, 2020 ¹¹³ Uscher-Pines, 2020 ¹⁴⁵	Minor concerns about studies addressing <u>barriers</u> : All subsets of barriers to access to care were assessed as having minor concerns. 12 studies noted concerns about recruitment; three studies each did not provide survey instruments or interview guides, provided insufficient information on data analyses, and based conclusions on single questions.	No or very minor concerns about studies addressing barriers:	Barriers. 19 studies including 4200 participants Minor concerns. There were minor concerns regarding data accuracy and transparency, including a lack of consistent and sufficient detail regarding data collection and data analyses across studies, however these were not noted as a major concern. At least one study quantified qualitative data and thus did not present a good discussion of the qualitative findings. Fourteen of the 19 studies addressing equity in access thoughtfully describe these findings. No studies in this area presented less than moderate discussion related to inequity of access.	No to very minor concerns about studies addressing barriers: One study addressing inequity included only hospital administrators	High confidence.	Only minor concerns related to the adequacy of findings regarding access to telehealth.

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Technology issues Technology issues: Providers feel that technology issues can negatively impact access to care across specialty area	Technical issues and digital literacy (27): Barsom, 2021 ⁷⁴ Barth, 2021 ¹⁴⁸ Cole, 2021 ¹⁶⁷ Courtney, 2021 ¹⁶⁸ Dahl-Popolizio, 2020 ¹⁴⁹ Franzosa, 2021 ¹⁵⁰ Gefen 2021 ¹³⁶ Gergerich, 2020 ¹⁶⁹ Goldberg, 2021 ¹⁷⁰ Hunter, 2021 ¹¹¹ Johnson, 2021 ¹⁶⁴ Klamroth- Marganska, 2021 ¹⁴⁰ Krok-Schoen, 2021 ¹⁷¹ Luckett, 2021 ¹⁴¹ Madden, 2020 ¹⁰³ Martin, 2021 ¹⁵⁴ Pagano, 2021 ¹⁷² Parsons, 2021 ¹⁷² Parsons, 2021 ¹⁷² Searby, 2021 ¹⁷³ Singh, 2021 ¹⁰⁶ Smithson, 2021 ¹¹² Stewart, 2020 ¹⁴⁴ Turchetti, 2021 ¹⁷⁴ Uscher-Pines, 2020 ¹⁴⁵ Uscher-Pines ¹¹⁵ Wilhite, 2021 ¹⁵⁹	Minor concerns about studies addressing <u>barriers</u> : main concerns were recruitment strategy was not well described in 17 studies, survey instrument or interview guide were not provided in seven studies, aims and data analysis were poorly described in four studies each	No or very minor concerns about studies addressing barriers:	Barriers. 27 studies including 4500 participants Minor concerns. There were minor concerns regarding data accuracy and transparency, including a lack of consistent and sufficient detail regarding data collection and data analyses across studies, however these were not noted as a major concern. At least one study quantified qualitative data and thus did not present a good discussion of the qualitative findings. All but four studies address this finding at least moderately	No to very minor concerns about studies addressing barriers	High confidence	Only minor concerns related to the adequacy of findings regarding technology issues.

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Appropriaten ess of fit: Telehealth can be used appropriately as long as alternative delivery of care is considered	Facilitators (4) Alkureeishi, 2021 ¹⁰⁸ Barth, 2021 ¹⁰⁸ Due, 2021 ¹⁰² Hunter, 2021 ¹¹¹	<u>Minor concerns</u> about studies addressing <u>facilitators</u> : All studies included concerns about recruitment, two studies did not sufficiently describe their analyses	No or very minor concerns about studies addressing facilitators:	Facilitators: 5 studies including 261 participants Minor concerns. There were moderate concerns regarding data accuracy and transparency, including a lack of consistent and sufficient detail regarding data collection and data analyses across studies. All studies describing appropriateness of fit presented at least a moderate discussion in this area	No to very minor concerns about studies addressing <u>facilitators</u>	High confidence	Only minor concerns related to the adequacy of findings regarding appropriateness of fit

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Future use Providers stressed the need for flexible modes of care delivery based on patient suitability and patient/provid er preference, citing a blended/hybri d model as the best approach for future care delivery.	15 Studies: Handley, 2022 ¹⁷⁵ Chang, 2021 ¹¹⁶ Hao, 2021 ¹⁷⁶ Hall-Mills, 2022 ¹⁷⁷ Aschcroft, 2021 ¹⁷⁸ Burton, 2022 ¹⁷⁹ Butt, 2022 ¹⁸⁰ Cartledge, 2021 ¹⁸¹ Orlowski, 2022 ¹²⁹ Hersch, 2022 ¹³⁰ Negi, 2022 ¹²² Sullivan, 2022 ¹⁸² Davoodi, 2021 ¹⁸³ DePuccio, 2022 ¹⁸⁴ Marek, 2022 ¹⁸⁵ Uscher-Pines, 2021 ¹⁵⁸	Minor Concerns Most studies did not provide sufficient information on data collection. Five studies did not sufficiently describe the data analysis. Two studies did not adequately describe the research design. One study each did not provide a clear aim or sufficient detal about recruitment. Further, three studies provided not information about recruitment.	No or very minor concerns about studies addressing future use.	16 Studies including 511 participants Minor concerns. There were moderate concerns regarding data accuracy and transparency, including a lack of consistent and sufficient detail regarding data collection and data analyses across studies, however these were not noted as a major concern. These minor concerns included: data collection not adequately described in 4 studies and data analysis (including efforts to minimize coder bias) not adequately described in 6 studies. Participant voices were adequately represented in all three reports.	<u>No to very</u> <u>minor concerns</u> about studies addressing f <u>uture use</u>	High confidence	No to very minor concerns about coherence and relevance, with minor concerns about methods and adequacy of findings related to future use.

Summary of Review Findings	Number of Studies Contributing	Methodological Limitations (CASP Rating)	Coherence	Adequacy	Relevance	CERQual Assessment of Confidence in the Evidence	Explanation of CERQual Rating
Preparedness for future implementatio n Clinics that already used telehealth in their practice, and had adequate resources and infrastructure s to support its use, were better able to pivot to increasing telehealth use.	3 studies: James, 2021 ¹⁸⁶ Der-Martirosian, 2021 ¹⁸⁷ Kryszak, 2022 ¹²¹	Moderate concerns. None of the studies provided sufficient information about how data was collected. One study each did not provide sufficient detail about study aims, or how ethical issues were addressed. Further, two studies provided no detail about recruitment strategy.	No or very minor concerns about studies addressing preparedness for future use.	3 studies including 94 participants Minor concerns. All three studies provided adequate detail regarding data collection, however data regarding analytic procedures was insufficient in two studies. Participant voices were adequately represented in all three reports.	<u>No to very</u> <u>minor concerns</u> about studies addressing <u>barriers</u>	Moderate confidence	No to very minor concerns about coherence and relevance, with minor concerns about adequacy of findings. Moderate concerns ab out methodology along with small sample size related to studies addressing preparedness for future use.

Summary of Review Findings	Number of Studies Contributing	Methodological Limitations (CASP Rating)	Coherence	Adequacy	Relevance	CERQual Assessment of Confidence in the Evidence	Explanation of CERQual Rating
Changes in Practice Telehealth was largely regarded positively, but necessitated changes to workflow, better orientation for patients, and aligning of expectations of therapy.	7 Studies Cartledge, 2021 ¹⁸¹ Frey, 2021 ¹²³ Orlowski, 2022 ¹²⁹ Burton, 2022 ¹⁷⁹ Walters, 2022 ⁹⁷ DePuccio, 2022 ¹⁸⁴ Alpert, 2022 ¹²⁰	Minor concerns Most studies did not adequately describe their data collection. Three studies insufficiently described their data analysis. One study each did not adequately describe their data analysis, or recruitment strategy. and one study each did not describe their study design or recruitment strategy at all.	No or very minor concerns about studies addressing changes in practice.	7 studies including 293 participants Minor concerns. There were minor concerns regarding data accuracy and transparency, including a lack of consistent and sufficient detail regarding data collection and data analyses across studies, however these were not noted as a major concern. These minor concerns included: data collection not adequately described in one study, data analysis not adequately described in 3 studies, and methods to prevent coder bias were not adequately represented in all three reports.	No to very minor concerns about studies addressing changes in practice	High confidence	No to very minor concerns about coherence and relevance, with minor concerns about methods and adequacy of findings related to changes in practice.

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Satisfaction or Dissatisfaction Category	Population	Qualitative Studies	Surveys
Ease of use (satisfaction)	Studies, participants: N (n)	4 (266)	8 (3363)
(,	Telehealth Mode	Video (1); telephone only (1); NR (2)	Video (3); telephone only (2); NR (4)
	Country (ies)	Australia (2); New Zealand (1), Ireland (1)	US (5); Australia (2); South Korea (1); Italy (1)
	Health concern	General (1), rheumatic (1), epilepsy (1), multiple sclerosis (1)	Cancer (2), allergy (1), dental surgery (1), dermatology (1), Orthopedics (1), COVID (1), NR (1)
	Demographics	Adult (3), NR (1); sex and race mixed	Adults (8), sex and race mixed
	Study period	Early COVID (1), general COVID (1); later COVID (1); comparative (1)	Early COVID (2), general COVID (1); later COVID (5)
Ease of use (dissatisfaction)	Studies, participants: N (n)	1 (30)	2 (248)
	Telehealth Mode	NR	NR (2)
	Country (ies)	Israel	US (2)
	Health concern	Oncology	Orthopedics (1), integrative (1)
	Demographics	Over 60	Adults (2), sex and race mixed
	Study period	General COVID	Early COVID (1); general COVID (1)
Access (satisfaction)	Studies, participants: N (n)	3 (449)	5 (595)
	Telehealth Mode	Tele-video (2); telephone only (1)	Video (3)telephone only (1); NR (1)
	Country (ies)	US (3)	US (1), Australia (2), UK (2)
	Health concern	General care (3)	Rheumatic (1), surgery (1), ob/gyn (1), genitourinary (1), NR (1)
	Demographics	Adult (3); sex and race mixed	Adult (3), elderly (1), NR (1); sex and race mixed
	Study period	Early COVID (3); later COVID (1)	Early COVID (3); general COVID (1); later COVID (1)
Access (dissatisfaction)	Studies, participants: N (n)	6 (530)	NR
(, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	Telehealth Mode	Video (3); telephone or video (2), NR (1)	NR
	Country (ies)	US (2), UK (2); Australia (1), multi (1)	NR
	Health concern	Respiratory (1), heart failure (1); rheumatology/inflammatory disease (2), general or community medicine (2)	NR
	Demographics	Adult (3),Elderly (3), sex and race mixed	NR
	Study period	General COVID (4); later COVID (1),	NR
	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	comparative (1)	
Outcomes (satisfaction)	Studies, participants: N (n)	9 (246)	2 (917)
	Telehealth Mode	Video* (3); telephone or video (2), telephone only (1), NR (3)	NR (2)
	Country (ies)	US (2), UK (2), Canada (1), Israel (2), Australia (1), multi (1)	Australia (1), Poland (1)

Table C.7. Matrix comparing qualitative and quantitative studies addressing patient satisfaction and dissatisfaction.

Satisfaction or Dissatisfaction Category	Population	Qualitative Studies	Surveys
	Health concern	Cancer (3), Kidney disease (2), physical therapy (1), mental health (1), general (1), NR (1)	Primary care (1), NR (1)
	Demographics	Adult (8), NR (1); sex and race mixed	Adult (1), elderly (1); sex and race NR
	Study period	Early COVID (2); general COVID (4); later COVID (4)	Early COVID (1); comparative 91)
Outcomes (dissatisfaction)	Studies, participants: N (n)	2 (39)	2 (493)
	Telehealth Mode	Telephone only (1), NR (1)	Telephone only (1), NR (1)
	Country (ies)	US (1), UK (1)	US (2)
	Health concern	Obstetrics (2)	Ob/gyn (1), mood disorder (1)
	Demographics	Adult (2), Female only (2); mixed race (2)	Adult (2);Female (1), race mixed
	Study period	General COVID (1), Later COVID (1)	Early COVID (1); later COVID (1)
Communication (satisfaction)	Studies, participants: N (n)	9 (410)	19 (3384)
· · · · · ·	Telehealth Mode	Video (2); telephone only (1); NR (2)	Telephone only (1), NR (1)
	Country (ies)	US (4); UK (2); New Zealand (1), Canada (1), Israel (1)	US (11); Australia (2); Canada (1), France (1), Israel (1), Italy (1), Poland (1), UK (1)
	Health concern	Mental health (2), dementia (1), NICU (1), contraception (1), oncology (1), heart failure (1), respiratory (1), general (1)	Orthopedics (2), cancer (3), cystic fibrosis (1), dental (1), dermatology (1), ENT (1), geriatrics (1), heart failure (1), NR (2), prenatal (1), primary care (1), rheumatic (1), surgery (1), other (2)
	Demographics	Adult (6), elderly (2), NR (1); sex and race mixed	Adult (11), elderly, (2), NR (6); sex and race mixed
	Study period	Early COVID (3), general COVID (1); comparative (1)	Early COVID (2)
Communication (dissatisfaction)	Studies, participants: N (n)	4 (111)	3 (556)
, , , , ,	Telehealth Mode	Video (3), NR (1)	Video (20), Telephone only (1)
	Country (ies)	UK (2), Canada (2)	Australia (1), US (1), The Netherlands (1)
	Health concern	Cancer (1), parkinsons (1), orthopedic (1), respiratory (1)	Rheumatology (1), cancer (1), prenatal (1)
	Demographics	Adult (2), elderly (2), sex mixed; race NR	Adult (1), NR (2); sex and race mixed
	Study period	Early COVID (3), comparative (1)	Early COVID (2)
Privacy (satisfaction)	Studies, participants: N (n)	3 (72)	3 (556)
	Telehealth Mode	Video (3),	Video (2), telephone only (1)
	Country (ies)	US (1), The UK (1), Australia (1)	US (1), Australia (1), The Netherlands (1)
	Health concern	Primary care (1), exercise therapy (1), NR (1)	Rheumatology (1), cancer (1), prenatal (1)
	Demographics	Adult (2), adolescent (1); sex and race mixed	Adult (1), NR (2); sex and race mixed
	Study period	general COVID (2), Later COVID (1)	Early COVID (2), general COVID (1)
Privacy (dissatisfaction	Studies, participants: N (n)	5 (371)	NR

Satisfaction or Dissatisfaction Category	Population	Qualitative Studies	Surveys
	Telehealth Mode	Video* (1), telephone or video (2) Telephone only (1), NR (1)	NR
	Country (ies)	US (2), UK (1), Canada (1), , NR (1)	NR
	Health concern	Mental health (3), perinatal (1), general (1), mental health (1)	NR
	Demographics	Adult (5), sex mixed, race NR	NR
	Study period	General COVID (3), Later COVID (2)	NR
Benefits (satisfaction)	Studies, participants: N (n)	13 (727)	NR
	Telehealth Mode	Video (7), telephone only (2), NR (4)	NR
	Country (ies)	US (5), UK (2), Canada (2), Australia (3), New Zealand (1)	NR
	Health concern	Chronic conditions (1), multiple scleriosis (1), mental illness (1), cancer (1), parkinsons disease (1), general (1), ESRD (1), aborthion (1), contraception (1), eye disease (1), sleep (1), otoloaryngology(1), eating disorder (1)	NR
	Demographics	Adult (9), elderly (2), NR (2)	NR
	Study period	Early COVID (6), General COVID (3), later COVID (3), compares (1)	NR
Preferences (dissatisfaction)	Studies, participants: N (n)	10 (2169)	NR
	Telehealth Mode	Video (5), NR (5)	NR
	Country (ies)	US (4), Australia (1), Canada (1), Ireland (1), New Zealand (1), The Netherlands (1). UK (1)	NR
	Health concern	Multiple sclerosis (1), parkinsons (1), epilepsy (1), general med (1), orthopedic (1), palliative care (1), otolaryngology (1)surgery (1), NR (2)	NR
	Demographics	Adult (6), elderly (2), NR (2)I sex and race mixed	NR
	Study period	Early COVID (5), general COVID (3), later COVID (1), comparative (1)	NR
Concerns (dissatisfaction)	Studies, participants: N (n)	5 (1516)	NR
	Telehealth Mode	Video (3), NR (2)	NR
	Country (ies)	Australia (3), US (1), Canada (1)	NR
	Health concern	General health (1), otolaryngology (1), cancer (1), multiple sclerosis (1), chronic conditions (1)	NR
	Demographics	Adults; sex and race mixed	NR
	Study period	Early COVID (3), later COVID (2)	NR

Satisfaction or Dissatisfaction Category	Population	Qualitative Studies	Surveys
Suggestions (satisfaction)	Studies, participants: N (n)	4 (68)	NR
	Telehealth Mode	Video* (1), telephone only or video (2), NR (1)	NR
	Country (ies)	UK (1), Canada (1), New Zealand (1), Israel (1)	NR
	Health concern	General (2), oncology (1), mental health (1)	NR
	Demographics	Adults; sex and race mixed	NR
	Study period	General COVID (2), later COVID (2)	NR

* video=a combination of audio and video, either via telephone plus video feed, or video conference where the two are combined.

NR = not reported; US = United States; UK = United Kingdom; ESRD = end-stage renal disease

Summary of Review Findings	Number of Studies Contributing	Methodological Limitations (CASP Rating)	Coherence	Adequacy	Relevance	CERQual Assessment of Confidence in the Evidence	Explanation of CERQual Rating
Ease of use (5) Patients find telehealth easy to use	Satisfaction(4): Adams, 2021 ⁶⁷ Banks, 2021 ¹⁸⁸ Imlach, 2020 ⁸⁴ Parkinson, 2021 ¹⁸⁹ Dissatisfaction (1): Ben-Ayre, 2021 ⁸⁰	Minor concerns about studies addressing <u>satisfaction</u> : Concerns about recruitment strategy were noted in half of the studies. One study each had concerns about research design and data collection. Data analysis was not described in one study. <u>Moderate concerns</u> about the one study addressing <u>dissatisfaction</u> : Study aims and statement of findings were poorly described, and the data analysis was insufficiently described.	No or very minor concerns about studies addressing satisfaction.	Satisfaction: 4 studies including 266 participants Moderate concerns. Four studies contributed to this finding. Only one study provided a thorough description of data collection and analyses and one study quantified the qualitative evidence, with little related synthesis. Satisfaction regarding ease of use was minimally described in 50% of the included studies. Dissatisfaction: 1 study including 30 participants Moderate concerns. One study contributed to this finding. This study did not sufficiently describe processes of data collection or analyses. In addition, this article presented only minimal findings and	No or very minor <u>concerns</u> about studies addressing <u>satisfaction</u> . <u>No or very minor</u> <u>concerns</u> about studies addressing <u>dissatisfaction</u> .	Moderate confidence.	Concerns related to sufficiency of details related to data collection and analyses. Three of five studies only minimally present / discuss satisfaction regarding ease of use.

Table C.8. CERQual of studies addressing patient satisfaction and dissatisfaction

Summary of Review Findings	Number of Studies Contributing	Methodological Limitations (CASP Rating)	Coherence	Adequacy	Relevance	CERQual Assessment of Confidence in the Evidence	Explanation of CERQual Rating
Access (5) Telehealth facilitates access to care, but patients have some privacy concerns.	Satisfaction (3): Frayn, 2021 ⁷⁹ Newman-Casey, 2021 ¹⁹⁰ Stifani, 2021 ⁷² Dissatisfaction (6): Birkhoff, 2021 ⁸¹ Philip, 2020 ⁸⁵ Sloan, 2021 ¹¹⁷ Dennett, 2021 ¹⁰⁰ Sloan, 2022 ¹⁹¹ Sharma, 2022 ⁶⁶	<u>Minor concerns</u> about studies addressing <u>satisfaction</u> : One study did not sufficiently describe data collection and data analysis. <u>Minor concerns</u> about studies addressing <u>dissatisfaction</u> : Five of the six studies did not sufficiently describe recruitment and data collection, and recruitment was not sufficiently described in	No or very minor concerns about studies addressing satisfaction. No or very minor concerns about studies addressing dissatisfaction.	discussion related to dissatisfaction with ease of use. Satisfaction: 3 studies including 449 participants <u>Minor concerns</u> . Three studies contributed to this finding. Only one study offered rigorous description of qualitative data collection and analysis. Satisfaction with access was adequately described in two of	No or very minor concerns about studies addressing <u>satisfaction.</u> No or very minor <u>concerns</u> about studies addressing <u>dissatisfaction</u> .		Concerns related to sufficiency of details related to data collection and analyses, but only minor concerns regarding findings, which provide sufficient data regarding satisfaction, thus producing confidence in the reported findings.
		three of the studies. Additionally, one study each did not clearly state aims, and did not describe methodology adequately. Data analysis was not or poorly described in two studiesdescribed.		the three studies. Dissatisfaction: 6 studies including 530 participants <u>Minor concerns.</u> Most studies lacked sufficient detail regarding qualitative data collection and analysis, however dissatisfaction with access was fully described in both studies.			

Summary of Review Findings	Number of Studies Contributing	Methodological Limitations (CASP Rating)	Coherence	Adequacy	Relevance	CERQual Assessment of Confidence in the Evidence	Explanation of CERQual Rating
Health Outcomes (11) Patients perceive telehealth as beneficial to their health outcomes.	Satisfaction (9): Di Lalla, 2021 ¹⁹² Granberg, 2021 ⁷¹ Ben-Ayre, 2021 ⁸⁰ Laden, 2021 ¹⁹³ Mozes, 2022 ⁸⁶ Barton, 2022 ¹⁹⁴ San Juan, 2021 ⁹⁹ Jassil, 2022 ⁸⁸ Sharma, 2022 ⁶⁶ Dissatisfaction (2) Stanhope, 2022 ⁹⁸ Silverio, 2021 ⁹⁰	Minor concerns about studies addressing <u>satisfaction</u> : three studies each did not sufficiently describe data collection or recruitment, two studies did not clearly state aims, and one study each poorly described aims and did not have a clear statement of findings. One study did not describe the ethical considerations. <u>Minor concerns</u> about studies addressing dis <u>satisfaction</u> : One study did not describe the ethical considerations	No or very minor concerns about studies addressing satisfaction. No or very minor concerns about studies addressing dissatisfaction.	Satisfaction: 9 studies including 246 participants <u>Minor concerns</u> . Some methodologic concerns were found across studies, primariy poor reporting of how data was collected, and lack of detail about recruitment strategy. Satisfaction regarding outcomes were moderately described in two of the three studies, and minimally in the third. Dissatisfaction: 2 studies including 39 participants <u>Minor concerns. Due</u> to a lack of an ethics <u>statement in one</u> <u>study. Clear</u> <u>statements of</u> <u>dissatisfaction in</u> <u>obstetrics</u> <u>populations were</u> <u>clearly described</u>	No or very minor concerns about studies addressing <u>satisfaction.</u> No or very minor <u>concerns</u> about studies addressing dis <u>satisfaction.</u>	High confidence.	Minor concerns related to sufficiency of detail related to data collection and analyses, but sufficient description of outcomes lead us to have confidence in the findings.
Communicat ion (11) Patients are satisfied with	Satisfaction (9): Ben-Ayre, 2021 ⁸⁰ Birkhoff, 2021 ⁸¹ CampbellYao, 2021 ¹⁹⁵	Moderate concerns about studies addressing <u>satisfaction</u> : Over half (5) of the studies did not	No or very minor concerns about studies addressing satisfaction:	Satisfaction: 9 studies including 410 participants	<u>No or very minor</u> <u>concerns</u> about studies addressing <u>satisfaction</u> .	Moderate confidence.	Concerns related to sufficiency of details related to data collection and analyses. Concerns

Summary of Review Findings	Number of Studies Contributing	Methodological Limitations (CASP Rating)	Coherence	Adequacy	Relevance	CERQual Assessment of Confidence in the Evidence	Explanation of CERQual Rating
telehealth and it's impacts on communicati on, but noted some concerns about it along with some suggestions for improvemen t	Cooper, 2021 ¹⁹⁶ Imlach, 2020 ⁸⁴ Kang, 2021 ¹⁹⁷ Philip, 2020 ⁸⁵ Stifani, 2021 ⁷² Wood, 2021 ¹⁹⁸ Dissatisfaction (4): Anghelescu, 2021 ⁷⁶ Di Lalla, 2021 ¹⁹² Philip, 2020 ⁸⁵ Robinson, 2021 ¹⁹⁹	sufficiently describe data collection, and did not sufficiently describe recruitment strategy. Three studies did not sufficiently describe data analysis, state the study aims, or use an appropriate qualitative methodology. Two studies did not use an appropriate study design, or provide a clear statement of findings. <u>Minor concerns</u> about studies addressing <u>dissatisfaction</u> : three studies did not sufficiently describe recruitment, or sufficiently describe data collection. Two studies did not sufficiently describe data analysis. One study did not describe study aims.	No or very minor concerns about studies addressing dissatisfaction.	Moderate concerns. Nine studies contributed to this finding. Two of the nine studies did not adequately describe methods of qualitative data collection or analyses. Six of the nine (67%) studies present at least a moderate discussion regarding satisfaction with communication via telehealth. Dissatisfaction: 4 studies including 111 participants <u>Moderate concerns</u> . Five studies contribute to this finding. Data analyses were not thoroughly described in two studies. Three of the five studies engage only a minimal discussion of dissatisfaction with communication via telehealth.	No or very minor concerns about studies addressing dissatisfaction.		related to the sufficiency of discussions related to communication via telehealth.
Privacy (1)	Satisfaction (3) Allison, 2022 ²⁰⁰ Jassil, 2022 ⁸⁸	<u>Minor concerns</u> about studies addressing <u>Satisfaction</u> : Insufficient	No or very minor concerns about	Satisfaction: 3 studies including 72 participants	<u>No or very minor</u> <u>concerns</u> about studies	High confidence	Minor concerns related to the details related to the

Summary of Review Findings	Number of Studies Contributing	Methodological Limitations (CASP Rating)	Coherence	Adequacy	Relevance	CERQual Assessment of Confidence in the Evidence	Explanation of CERQual Rating
Patients have concerns related to privacy issues and telehealth	Van Dam, 2021 ⁹⁴ Dissatisfaction (5) Kang, 2021 ¹⁹⁷ San Juan, 2021 ⁹⁹ Singla, 2022 ²⁰¹ Sharma, 2022 ⁶⁶ Smith-MacDonald, 2021 ²⁰²	description of data collection tools was found in two studies, one study each did not sufficiently describe the recruitment strategy or data analysis <u>Minor concerns</u> about studies addressing <u>Dissatisfaction</u> <u>One study each did not</u> <u>sufficiently describe</u> <u>methodology,</u> <u>recruitment strategy,</u> <u>data analysis, or aims.</u> <u>Ons study provided no information on aims.</u> <u>Two studies provided insufficient information about data collection tools, and one study provided no information <u>about how data was</u> <u>collected.</u></u>	studies addressing satisfaction. No or very minor concerns about studies addressing dissatisfaction.	Minor concerns. Insufficient information was provided about recruitment, data collection, and data analysis. Studies include extensive discussion of privacy Dissatisfaction: 5 study including 371 participants <u>Minor concerns</u> . Methodologic concerns were minor but evident across all studies. The studies included detailed description of privacy concerns of patients.	addressing <u>dissatisfaction.</u>		survey instrument. Detailed discussions of patient perspectives on privacy
Benefits (13) Patients report general satisfaction and benefits of telehealth	Imlach, 2020 ⁸⁴ Triantafillou, 2021 ⁹¹ Di Lalla, 2021 ¹⁹² Antoun, 2021 ⁷⁸ Boydell, 2021 ⁶⁹ Stifani, 2021 ⁷² Newman-Casey, 2021 ¹⁹⁰ Donovan, 2021 ⁷⁰	Minor concerns about studies addressing <u>benefits</u> : The primary area of concern was lack of sufficient detail in describing the data analysis (5 studies) and poorly described recruitment strategy (3). Interview/survey were not provided in two studies; ethical	No or very minor concerns about studies addressing benefits.	Benefits: 13 studies including 2078 participants <u>Moderate concerns</u> . Thirteen studies contribute to this finding. Only one of the studies did not adequately describe methods of qualitative data	<u>No or very minor</u> <u>concerns</u> about studies addressing <u>benefits</u> .	Moderate confidence.	Minor concerns related to sufficiency of details related to data collection and analyses. Moderate concerns related to the sufficiency of discussions regarding benefits contributing to

Summary of Review Findings	Number of Studies Contributing	Methodological Limitations (CASP Rating)	Coherence	Adequacy	Relevance	CERQual Assessment of Confidence in the Evidence	Explanation of CERQual Rating
	Anghelescu, 2021 ⁷⁶ Parkinson, 2021 ¹⁸⁹ Cook, 2021 ²⁰³ Javanparast, 2021 ²⁰⁴ Frayn, 2021 ⁷⁹	considerations were not noted in 2 studies, and on study did not include a clear statement of findings.		collection or analyses. Six of the thirteen studies (46.1%) present at least a moderate discussion regarding benefits contributing to satisfaction with telehealth.			satisfaction with telehealth.
Preferences (10) In general patients prefer face to face visits with their healthcare provider, but noted that telehealth was more convenient and may be better suited for some forms of care.	Imlach, 2020 ⁸⁴ Triantafillou, 2021 ⁹¹ LaRoche, 2021 ²⁰⁵ Zhu, 2020 ²⁰⁶ Banks, 2021 ¹⁸⁸ Barsom, 2021 ⁷⁴ Anghelescu, 2021 ⁷⁶ Bethel, 2021 ⁶⁸ Parkinson, 2021 ¹⁸⁹ Robinson, 2021 ¹⁹⁹	Minor concerns about studies addressing <u>preferences</u> : The main area of concern was poor description of recruitment strategy (9 studies). Data collection (either provision of survey or interview guide) was missing in 5 studies. Data analysis was poorly described in 4 studies. Other areas of concern were poor study design (2), or clear statement of aim, or findings (1 each).	No or very minor concerns about studies addressing benefits.	Preferences: 10 studies including 1991 participants <u>Minor concerns</u> . Minimal presentation of qualitative methods in three of the ten included studies. Discussion of preferences regarding telehealth were moderately or thoroughly discussed in 8 of the 10 included studies (80%).	Minor concerns about studies addressing <u>benefits</u> : One included study was a public opinion poll of abortion services via telehealth.	High confidence.	Minor concerns related to sufficiency of detail related to data collection and analyses, but sufficient description of preferences regarding telehealth and we have confidence in the findings.
Concerns (5) Patients have concerns about telehealth use for complex	Isautier, 2020 ⁶⁴ Triantafillou, 2021 ⁹¹ Di Lalla, 2021 ¹⁹² Parkinson, 2021 ¹⁸⁹ Javanparast, 2021 ²⁰⁴	<u>Minor concerns</u> about studies addressing <u>concerns</u> : Two studies did not sufficiently describe recruitment strategy, and one study did not include a statement on ethics, and the data analysis	No or very minor concerns about studies addressing concerns.	Concerns: 5 studies including 1573 participants <u>Moderate concerns</u> . Five studies contributed to this finding. Two of the studies provided insufficient detail	No or very minor concerns about studies addressing concerns.	Moderate confidence.	Concerns related to limited findings applicable to concerns relevant to satisfaction with telehealth.

Summary of Review Findings	Number of Studies Contributing	Methodological Limitations (CASP Rating)	Coherence	Adequacy	Relevance	CERQual Assessment of Confidence in the Evidence	Explanation of CERQual Rating
care. They also have concerns about setup, and the lack of personal care via telehealth.		was not sufficiently described.		regarding qualitative methods of data collection and analyses. Concerns were only moderately described in three of the five studies, and insufficiently described in the other two.			
Suggestions (4) Patients feel that trust and developing rapport with providers is beneficial to telehealth.	Imlach, 2020 ⁸⁴ Ben-Ayre, 2021 ⁸⁰ San Juan, 2021 ⁹⁹ Dainty, 2022 ⁶⁵	<u>Minor concerns about</u> studies addressing <u>suggestions /</u> <u>facilitators</u> : One study each had the following concerns: no clear statement of aims, poor description of recruitment strategy, data analysis not described. Two studies each had inadequate statements of aims, and poor or no description of recruitment strategy.	No or very minor concerns about studies addressing suggestions/ facilitators.	Concerns: 4 studies including 122 participants <u>Moderate concerns</u> . Four studies including 122 participants contributed to this findingAll studies did not sufficiently describe their overall methodology, with one study lacking in multiple domains. Suggestions / facilitators were only minimally discussed in each study.	No or very minor concerns about studies addressing <u>suggestions/facili</u> <u>tators</u> .	Moderate confidence.	Some concerns related to sufficiency of detail regarding data collection, data analyses, and presentation of findings related to suggestions / facilitators.

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Satisfaction or Dissatisfaction Category	Population	Qualitative Studies	Surveys		
Ease of use (satisfaction)	Studies, participants: N (n)	5 (2306)	8 (711)		
(, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	Telehealth Mode	Video (1); telephone only (1); NR (3)	Video (1); telephone only (3); NR (3)		
	Country (ies)	US (3); Australia (1), UK (1)	US (3); The Netherlands (2); Canada (1), South Korea (1), France (1)		
	Healthcare system	Representative of a single large facility or organization (1); NR (4)	Representative of a single large facility or organization (2); NR (6)		
	Clinical specialty/focus	Palliative care (1), surgical (1), cancer (1), opioid use (1), mental health (1)	Prenatal care (1), rheumatology (1), pediatrics (1), primary care (1), general medical (1), ENT (1), medical specialty (1), opioid use (1)		
	Study period	Early COVID (1); general COVID (3); later COVID (1)	Early COVID (5); later COVID (2); comparative (1)		
Ease of use (dissatisfaction)	Studies, participants: N (n)	1 (30)	6 (503)		
	Telehealth Mode	NR	Video (1); telephone only (2); NR (3)		
	Country (ies)	US	US (3); Canada (1), UK (1), The Netherlands (1)		
	Healthcare system	NR	Representative of a single large facility or organization (1); large/regionally representative (1)NR (4)		
	Clinical specialty/focus	Oncology	Rheumetology (2), primary care (1), surgical (1), lymphoedema (1), opioid use (1)		
	Study period	General COVID	Early COVID (3); later COVID (2)		
Access (satisfaction)	Studies, participants: N (n)	3 (114)	4 (1409)		
	Telehealth Mode	Video (1); telephone only (1); NR (1)	Video (3); NR (1)		
	Country (ies)	US (2); The Netherlands (1)	US (2); Norway (1), The Netherlands (1)		
	Healthcare system	Representative of a single large facility or organization (1); NR (2)	Representative of a single large facility or organization (1); NR (3)		
	Clinical specialty/focus	Mental health (1), rheumatology (1), dietician (1)	Primary care (1), ob.gyn (1), medical specialists (1), neonatology (1)		
	Study period	Early COVID (1); later COVID (2)	Early COVID (3); later COVID (1)		
Access (dissatisfaction)	Studies, participants: N (n)	2 (68)	1 (100)		
	Telehealth Mode	NR	Video		
	Country (ies)	US (1), The Netherlands (1)	US		
	Healthcare system	Representative of a single large facility or organization (1); NR (1)	NR		
	Clinical specialty/focus	Mental health (2)	Plastic surgery		
	Study period	Early COVID (1); later COVID (1)	General COVID		

Table C.9. Matrix comparing qualitative and quantitative studies addressing provider satisfaction and dissatisfaction

Satisfaction or Dissatisfaction Category	Population	Qualitative Studies	Surveys
Outcomes (satisfaction)	Studies, participants: N (n)	10 (360)	6 (364)
	Telehealth Mode	Video (4); telephone only (1); NR (5)	Video (3); telephone only (2); NR (1)
	Country (ies)	US (4); UK (2), Australia (2); Multi (1), Italy (1)	US (5); The Netherlands (1)
	Healthcare system	Representative of a single large facility or organization (3); NR (7)	Representative of a single large facility or organization (2); NR (4)
	Clinical specialty/focus	Primary care (1), mental health (2), neurology (1), informatics (1), palliative care (1), lymphoedema (1), dieticians (1), Opioid use (1), genetic counseling (1)	Mental health (1), rheumatology (1), geriatrics (1), therapy (1), surgery (1), opioid use (1)
	Study period	Early COVID (2); general COVID (5); later COVID (3)	Early COVID (4); later COVID (2)
Outcomes (dissatisfaction)	Studies, participants: N (n)	8 (416)	7 (4054)
	Telehealth Mode	Video (3); telephone only (1); NR (4)	Video (1); telephone only (1); NR (5)
	Country (ies)	US (5); Australia, UK, Canada (1)	US (4); Norway (1), Lithuania (1), Multi (1)
	Healthcare system	Representative of a single large facility or organization (3); NR (5)	Representative of a single large facility or organization (1); NR (6)
	Clinical specialty/focus	Primary care (2), opioid use (2), neurology (2), physiotherapy (1), mental health (1)	Primary care (1), ob/gyn (1), neurology (2), opioid use (1), physical rehab (1), mental health (1)
	Study period	Early COVID (3); general COVID (4); later COVID (1)	Early COVID (4); later COVID (3)
Communication (satisfaction)	Studies, participants: N (n)	8 (624)	11 (1046)
	Telehealth Mode	Video (3); telephone only (2); NR (3)	Video (2); telephone only (2); NR (6)
	Country (ies)	US (5); Australia (1), UK (1), The Netherlands (1)	US (4); Australia (2); Canada (1), Multi (1), South Korea (1), UK (1), Lithuania (1)
	Healthcare system	Representative of a single large facility or organization (3); NR (5)	Representative of a single large facility or organization (3); Large/regionally representative (2); NR (6)
	Clinical specialty/focus	Primary care (2), physical rehab (2), neurology (1), rheumatology (1), social worker (1), opioid use (1)	Dermatology (1), ENT (1), rheumatology (1), medical/surgery (1), ophthalmology (1), neurology (1), surgery (1), opioid use (1), mental health (1), NR (2)
	Study period	Early COVID (5); general COVID (2); later COVID (1)	Early COVID (4); later COVID (5); compares (2)
Communication (dissatisfaction)	Studies, participants: N (n)	17 (4299)	4 (708)
	Telehealth Mode	Video (2); telephone only (2); NR (13)	Video (2); NR (2)
	Country (ies)	US (7); UK (4); Multi (2), The Netherlands (2); Italy (1), Australia (1)	US (2); Israel (1), multi (1)
	Healthcare system	Representative of a single large facility or organization (6); NR (11)	NR

Satisfaction or Dissatisfaction Category	Population	Qualitative Studies	Surveys
	Clinical specialty/focus	Mental health (4), opioid use (3), rheumatology (1), neurology (2), geriatrics (1), orthopedics (1), oncology (1), optometry (1), primary care (1), genetic counseling (1)	Mental/behavioral health (2), nutrition (1) rheumatology (1)
	Study period	Early COVID (9); general COVID (4); later COVID (4)	Early COVID (2); later COVID (2)
Benefits (satisfaction)	Studies, participants: N (n)	24 (3399)	NR
	Telehealth Mode	Video (8), telephone only (1), NR (14)	NR
	Country (ies)	US (11), UK (4), The Netherlands (3), Spain (1), Ne Zealand (1), Multi (1), France (1), Australia (1)	NR
	Healthcare system	Representative of a single large facility or organization (3), large reagiona1 (1), limited population (1), NR (19)	NR
	Clinical specialty/focus	Primary care (5), Mental health (3), neurology (2), rheumatology (1), social work (1), substance use (1), non-medical healthcare workers (1), surgical (1), medical specialists (2), dietician (1), cancer (1), opioid use (1), domestic violence (1), physical rehab (1), NR (2)	NR
	Study period	Early COVID (11), general COVID (8), later covid (5)	NR
Preferences (dissatisfaction)	Studies, participants: N (n)	16 (3175)	NR
, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	Telehealth Mode	Video (8), NR (8)	NR
	Country (ies)	US (6), UK (3), The Netherlands (2), New Zealand (1), Israel (1), France (1), Denmark (1), Australia (1)	NR
	Healthcare system	Representative of a single large facility or organization (5), NR (9)	NR
	Clinical specialty/focus	Primary care (2), mental/behavioral health (4), neurology (1), oncology (1), chronic disease (1), opioid treatment (1), physical rehab (2), domestic violence (1), specialists (3)	NR
	Study period	Early COVID (4), general COVID (8), later covid (4)	NR
Concerns (dissatisfaction)	Studies, participants: N (n)	17 (1084)	NR
· /	Telehealth Mode	Video (4), telephone only (2), NR (11)	NR

Satisfaction or Dissatisfaction Category	Population	Qualitative Studies	Surveys
	Country (ies)	US (6), The Netherlands (3), multi (2), Australia (2), Israel (1), Norway (1), Spain (1), UK (1)	NR
	Healthcare system	Large/regionally representative (1), Representative of a single large facility or organization (6), NR (10)	NR
	Clinical specialty/focus	Mental health (2), opioid use (2), physical rehab (2), oncology (2), neurology (3), palliative care (1), rheumatology (1), domestic violence (1), colorectal (1), primary care (1), NR (1)	NR
	Study period	Early COVID (6), general COVID (7), later covid (4)	NR
Suggestions (satisfaction)	Studies, participants: N (n)	11 ()	NR
	Telehealth Mode	Video (2), telephone only (1), NR (8)	NR
	Country (ies)	US (5), UK (2), The Netherlands (2), multi (1), Australia (1)	NR
	Healthcare system	Representative of a single large facility or organization (2), limited population (1), NR (8)	NR
	Clinical specialty/focus	Mental health (1), primary care (1), non- clinical healthcare workers (1), informatics (1), rheumatology (1), domestic violence (1), surgery (1), optometry (1), social work (1), abortion services (1), neurology (1)	NR
	Study period	Early COVID (6), general COVID (1), later covid (4)	NR

* video=a combination of audio and video, either via telephone plus video feed, or video conference where the two are combined.

NR = not reported; US = United States; UK = United Kingdom; ESRD = end-stage renal disease

Summary of Review Findings	Number of Studies Contributing	Methodological Limitations (CASP Rating)	Coherence	Adequacy	Relevance	CERQual Assessment of Confidence in the Evidence	Explanation of CERQual Rating
Ease of use (5) Providers find telehealth easy to use: it is more convenient, efficient, and provides better access to patients.	Satisfaction (5) Johnson, 2021 ¹⁶⁴ Marshall, 2021 ¹⁰⁴ Martin, 2021 ¹⁵⁴ Zhu, 2020 ²⁰⁶ Luckett, 2021 ¹⁴¹ Dissatisfaction (1) Marshall, 2021 ¹⁰⁴	Minor concerns about studies addressing <u>satisfaction</u> : Three studies did not adequately describe recruitment strategy and two studies did not sufficiently describe the data analysis. <u>No or very minor concerns</u> about studies addressing <u>dissatisfaction</u> : all domains were adequately described in this one study.	No or very minor <u>concerns</u> about studies addressing <u>satisfaction</u> . <u>No or very minor</u> <u>concerns</u> about studies addressing <u>dissatisfaction</u> .	Satisfaction: 5 studies including 2306 participants <u>Moderate concerns</u> regarding specificity of qualitative methodology in all studies; only three provided at least a moderate description of the methods. Findings regarding satisfaction with ease of use were very well-described in three studies and inadequately described in two. Dissatisfaction: 1 study including 30 participants <u>Serious concerns</u> regarding specificity of qualitative methodology in the one included study. Findings regarding dissatisfaction with ease of use were not adequately described.	No or very minor concerns about studies addressing <u>satisfaction</u> . <u>No or very minor</u> <u>concerns</u> about studies addressing <u>dissatisfaction</u> .	Low confidence.	Concerns due to a lack of sufficient details regarding qualitative methodology, resulting in an inability to assess rigor. In addition, there is inadequate detail regarding ease of use in three of the five included studies.

Table C.10. CERQual of studies addressing provider satisfaction and dissatisfaction.

Summary of Review Findings	Number of Studies Contributing	Methodological Limitations (CASP Rating)	Coherence	Adequacy	Relevance	CERQual Assessment of Confidence in the Evidence	Explanation of CERQual Rating
Access (4) Providers believe telehealth can increase access to care for patients in terms of travel and time. Difficulties were noted by providers, specifically poor infrastructure and difficulty accessing technology for both providers and their patients.	Satisfaction (3) Bos, 2021 ²⁰⁷ Brunton, 2021 ¹⁰¹ Bommersbach , 2021 ¹³⁴ Dissatisfaction (2) Feijt, 2020 ¹³⁵ Bommersbach , 2021 ¹³⁴	Moderate concerns about studies addressing satisfaction: The following domains were lacking sufficient description in two of the three studies: clear statement of Aims, poor description of recruitment strategy, no provision of survey instruments, data analysis was not sufficiently described. One study did not include an ethics statement. <u>Minor concerns</u> about studies addressing dissatisfaction: The following domains were lacking sufficient description in one of the two studies: clear statement of Aims, poor description of recruitment strategy, data analysis was not sufficiently described.	No or very minor concerns about studies addressing satisfaction. No or very minor concerns about studies addressing dissatisfaction.	Satisfaction: 3 studies including 114 participants <u>Moderate concerns</u> regarding specificity of qualitative methodology, which is inadequately described in all studies. Findings regarding satisfaction with access were at least moderately well-described in all three studies. Dissatisfaction: 2 studies including 68 participants <u>Moderate concerns</u> regarding specificity of qualitative methodology, which is inadequately described in both studies. Findings regarding dissatisfaction with access were at least moderately well- described in both studies.	No or very minor concerns about studies addressing satisfaction. No or very minor concerns about studies addressing dissatisfaction.	Moderate confidence.	Although the findings regarding access are well- described across studies, detail regarding qualitative methods is inadequate and thus we cannot assess methodological rigor.

Health Outcomes	Satisfaction	Minor concerns	No or very minor	Satisfaction: 10 studies	No or yory minor	Moderate	Concerns due
(15)	(10)	about studies	concerns about	including 360 participants	<u>No or very minor</u> concerns about	confidence.	to a lack of
(13)	Barnett.	addressing	studies addressing	including 500 participants	studies	connuence.	sufficient details
Providers overall	2021 ¹⁴⁷	satisfaction: Six	satisfaction.	Moderate concerns	addressing		regarding
were satisfied	Brunton,	studies did not	Salisiacion.	regarding insufficient	satisfaction.		qualitative
with telehealth's	2021 ¹⁰¹	sufficiently describe		detail regarding methods	Satisfaction.		methodology,
impact on patient	Courtney,	recruitment		of data collection and			resulting in an
outcomes. They	2021 ¹⁶⁸	strategy, three		analysis in 20% of the			inability to
also provide	Gabe-Walters,	studies did not		included studies.			assess rigor. In
conflicting views	2021 ²⁰⁸	clearly describe		Outcomes associated			addition, there
about	Luckett,	data analysis. Two		with telehealth are			is inadequate
telehealth's	2021 ¹⁴¹	studies each poorly		described in 60% of the			detail regarding
impact on patient	Malden,	described aims, or		included articles.			outcomes in
outcomes (e.g.,	2021 ²⁰⁹	did not provide					four of the
accountability).	Martin.	survey instrument or		Dissatisfaction: 8 studies			fifteen included
57	2021 ¹⁵⁴	interview guides,		including 416 participants			studies.
	Srinivasan,	qualitative data was		Minor concerns			
	2020113	gathered from only		regarding the level of			
	Turchetti,	one open-ended		detail provided regarding			
	2021 ¹⁷⁴	questions, ethics		methods of qualitative			
	Cook, 2021 ²⁰³	statement not		data collection and			
		included. One study		analysis. Dissatisfaction			
		did not include a		with outcomes were at			
	Dissatisfaction	clear statement of		least moderately			
	(8)	findings.		described in all but one			
	Ashcroft,			study, in which little			
	2021 ¹⁶³	Minor concerns		discussion was			
	Barnett,	about studies		dedicated to outcomes			
	2021 ¹⁴⁷	addressing		associated with			
	Bennell,	dissatisfaction:		telehealth.			
	2021 ²¹⁰	Three studies did					
	Courtney,	not sufficiently					
	2021 ¹⁶⁸	describe					
	Gomez,	recruitment, two					
	2021 ¹⁵²	studies did not					
	Hunter,	provide survey					
	2021 ¹¹¹	instruments. One					
	Martin, 2021 ¹⁵⁴	study each did not					
		completely state					
	Saliba-	study aims, or gather data from					
	Gustafsson, 2020 ¹⁵⁶	more than one					
	2020.00	question.					
Communication	Satisfaction	Minor concerns	No or very minor	Satisfaction: 8 studies	No or very minor	Moderate	Although the
(20)	(8)	about studies	concerns about	including 624 participants	concerns about	confidence.	findings
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-	Bennell,	addressing	studies addressing		studies		regarding
Telehealth can	2021 ²¹⁰	satisfaction: Four	satisfaction.	Moderate concerns	addressing		communication
impede provider /	Bos, 2021 ²⁰⁷	studies did not		related to qualitative	satisfaction.		are well-
patient	Courtney,	sufficiently describe		methods being			described
communication	2021 ¹⁶⁸	recruitment	No or very minor	insufficiently described in	No or very minor		across studies,
due to its	Dahl-	strategy. Two	concerns about	three of the included	<u>concerns</u> about		detail regarding
impersonal	Popolizio,	studies each did not	studies addressing	eight studies. Despite the	studies		qualitative
nature.	2020 ¹⁴⁹	completely state	dissatisfaction.	lack of clarity regarding	addressing		methods is
	Gomez,	their aims, or		the methods, satisfaction	dissatisfaction.		inadequate and
	2021 ¹⁵²	provide survey		with communication via			thus we cannot
	Martin,	instruments. One		telehealth was			assess
	2021 ¹⁵⁴	study did not		adequately described in			methodological
	Ross, 2021 ¹⁶⁶	sufficiently describe		all studies.			rigor.
	Srinivasan,	the data analysis.					
	2020 ¹¹³			Dissatisfaction: 17			
		Minor concerns		studies including 4299			
		about studies		participants			
	Dissatisfaction	addressing					
	(17)	dissatisfaction: eight		Moderate concerns			
	Bos, 2021 ²⁰⁷	studies did not		related to qualitative			
	Cook, 2021 ²⁰³	sufficiently describe		methods being			
	Courtney,	recruitment		insufficiently described in			
	2021 ¹⁶⁸	strategy. Four		six of the included 17			
	Feijt, 2020 ¹³⁵	studies each did not		studies. This lack of			
	Franzosa,	clearly state their		clarity regarding methods			
	2021 ²¹¹	aims, or provide		is assuaged by all			
	Gilbert,	survey instrument or		studies entering into at			
	2021 ¹³⁷	interview guides.		least a moderate			
	Gomez,	Three studies did		discussion of findings			
	2021 ¹⁵²	not sufficiently		regarding dissatisfaction			
	Hunter.	describe data		with communication via			
	2021 ¹¹¹	analyses/ One study		telehealth.			
	Johnson,	each did not clearly					
	2021 ¹⁶⁴	state their findings,					
	Krok-Schoen,	or include an ethics					
	2021 ¹⁷¹	statement.					
	Martin,						
	2021 ¹⁵⁴						
	Nagra, 2021 ²¹²						
	Saliba-						
	Gustafsson,						
	2020 ¹⁵⁶						
	Searby,						
	2021 ¹⁷³						
	2021						

Summary of Review Findings	Number of Studies Contributing	Methodological Limitations (CASP Rating)	Coherence	Adequacy	Relevance	CERQual Assessment of Confidence in the Evidence	Explanation of CERQual Rating
	Shklarski, 2021 ¹²⁶ Srinivasan, 2020 ¹¹³ Turchetti, 2021 ¹⁷⁴						

Benefits (24)	Barsom,	Minor concerns	No or very minor	Benefits: 24 studies	Minor concerns	Moderate	Concerns due
Dononio (21)	2021 ⁷⁴	about studies	concerns about	including 3359	about studies	confidence.	to a lack of
Telehealth is	Bos, 2021 ²⁰⁷	addressing <u>benefits</u> :	studies addressing	participants	addressing	connuonico.	sufficient details
seen as	Brunton,	One study had	benefits.	paraoiparao	benefits: One		regarding
beneficial to	2021 ¹⁰¹	deficits across all	bononto.	Minor concerns	study included		qualitative
patients from the	Cole, 2021 ¹⁶⁷	domains measured.		regarding lack of	hospital		methodology in
provider	Cormi, 2021 ²¹³	Main concerns		specificity of qualitative	administrators		nine studies,
perspective.	Courtney,	amongst the		methodology in nine of	only and another		resulting in an
Providers also	2021 ¹⁶⁸	remaining studies:		the included studies;	included hospital		inability to fully
found telehealth	Dahl-	15 studies did not		methods were at least	staff only.		assess rigor.
beneficial to their	Popolizio,	sufficiently escribe		moderately described in	oldin olniy.		Finding
practices by	2020 ¹⁴⁹	their recruitment		15 studies. Findings			regarding
improving	Franzosa,	strategies; seven		regarding benefits were			benefits are at
efficiency,	2021 ¹⁵⁰	studies each did not		very well-described and			least
capacity, and	Gabe-Walters,	include survey		thoroughly discussed in			moderately
collaboration.	2021 ²⁰⁸	instruments or		11 of the 24 studies; four			described in 20
	Gomez,	interview guides, or		studies presented an			of the 24
	2021 ¹⁵²	sufficiently describe		inadequate discussion of			included
	Hardy, 2021 ²¹⁴	analyses, six		benefits.			studies.
	Jimenez-	studies did not					
	Rodriguez,	clearly state the					
	2020153	aims, one study					
	Johnson,	only included one					
	2021 ¹⁶⁴	open-ended					
	Kang, 2020 ¹³⁹	question.					
	Marshall,						
	2021 ¹⁰⁴						
	Murphy,						
	2021 ¹⁵⁵						
	Pagano,						
	2021 ¹⁷²						
	Ross, 2021 ¹⁶⁶						
	Srinivasan,						
	2020 ¹¹³						
	Taylor,						
	2021 ¹⁶²						
	Treitler,						
	2021 ²¹⁵						
	Uscher-						
	Pines ¹¹⁵						
	vanGelder,						
	2021 ²¹⁶						
	Wilson,						
	2021 ¹¹⁴						

Summary of Review Findings	Number of Studies Contributing	Methodological Limitations (CASP Rating)	Coherence	Adequacy	Relevance	CERQual Assessment of Confidence in the Evidence	Explanation of CERQual Rating
Preferences (16) Providers are generally satisfied with telehealth, and believe it can replace many aspects of in person care, but, overtime providers noted a need to catch up on care put on hold during the pandemic.	Alkureeishi, 2021 ¹⁰⁸ Baadjou, 2020 ¹⁴⁶ Ben-Ayre, 2021 ⁸⁰ Cormi, 2021 ²¹³ Courtney, 2021 ¹⁶⁸ Dahl- Popolizio, 2020 ¹⁴⁹ Due, 2021 ¹⁰² Hunter, 2021 ¹¹¹ Johnson, 2021 ¹⁶⁴ Murphy, 2021 ¹⁵⁵ Schoebel, 2021 ¹²⁵ Shklarski, 2021 ¹²⁵ Shklarski, 2021 ¹²⁵ Shklarski, 2021 ¹¹² Uscher- Pines ¹¹⁵ vanGelder, 2021 ²¹⁶ Wilson, 2021 ¹¹⁴	Minor concerns about studies addressing <u>preferences</u> : Nine studies did not sufficiently describe recruitment strategy. Six studies did not sufficiently describe analyses. Focus group or interview guides were not included in five studies. Four studies did not clearly state aims, and three studies did not have a clear statement of findings. Two studies did not provide ethics statements.	No or very minor concerns about studies addressing preferences.	Preferences: 16 studies including 3022 participants <u>Moderate concerns</u> regarding specificity of qualitative methodology in six of the 16 included studies; methods were at least moderately described in 10 studies. Findings regarding benefits were very well- described and thoroughly discussed in only 2 of the 16 studies; a majority of 10 of the 16 studies presented an insufficient discussion regarding preferences.	Minor concerns about studies addressing <u>preferences</u> : two included studies surveyed opioid treatment staff, or conducted a focus group with administrators.	Low confidence.	Concerns due to a lack of sufficient details regarding qualitative methodology, resulting in an inability to assess rigor. In addition, there is inadequate detail regarding preferences in 10 of the 16 included studies.

Summary of Review Findings	Number of Studies Contributing	Methodological Limitations (CASP Rating)	Coherence	Adequacy	Relevance	CERQual Assessment of Confidence in the Evidence	Explanation of CERQual Rating
Concerns (17) Providers feel that telehealth should not replace face to face visits; it prevents physical exam and telehealth is not suited for all types of care	Baadjou, 2020 ¹⁴⁶ Ben-Ayre, 2021 ⁸⁰ Bennell, 2021 ²¹⁰ Bos, 2021 ²⁰⁷ Byrnes, 2020 ²¹⁸ Cole, 2021 ¹⁶⁷ Courtney, 2021 ¹⁶⁸ Gullslett, 2021 ²¹⁹ Jimenez- Rodriguez, 2020 ¹⁵³ Krok-Schoen, 2021 ¹⁷¹ Luckett, 2021 ¹⁷¹ Luckett, 2021 ¹⁵⁴ Saliba- Gustafsson, 2020 ¹⁵⁶ Shklarski, 2021 ¹²⁶ Srinivasan, 2020 ¹¹³ Treitler, 2021 ¹³ VanGelder, 2021 ²¹⁶	Minor concerns about studies addressing <u>concerns</u> : Ten studies did not sufficiently describe recruitment strategy. Seven studies did not sufficiently describe analyses. Interview guides or survey instruments were not included for five studies. Two studies did not have a clear statement of findings.	No or very minor concerns about studies addressing concerns.	Concerns: 17 studies including 925 participants <u>Minor concerns</u> regarding sufficiency of detail regarding overall qualitative methodology in five of the included studies; methods were at least moderately described in 11 studies. Findings regarding concern were very well- described and thoroughly discussed in 12 of the 17 studies.	No or very minor concerns about studies addressing concerns.	High confidence.	Although details regarding qualitative methods are inadequate in 29% of the included studies, the findings regarding concerns are well-described and supported across studies giving us confidence in the stated conclusions.

Summary of Review Findings	Number of Studies Contributing	Methodological Limitations (CASP Rating)	Coherence	Adequacy	Relevance	CERQual Assessment of Confidence in the Evidence	Explanation of CERQual Rating
Provider Suggestions (11) Providers felt that telehealth in combination with in person care should be considered for the future	Bos, 2021 ²⁰⁷ Godfrey, 2021 ²²⁰ Gomez, 2021 ¹⁵² Kang, 2020 ¹³⁹ Malden, 2021 ²⁰⁹ Nagra, 2021 ²¹² Ross, 2021 ¹⁶⁶ Saliba- Gustafsson, 2020 ¹⁵⁶ Shklarski, 2021 ¹²⁶ Taylor, 2021 ¹⁶² vanGelder, 2021 ²¹⁶	Moderate concerns about studies addressing suggestions and facilitators: One study had deficits across all domains measured. Additionally, seven studies did not sufficiently describe recruitment. Five studies did not adequately describe the analyses. Four studies did not state their aims clearly. One study did not include the survey instrument.	No or very minor concerns about studies addressing suggestions/ facilitators.	Concerns: 11 studies including 1544 participants <u>Moderate concerns</u> regarding the sufficiency of detail regarding qualitative methods, which is insufficient in four of the 11 included studies. In addition, findings related to suggestions/facilitators are insufficiently described in four of the 11 included studies. Together, these descriptive inadequacies result in a lack of confidence of the findings.	<u>No or very minor</u> <u>concerns</u> about studies addressing <u>suggestions/</u> <u>facilitators</u> .	Moderate confidence.	Concerns due to a lack of sufficient details regarding qualitative methodology, resulting in an inability to assess rigor. In addition, there is inadequate detail regarding provider suggestions in four of the 11 included studies.

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Appendix D. Evidence Tables

Table D.1. Characteristics of patients using telehealth during COVID-19 era (Key Question 1)

Author, Year	COVID Era	Sex (%)	Age (%)	Race/Ethnicity	SES	Urban/Rural	Condition (Physician Specialty)
Alexander, 2020 ¹ IQVIA	2020 (Q1/Q2)	Male: 47.8% Female:52.2%	<19: 15.6% 19-35: 17.8% 36-55: 26.1% 56-65: 15.2% 66 +: 25.3%	Telehealth visits were 19.3% of all visits for White individuals and 20.5% of all visits for Black individuals	NR	NR	NR
Campion, 2021 ² Change Healthcare	Mar-Dec 2020	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	Claims for 'behavioral and mental health' disorders 4-5 times more frequent than for other categories of diseases (i.e., >4m claims vs 1m or fewer claims for other diagnoses)
Ferguson, 2021 ³ Veterans' Affairs	Jan-Jun 2020	Male: 91% Female: 9.2% RR for use of telehealth: 1.02 (1.02,1.03) for females	18-44 RR for use of telehealth: 18-44 ref 45-64 1.04 (1.04,1.05) 65+ 1.05 (1.04, 1.05)	White ref Black/African American 1.02 (1.01, 1.03) Asian 0.96 (0.95, 0.98) American Indian/Alaska Native 1.00 (0.99, 1.01) Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander 1.01 (1.00, 1.01)) Unknown/missing 0.99 (0.99, 1.00) White 71% of new users	NR	RR for use of telehealth: Urban ref Rural 1.00 (0.99, 1.00) Highly rural 0.99 (0.97, 1.00) Urban 67% of new users	Mental health condition 1.03 (1.03, 1.04)

Author, Year	COVID Era	Sex (%)	Age (%)	Race/Ethnicity	SES	Urban/Rural	Condition (Physician Specialty)
Hatef, 2022 ⁴	Jul-Dec 2020	Male: 497% Female:50.3%	0-17: 22.3% 18-34: 24% 35-49: 24.7% ≥50: 29%	NR	Area Deprivation Index Quartile 1: 41.4% Quartile 2: 22.5% Quartile 3: 21.1% Quartile 4: 15%	Urban: 84.5% Rural: 15.5%	Ambulatory services
Koonin, 2020 ⁵ CDC	Jan-Mar 2020	Female: 63%	18-49: 69%	NR	NR	NR	NR
Mansour, 2020 ⁶ IQVIA	2020 (Q1/Q2)	2020 Q1 Female: 48% 2020 Q2 Female: 57%	2020 Q1 Up to 19: 19% 20-39: 21% 40-64: 34% 65+: 26% 2020 Q2 Up to 19: 28% 20-39: 31% 40-64: 28% 65+: 13%	2020 Q1 White: 85% Black: 4% Hispanic: 6% Asian: 1% Other: 4% 2020 Q2 White: 75% Black: 12% Hispanic: 7% Asian: 4% Other: 2%	NR	NR	NR
Patel 2021 ⁷	Mar-Jun 2020	Male: 41.5% Female:58.5%	0-19: 92% 20-29: 8.7% 30-39: 11.5 40-49: 12.9% 50-59: 15.7% 60-64: 8.5% 65+: 33.5%	County percentage of Caucastion Quartile 1: 19.7% Quartile 2: 30.2% Quartile 3: 26.9% Quartile 4: 23.2%	Median household income Quartile 1 (low): 32.8% Quartile 2: 25.2% Quartile 3: 23.6% Quartile 4 (high): 18.4%	Urban: 89.7% Rural: 10.3%	Ambulatory services
Rabbini, 2022 ⁸	Jan-Mar 2021	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	Children's Ambulatory Services

Author, Year	COVID Era	Sex (%)	Age (%)	Race/Ethnicity	SES	Urban/Rural	Condition (Physician Specialty)
Weiner, 2021 ⁹ Blue Health Intelligence	Mar-Jun 2020	NR	Percentage of contacts that were telehealth: 0-5: 16.4% 6-17: 25.7% 18-34: 28.1% 35-49: 25.4% 50-64: 20.2% 65+: 19.5%	NR	Percentage of contacts that were telehealth, Area of Deprivation scale quartiles: 1 (low) 27.4% 2 19.8% 3 19.8% 4 (high) 19.4%	Percentage of contacts that were telehealth: Urban 24% Rural 14.2%	Percentage of contacts that were telehealth, number of chronic conditions in 2019: None 17.4% 1 24.2% 2 26.2% 3+ 26.7%
Whaley, 2021 ¹⁰ Castlight Health	Mar-Apr 2020	NR	NR	Compared with those in zip codes with 80% or more White residents, patients in zip codes with 80% or more residents who belong to racial/ethnic minority groups had smaller increases in the use of telehealth (absolute difference: -71.6 per 10 000; 95%CI, -87.6 to -55.5). For those in zip codes with 79% to 21% residents who belong to racial/ethnic minority groups, relative use use of telehealth decreased by 15.1 per 10 000 (95%CI, -19.8 to -10.4).	Smaller reductions in care use and lower rates of telemedicine use among patients residing in zip codes with lower-income.	NR	NR

Author, Year	COVID Era	Sex (%)	Age (%)	Race/Ethnicity	SES	Urban/Rural	Condition (Physician Specialty)
Zhu, 2022 ¹¹	Mar- Dec 2020	Male: 32.5% Female:67.5%	12-17: 10.3% 18-24: 12.2% 25-34: 21.1% 35-44: 19.3% 45-54: 15.3% 55-64: 12.5% 65+: 9.2%	NR	NR	NR	Mental Health Ambulatory Services

CDC=Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; CI=confidence interval; FPL=federal poverty line; NR=not reported; Q1=calendar quarter 1; Q2=calendar quarter 2; ref=reference; RR=risk ratio; SES=socio-economic status

Author, Year	Intervention	Study Design	Study Period	Country	Single or Multiple Sites	Geographic Location	Patient or Provider/Healthcare System
Aazh, 2021 ¹²	Telephone plus video	Retrospective cohort	Early COVID era (March-June 2020)	UK	Single site	NR	Patient
Afonso Noguueria, 2021 ¹³	Telephone only	Prospective Cohort	Compares pre-COVID to post-COVID	Portugal	Single Site	NR	NR
Aiken, 2021 ¹⁴	Telephone plus video	Cross-sectional	Compares pre-COVID to post-COVID	UK	Multiple site	NR	Patient
Akama-Garren, 2021 ¹⁵	Telephone only	Retrospective cohort	General COVID era	United States	Single site	NR	Patient
Akerly, 2021 ¹⁶	Telephone only	Descriptive	Early COVID era (March-June 2020)	United States	Single site	NR	Patient
Albornoz-Cabello, 2021 ¹⁷	Telephone only	RCT	Compares pre-COVID to post-COVID	Spain	Single site	Urban	Patient
Alvarez, 2020 ¹⁸	Telephone only	Prospective cohort	Early COVID era (March-June 2020)	Spain	Single site	Urban	Provider or Healthcare system
Arias, 2022 ¹⁹	Telephone plus video	Retrospective cohort	Compares pre-COVID to post-COVID	United States	Single site	Urban	Patient
Barequet, 2021 ²⁰	Telephone plus video	Retrospective cohort	General COVID era	Israel	Single site	Urban	Patient
Baughman, 2021 ²¹	Not stated	Retrospective cohort	Later COVID era (June 2020 and later)	United States	Not reported	Not reported	Patient
Bogin, 2022 ²²	Telephone plus video	Cross-sectional	General COVID era	United States	Multiple site	Not reported	Patient
Boles, 2022 ²³ 10805	Not stated	Prospective cohort	General COVID era	United States	Single site	Urban	Patient
Borgen, 2021 ²⁴	Telephone plus video	Prospective Cohort	Early COVID era (March-June 2020)	United States	Multiple site	NR	Patient
Boscari, 2021 ²⁵	Not stated	Retrospective cohort	Early COVID era (March-June 2020)	Italy	Single site	Urban	Patient
Boshara, 2022 ²⁶	Not stated	Cross-sectional	General COVID era	United States	Multiple site	Urban	Patient
Cancer, 2021 ²⁷	Not stated	Prospective cohort	General COVID era	Italy	Multiple site	Not reported	Patient
Candel, 2020 ²⁸	Telephone plus video	Prospective quasi- expiremental	Early COVID era (March-June 2020)	Netherlan ds	Single Site	Urban	Provider or Healthcare system
Capozza, 2020 ²⁹	Telephone only	Pre-post	Compares pre-COVID to post-COVID	0	Single site	NR	Patient
Carlberg, 2020 ³⁰	Telephone plus video	Retrospective cohort	Early COVID era (March-June 2020)	United States	Multiple site	NR	Patient
Casariego-Vales, 2021 ³¹	Telephone plus video	Retrospective cohort	Later COVID era (June 2020 and later)	Spain	Multiple site	NR	Patient

 Table D.2. Study characteristics of studies investigating benefits and harms of telehealth during COVID-19 (Key Question 2)

Author, Year	Intervention	Study Design	Study Period	Country	Single or Multiple Sites	Geographic Location	Patient or Provider/Healthcare System
Chang, 2021 ³²	Telephone plus video	Retrospective	Early COVID era (March-June 2020)	United States	Single site	NR	Patient
Chesnel, 2021 ³³	Telephone only	Prospective cohort	Early COVID era (March-June 2020)	France	Single site	NR	Both
Cobo-Calbo, 2022 ³⁴	Not stated	Retrospective cohort	Compares pre-COVID to post-COVID	Spain	Single site	Urban	Patient
Compton, 2020 ³⁵	Telephone plus video	Descriptive	Early COVID era (March-June 2020)	United States	Single site	NR	Patient
Corden, 2020 ³⁶	Telephone plus video	Retrospective	Early COVID era (March-June 2020)	UK	Single site	NR	Patient
Crawford, 2021 ³⁷	Telephone plus video	Retrospective cohort	Early COVID era (March-June 2020)	United States	Multiple site	NR	Patient
Cunningham, 2022 ³⁸	Telephone plus video	Retrospective cohort	Compares pre-COVID to post-COVID	United States	Multiple site	Urban	Patient
Cvietusa, 2022 ³⁹	Telephone plus video	Retrospective cohort	Compares pre-COVID to post-COVID	United States	Not reported	Not reported	Patient
D'Anna, 2021 ⁴⁰	Telephone only	Retrospective cohort	Compares pre-COVID to post-COVID	UK	Single site	Urban	Patient
Darr, 2020 ⁴¹	Not stated	Retrospective cohort	Early COVID era (March-June 2020)	UK	Single site	NR	Patient
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Not stated	Retrospective cohort	Early COVID era (March-June 2020)	United States	Single site	Urban	Patient
De Marchi, 2021 ⁴³	Not stated	Prospective cohort	Early COVID era (March-June 2020)	Italy	Single site	NR	Patient
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	Telephone only	Retrospective cohort	Compares pre-COVID to post-COVID	United States	Single site	NR	Patient
Etherton, 202145	Telephone plus video	Retrospective cohort	Compares pre-COVID to post-COVID	United States	Multiple Sites	NR	Patient
Ferry, 2021 ⁴⁶	Telephone plus video	Retrospective cohort	Early COVID era (March-June 2020)	Australia	NR	NR	Patient
Fortier, 2022 ⁴⁷	Telephone plus video	Prospective cohort	Compares pre-COVID to post-COVID	United States	Multiple site	Urban	Patient
Francis, 2021 ⁴⁸	Telephone plus video	Retrospective cohort	Early COVID era (March-June 2020)	UK	Single site	Urban, rural	Patient
Fredwall, 2021 ⁴⁹	Telephone plus video	Prospective cohort	Early COVID era (March-June 2020)	United States	Single site	NR	Patient
Gaetani, 2021 ⁵⁰	Telephone plus video	Prospective Cohort	Compares pre-COVID to post-COVID	Italy	Single site	NR	Patient
Garmendia, 2021 ⁵¹	Telephone plus video	Prospective cohort	Compares pre-COVID to post-COVID	Spain	Multiple site	NR	Patient

Author, Year	Intervention	Study Design	Study Period	Country	Single or Multiple Sites	Geographic Location	Patient or Provider/Healthcare System
Grandizio, 2022 ⁵²	Telephone plus video	Prospective cohort	General COVID era	United States	Single site	Rural	Patient
Gross, 2020 ⁵³	Telephone plus video	Cross-sectional	Compares pre-COVID to post-COVID	Canada	Multiple site	NR	Patient
Hameed, 2021 ⁵⁴	Telephone plus video	Prospective Cohort	General COVID era	United States	Single site	NR	Patient
Hamner, 202155	Not stated	Cross-sectional	Compares pre-COVID to post-COVID	United States	Single site	Not reported	Patient
Hatef, 2022 ⁴	Telephone plus video	Prospective cohort	Compares pre-COVID to post-COVID	United States	Claims data	Urban and rural	Patient
Helmes, 2022 ⁵⁶	Telephone only	RCT	General COVID era	Germany	Single site	Urban	Patient
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Telephone plus video	RCT	Early COVID era (March-June 2020)	Spain	Single site	NR	Patient
Hughes, 202158	Telephone plus video	Retrospective cohort	Compares pre-COVID to post-COVID	United States	Single Site	Rural	Patient
Hutchings, 2021 ⁵⁹	Not stated	Prospective cohort	Early COVID era (March-June 2020)	Australia	NR	Urban	Patient
Irarrazaval, 2021 ⁶⁰	Telephone only	Prospective cohort	General COVID era	Chile	Single site	Urban	Patient
Jaenisch, 2020 ⁶¹	Telephone plus video	Descriptive	General COVID era	Germany	Single site	NR	Patient
Jansen, 2020 ⁶²	Telephone plus video	Descriptive	General COVID era	Germany	Single site	NR	Patient
Kablinger, 2022 ⁶³	Telephone plus video	Retrospective cohort	Compares pre-COVID to post-COVID	United States	Single site	Not reported	Patient
Kazi, 2021 ⁶⁴	Telephone plus video	Cohort	Early COVID era (March-June 2020)	United States	NR	NR	Both
Kerestes, 2021 ⁶⁵	Telephone plus video	Retrospective cohort	General COVID era	United States	Single site	NR	Patient
Khosla, 2022 ⁶⁶	Telephone only	Retrospective cohort	Compares pre-COVID to post-COVID	United States	Single site	Urban	Patient
Kim, 202167	Telephone plus video	Retrospective cohort	Early COVID era (March-June 2020)	United States	Single site	Urban	Patient
Klain, 2021 ⁶⁸	Telephone only	Retrospective cohort	Compares pre-COVID to post-COVID	Italy	Single site	Urban	Patient
Kolb, 202169	Telephone plus video	Retrospective cohort	Early COVID era (March-June 2020)	United States	Single site	NR	Patient
Korycinski, 2022 ⁷⁰	Telephone only	Retrospective cohort	Early COVID era (March-June 2020)	United States	Single site	Not reported	Patient

Author, Year	Intervention	Study Design	Study Period	Country	Single or Multiple Sites	Geographic Location	Patient or Provider/Healthcare System
Kronenberger, 2021 ⁷¹	Telephone plus video	Prospective cohort	General COVID era	United States	NR	NR	Patient
Levinson, 2021 ⁷²	Telephone plus video	Retrospective cohort	Compares pre-COVID to post-COVID	United States	Not reported	Not reported	Patient
Li, 2021 ⁷³	Not stated	Retrospective cohort	General COVID era	UK	Multiple site	NR	Patient
Li, 2021 ⁷⁴	Telephone plus video	Retrospective cohort	Early COVID era (March-June 2020)	UK	Single site	NR	Patient
Lightsey, 202175	Telephone plus video	Retrospective cohort	Early COVID era (March-June 2020)	United States	Single site	NR	Patient
Lindhagen, 2022 ⁷⁶	Not stated	Retrospective cohort	Compares pre-COVID to post-COVID	Sweden	Single site	Urban	Patient
Liu, 202177	Not stated	Prospective Cohort	Early COVID era (March-June 2020)	Australia	Single site	Urban	Patient
Loftus, 2022 ⁷⁸	Telephone plus video	Prospective cohort	General COVID era	United States	Multiple site	Not reported	Patient
Longobardi, 2021 ⁷⁹	Telephone plus video	Prospective Cohort	General COVID era	Italy	Single site	NR	Patient
Mair, 2021 ⁸⁰	Not stated	Retrospective cohort	Compares pre-COVID to post-COVID	New Zealand	Single site	Urban	Patient
Malliaras, 2020 ⁸¹	Telephone plus video	RCT	General COVID era	Australia	Single site	Urban and rural	Patient
Margolius, 2021 ⁸²	Not stated	Retrospective cohort	Early COVID era (March-June 2020)	United States	Single site	Urban	Patient
Martin, 2021 ⁸³	Telephone plus video	Prospective Cohort	Early COVID era (March-June 2020)	Belgium	Single Site	NR	Patient
Martinez-Garcia, 2020 ⁸⁴	Telephone plus video	Prospective Cohort	Early COVID era (March-June 2020)	Spain	Multiple site	NR	Patient
McCoy, 2022 ⁸⁵	Not stated	Cross-sectional	Compares pre-COVID to post-COVID	United States	Single site	Urban	Patient
McLachlan, 2021 ⁸⁶	Telephone only	Prospective cohort	General COVID era	New Zealand	Single site	NR	Patient
McNamara, 202187	Not stated	Retrospective cohort	Compares pre-COVID to post-COVID	United States	Multiple site	Urban	Provider or Healthcare system
Mehtani, 2021 ⁸⁸	Telephone only	Case series	Early COVID era (March-June 2020)	United States	Single Site	NR	Patient
Miller, 2021 ⁸⁹	Not stated	Retrospective Case-Control	Compares pre-COVID to post-COVID	United States	Multiple site	NR	Patient
Minsky, 202190	Telephone plus video	Prospective cohort	Compares pre-COVID to post-COVID	Israel	Single site	NR	Patient

Author, Year	Intervention	Study Design	Study Period	Country	Single or Multiple Sites	Geographic Location	Patient or Provider/Healthcare System
Offiah, 2022 ⁹¹	Telephone plus video	Retrospective cohort	Compares pre-COVID to post-COVID	Ireland	Multiple site	Not reported	Patient
Okeefe, 202192	Telephone plus video	Retrospective	Early COVID era (March-June 2020)	United States	Multiple site	NR	Patient
Onishi, 2021 ⁹³	Telephone plus video	Retrospective cohort	Compares pre-COVID to post-COVID	Japan	Single site	NR	Patient
Ostberg, 2022 ⁹⁴	Telephone plus video	Cross-sectional	General COVID era	United States	Multiple site	Suburban	Patient
Parise, 202195	Telephone plus video	Prospective cohort	Early COVID era (March-June 2020)	Italy	Multiple site	NR	Patient
Phillips, 2021 ⁹⁶	Not stated	Retrospective cohort	Early COVID era (March-June 2020)	United States	Single site	NR	Patient
Pinsker, 202197	Telephone plus video	Retrospective cohort	Early COVID era (March-June 2020)	United States	Single site	NR	Patient
Postorino, 202098	Telephone only	Retrospective cohort	Early COVID era (March-June 2020)	Italy	Single site	Urban	Provider or Healthcare system
Rachmeil, 2020 ⁹⁹	Telephone plus video	Prospective cohort	General COVID era	Israel	Multiple site	NR	Patient
Ragheb, 2021 ¹⁰⁰	Telephone plus video	Retrospective cohort	Compares pre-COVID to post-COVID	United States	Single site	Not reported	Patient
Reddy, 2021 ¹⁰¹	Telephone plus video	Retrospective cohort	Early COVID era (March-June 2020)	United States	Single site	Not reported	Patient
Reider-Demer, 2022 ¹⁰²	Telephone plus video	Cross-sectional	Compares pre-COVID to post-COVID	United States	Multiple site	Urban	Both
Reynolds-Wright, 2021 ¹⁰³	Telephone plus video	Prospective Cohort	General COVID era	UK	Single site	NR	Patient
Ripp, 2022 ¹⁰⁴	Not stated	Retrospective cohort	Compares pre-COVID to post-COVID	United States	Single site	Not reported	Patient
Rizzoli, 2021 ¹⁰⁵	Telephone only	Prospective cohort	Early COVID era (March-June 2020)	Italy	Single site	Urban	Patient
Rohan, 2021 ¹⁰⁶	Telephone plus video	Retrospective cohort	Compares pre-COVID to post-COVID	United States	Single site	NR	Patient
Rowe, 2021 ¹⁰⁷	Telephone plus video	Retrospective cohort	General COVID era	Australia	Single site	NR	Patient
Russo, 2021 ¹⁰⁸	Telephone only	Retrospective cohort	Early COVID era (March-June 2020)	Italy	Single site	NR	Patient
Rysinka, 2021 ¹⁰⁹	Telephone plus video	Retrospective cohort	Early COVID era (March-June 2020)	United States	Multiple site	Urban and Suburban	Patient
Sawka, 2021 ¹¹⁰	Telephone plus video	Prospective Cohort	Compares pre-COVID to post-COVID	Switzerla nd	Single site	NR	Patient

Author, Year	Intervention	Study Design	Study Period	Country	Single or Multiple Sites	Geographic Location	Patient or Provider/Healthcare System
Schafer, 2022 ¹¹¹	Not stated	Retrospective cohort	General COVID era	United States	Single site	Not reported	Patient
Schweiberger, 2020 ¹¹²	Telephone plus video	Retrospective cohort	Early COVID era (March-June 2020)	United States	Multiple site	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Seghezzo, 2021 ¹¹³	Telephone plus video	Retrospective cohort	Compares pre-COVID to post-COVID	UK	Single site	NR	Patient
Sevilis, 2022 ¹¹⁴	Telephone plus video	Retrospective cohort	Compares pre-COVID to post-COVID	United States	Multiple site	Not reported	Patient
Shabto, 2020 ¹¹⁵	Telephone only	Retrospective cohort	General COVID era	United States	Single Site	NR	Patient
Sharma, 2020 ¹¹⁶	Telephone only	Prospective cohort	Early COVID era (March-June 2020)	NR	Single site	NR	Patient
Sharma, 2020 ¹¹⁷	Telephone only	Retrospective cohort	Compares pre-COVID to post-COVID	UK	NR	NR	Both
Smith, 2021 ¹¹⁸	Telephone plus video	Retrospective cohort	Early COVID era (March-June 2020)	United States	Single site	Urban	Patient
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Telephone plus video	Retrospective cohort	General COVID era	Australia	NR	NR	Patient
Tarn, 2021 ¹²⁰	Telephone plus video	Cross-sectional	Early COVID era (March-June 2020)	United States	Single site	NR	Patient
Taxonera, 2020 ¹²¹	Telephone only	Cross-sectional	Early COVID era (March-June 2020)	Spain	Single site	NR	Patient
Tchang, 2022 ¹²²	Telephone plus video	Retrospective cohort	Compares pre-COVID to post-COVID	United States	Single site	Urban	Patient
Uppal, 2022 ¹²³	Telephone plus video	Prospective cohort	General COVID era	United States	Single site	Not reported	Patient
Wabe, 2022 ¹²⁴	Telephone plus video	Retrospective cohort	General COVID era	Australia	Multiple site	Urban, rural	Patient
Watson, 2021 ¹²⁵	Telephone only	Cross-sectional	Compares pre-COVID to post-COVID	Australia	Single site	Not reported	Patient
Winkleman, 2020 ¹²⁶	Telephone plus video	Retrospective cohort	General COVID era	United States	Single site	NR	Patient
Wu, 2021 ¹²⁷	Telephone plus video	Prospective cohort	General COVID era	UK	Multiple site	NR	Patient
Ye, 2022 ¹²⁸	Telephone plus video	Retrospective cohort	General COVID era	United States	Single site	Urban	Patient
Ye, 2022 ¹²⁹	Telephone plus video	Cross-sectional	Compares pre-COVID to post-COVID	United States	Single site	Urban	Patient
Zayde, 2021 ¹³⁰	Telephone plus video	Prospective cohort	Compares pre-COVID to post-COVID	United States	Single site	Urban	Patient

Author, Year	Intervention	Study Design	Study Period	Country	Single or Multiple Sites	Geographic Location	Patient or Provider/Healthcare System
Zhang, 2021 ¹³¹	Telephone	Retrospective	Early COVID era	United	Single site	NR	Patient
-	plus video	cohort	(March-June 2020)	States			
Zhao, 2021 ¹³²	Telephone	Retrospective	Compares pre-COVID	United	Single site	NR	Patient
	plus video	cohort	to post-COVID	States			
Zhu, 2021 ¹³³	Not stated	Retrospective	Early COVID era	Australia	Multiple site	Urban	Patient
		cohort	(March-June 2020)				
Zimmerman,	Telephone	Prospective cohort	General COVID era	United	Single site	NR	Patient
2021 ¹³⁴	plus video			States	-		

NR=not reported; UK=United Kingdom

Author, Year	Arm/ Group	Arm Label	N Patients	Patient Health Concern/Clinical Condition	Target Population	Age	Sex, n (%)	Race/Ethnicit
Aazh, 2021 ¹²	Arm 1	Declined internet video	23	Tinnitus rehabilitation	Adults (18-65)	Mean: 55	NR	NR
Aazh, 2021 ¹²	Arm 2	Accepted internet video	90	Tinnitus rehabilitation	Adults (18-65)	Mean: 49	NR	NR
Afonso Noguueria, 2021 ¹³	Full group	Individuals with Heart Failure attending outpatient cardiology appointments	196	Cardiology	NR	Mean: 71.4	Male: 0.68	NR
Afonso Noguueria, 2021 ¹³	Arm 1	Individuals with Heart Failure attending outpatient cardiology appointments (Pre-COVID)	160	Cardiology	NR	Mean: NR	NR	NR
Afonso Noguueria, 2021 ¹³	Arm 2	Individuals with Heart Failure attending outpatient cardiology appointments (Post COVID)	43	Cardiology	NR	Mean: NR	NR	NR
Aiken, 2021 ¹⁴	Arm 1	Individuals receiving medical abortion following in- person visit	22158	Pregnancy	Pregnant Women	Mean: 27.8	female: 1	Asian, Black, Multiracial, White, Other, Unknown
Aiken, 2021 ¹⁴	Arm 2	Individuals receiving medical abortion following telemedicine/hy brid visit	29984	Pregnancy	Pregnant Women	Mean: 28.5	female: 1	Asian, Black, Multiracial, White, Other, Unknown

Table D.3. Participant characteristics of studies investigating benefits and harms of telehealth during COVID-19 (Key Question 2)

Author, Year	Arm/ Group	Arm Label	N Patients	Patient Health Concern/Clinical Condition	Target Population	Age	Sex, n (%)	Race/Ethnicit v
Akama- Garren, 2021 ¹⁵	Arm 1	Patients triaged by Medical students at a respiratory clinic - Cleared	693	COVID-19	NR	Mean: 47 Range: 36-60	Female: 0.66	Black, Hispanic, Other, White, American Indian, Asian, Missing
Akama- Garren, 2021 ¹⁵	Arm 2	Patients triaged by Medical students at a respiratory clinic - Referred to Clinic (RIC)	107	COVID-19	NR	Mean: 52 Range: 39-64	Female: 0.66	Black, Hispanic, Other, White, American Indian, Asian, Missing
Akama- Garren, 2021 ¹⁵	Arm 3	Patients triaged by Medical students at a respiratory clinic - Advised to isolate	478	COVID-19	NR	Mean: 42 Range: 33-53	Female: 0.66	Black, Hispanic, Other, White, American Indian, Asian, Missing
Akama- Garren, 2021 ¹⁵	Arm 4	Patients triaged by Medical students at a respiratory clinic - Referred to ED	8	COVID-19	NR	Mean: 44 Range: 36-50	Female: 0.5	Black, Hispanic, Other, White, American Indian, Asian, Missing
Akerly, 2021 ¹⁶	Full group	Cancer patients receiving nursing weekly telehealth calls	7	Oncology	NR	Mean: NR Median: NR Range: NR	NR	NR
Albornoz- Cabello, 2021 ¹⁷	Full group	Overall	54	Patellofemoral Pain Syndrome	Adults (18-65)	Mean: 51	NR	Caucasian
Albornoz- Cabello, 2021 ¹⁷	Arm 1	Control (telematics)	54	Patellofemoral Pain Syndrome	Adults (18-65)	Mean: 51	NR	Caucasian
Albornoz- Cabello, 2021 ¹⁷	Arm 2	TPE (telematic + telephone advice)	54	Patellofemoral Pain Syndrome	Adults (18-65)	Mean: 51	NR	Caucasian
Alvarez, 2020 ¹⁸	Full group	Overall	5031 telephone calls	Orthopaedic	NR	Mean: NR Median: NR Range: NR	NR	NR

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Arias, 2022 ¹⁹	Arm 1	Pre-telehealth implementation	780	Postpartum visits	Adults (18-65)	Median: 30.07	Female: 780 (100)	White, Black, Asian, Other, Hispanic
Arias, 2022 ¹⁹	Arm 2	Post-telehealth implementation	799	Postpartum visits	Adults (18-65)	Median: 30.35	Female: 799 (100)	White, Black, Asian, Other, Hispanic
Barequet, 2021 ²⁰	Full group	Full group	102	Keratoconus patients	Children and adults	Mean: 29.36	Male: 67 (66)	NR
Baughman, 2021 ²¹	Full group	Full group	63722	Diabetes	Adult and Elderly	Mean: 62	Female: 27667 (51.5)	NR
Bogin, 2022 ²²	Full group	Full group	722	Postacute and long- term care	Elders (65+)	Mean: 82.8	Female: 472 (65.4)	White, Latino
Boles, 2022 ²³ 10805	Arm 1	In-person	66	Thyroid/parathyroid surgical patients	Adult and Elderly	Mean: 53.3	Female: 45 (68.2)	White, Hispanic, Black, Asian, Other
Boles, 2022 ²³ 10805	Arm 2	Telemedicine (not specified)	28	Thyroid/parathyroid surgical patients	Adult and Elderly	Mean: 47.1	Female: 22 (78.6)	White, Hispanic, Black, Asian, Other
Borgen, 2021 ²⁴	Arm 1	Individuals with new COVID-19 not receiving telehealth care management discharged from the hospital	593	COVID-19	Adult and Elderly (19-93)	Mean: 57.74	Male: 0.54	African American, Asian, Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander, White
Borgen, 2021 ²⁴	Arm 2	Individuals with new COVID-19 receiving telehealth care management	193	COVID-19	Adult and Elderly (19-93)	Mean: 57.44	Male: 0.61	African American, Asian, Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander, White
Boscari, 2021 ²⁵	Full group	Overall	71	Type-1 diabetes	Adults (18-65)	Mean: 41.9	Male: 32 (45.1)	NR
Boshara, 2022 ²⁶	Full group	Full group	347	HIV	Adults (18-65)	Mean: 44.2	Male: 217 (62.5)	White, Black, Asian, Hispanic
Cancer, 2021 ²⁷	Full group	Full group	30	Dyslexia, children	Children (<18)	Mean: 9.89	Female: 12 (40)	NR

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Candel, 2020 ²⁸	Arm 1	ED providers seeing patients via standard of care	25	Emergency	NR	Mean: 60	Female: 0.48	NR
Candel, 2020 ²⁸	Arm 2	ED providers seeing patients via telehealth	25	Emergency	NR	Mean: 57.6	Female: 0.52	NR
Capozza, 2020 ²⁹	Arm 1	Pre-COVID: Individuals with Frontotemporal Dementia	32	Dementia	NR	Mean: 66.25	Male: 0.562	NR
Carlberg, 2020 ³⁰	Arm 1	Patients receiving telehealth and in-person evaluation in the ED	149	COVID-19	NR	Mean: 39.3	NR	NR
Carlberg, 2020 ³⁰	Arm 2	Patients receiving telehealth only evaluation in the ED	153	COVID-19	NR	Mean: 34.4	NR	NR
Casariego- Vales, 2021 ³¹	Full group	Diagnosed with COVID in Galicia/ASLAM	4384	COVID-19 Infection	Adults 18+	Mean: NR Median: NR Range: NR	NR	NR
Casariego- Vales, 2021 ³¹	Arm 1	Primary Care Monitoring	3197	COVID-19 Infection	Adults 18+	Mean: NR Median: NR Range: NR	Female: 0.536	NR
Casariego- Vales, 2021 ³¹	Arm 2	TELEA Telehealth Monitoring	1187	COVID-19 Infection	Adults 18+	Mean: 65.6 Range: 15-99	Female: 0.534	NR
Chang, 2021 ³²	Arm 1	Patients seen by telemedicine at dermatology clinic for nail issues (New Visit)	46	Dermatology	NR	Mean: 44.4	Female: 0.7	White, Black, Asian, Other, Declined, Hispanic/Latin o, Non- Hispanic/Latin o, Unknown

Author, Year	Arm/ Group	Arm Label	N Patients	Patient Health Concern/Clinical Condition	Target Population	Age	Sex, n (%)	Race/Ethnicit y
Chang, 2021 ³²	Arm 2	Patients seen by telemedicine at dermatology clinic for nail issues (Follow- up visit)	50	Dermatology	NR	Mean: 48.6	Female: 0.58	White, Black, Asian, Other, Declined, Hispanic/Latin o, Non- Hispanic/Latin o, Unknown
Chesnel, 2021 ³³	Full group	Overall	328	Neurological diseases	NR	Mean: 55	Female: 211 (58.9)	NR
Cobo-Calbo, 2022 ³⁴	Full group	Full group	28230 visits	Multiple sclerosis	Not reported	Mean: NR	NR	NR
Compton, 2020 ³⁵	Full group	Patients with Cystic Fibrosis who were originally scheduled for in-person	63	Cystic Fibrosis	NR	Mean: NR Median: NR Range: NR	NR	NR
Corden, 2020 ³⁶	Full group	Patients rescheduled from outpatient dermatology appointments to telehealth appointments	488	Dermatology	NR	Mean: NR Median: NR Range: NR	NR	NR
Crawford, 2021 ³⁷	Full group	Patients receiving orthopaedic pre- op surgical planning via telemedicine then in-person	303	Orthopaedic Surgery	NR	Mean: 54	Female: 0.452	NR
Cunningham, 2022 ³⁸	Arm 1	Pre-pandemic (in-person)	72	Opioid use disorder	Adult and Elderly	Mean: 45.4	Female: 23 (31.9)	White, Black, Hispanic, Other
Cunningham, 2022 ³⁸	Arm 2	Pandemic (telemedicine)	35	Opioid use disorder	Adult and Elderly	Mean: 46.9	Female: 12 (34.3)	White, Black, Hispanic, Other
Cvietusa, 2022 ³⁹	Arm 1	No asthma care	2977	Asthma	Adult and Elderly	Mean: NR	Female: 1730 (35.2)	White, Black, Asian, Other, Hispanic

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Cvietusa, 2022 ³⁹	Arm 2	In-person only	1792	Asthma	Adult and Elderly	Mean: NR	Female: 1139 (23.2)	White, Black, Asian, Other, Hispanic
Cvietusa, 2022 ³⁹	Arm 3	Mixed (in- person and virtual)	1084	Asthma	Adult and Elderly	Mean: NR	Female: 758 (15.4)	White, Black, Asian, Other, Hispanic
Cvietusa, 2022 ³⁹	Arm 4	Virtual care only	1952	Asthma	Adult and Elderly	Mean: NR	Female: 1293 (26.3)	White, Black, Asian, Other, Hispanic
D'Anna, 2021 ⁴⁰	Arm 1	In-person (2019)	180	Stroke patients	Adult and Elderly	Median: 68.5	Male: 121 (67.22)	NR
D'Anna, 2021 ⁴⁰	Arm 2	Telephone (2020)	136	Stroke patients	Adult and Elderly	Median: 65	Male: 99 (72.79)	NR
Darr, 2020 ⁴¹	Full group	Overall	200	Otolaryngology	Children (<18)	Mean: 6.4 Range: 0.3-15	Male: 119 (59.5)	White: 103 (51.5), Black: 23 (11.5), Asian: 55 (27.5), Mixed: 11 (5.5), Other: 8 (4)
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 1	Patients attending post- partum visits Pre-COVID (in- person)	660	Pregnancy	Pregnant Women	Mean: Median: NR Range: NR	female: 1	Asian, White, Black/African American, Other
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Patients attending post- partum visits during COVID era (mixed telehealth/in- person)	585	Pregnancy	Pregnant Women	Mean: Median: NR Range: NR	female: 1	Asian, White, Black/African American, Other
De Marchi, 2021 ⁴³	Full group	Overall	19	ALS	Adults (18-65)	Mean: 51.48	Male: 7 (37)	NR
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	Arm 1	Pregnant individuals who received in- person pre-natal care	6559	Pregnancy	Pregnant Women	Mean: 27.8	Female: 1	Hispanic, Black, White, Other

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Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in-person prenatal care	6048	Pregnancy	Pregnant Women	Mean: 27.7	Female: 1	Hispanic, Black, White, Other
Etherton, 2021 ⁴⁵	Arm 1	Individuals recieveing telestroke consult pre- March 1	590	Stroke	NR	Mean: NR	NR	NR
Etherton, 2021 ⁴⁵	Arm 2	Individuals recieveing telestroke consult Post- March 1	254	Stroke	NR	Mean: NR	NR	NR
Ferry, 2021 ⁴⁶	Full group	Overall	223	COVID-19	Adults (18-65)	Median: 45 Range: 14-78	Female: NR (52.9)	NR
Fortier, 2022 ⁴⁷	Arm 1	in-person (usual care)	29	U.S. Veterans mental health treatment	Adults (18-65)	Mean: 39.9	Male: 25 (86.2)	White, Black, Asian, American Indian, Other, Hispanic
Fortier, 2022 ⁴⁷	Arm 2	Telehealth (virtual care)	45	U.S. Veterans mental health treatment	Adults (18-65)	Mean: 41.8	Male: 36 (80.0)	White, Black, Asian, American Indian, Other, Hispanic
Francis, 2021 ⁴⁸	Full group	Overall	900	COVID-19	Adults (18-65)	Mean: Post-inpatient admission: 61; Straight from community admission: 48.9	Female: Post- inpatient admission: 202 (45.5); Straight from community admission: 275 (60.4)	Black, Asian, Minority Ethnic
Fredwall, 2021 ⁴⁹	Arm 1	Patients seen in-person at Epilepsy Clinic	101	Epilepsy	Children (<18)	Mean: NR Median: NR Range: NR	NR	NR

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Fredwall, 2021 ⁴⁹	Arm 2	Patients seen by telemedicine at Epilepsy Clinic	23	Epilepsy	Children (<18)	Mean: 14	Female: 0.65	NR
Gaetani, 2021 ⁵⁰	Arm 1	Pre-COVID: Individuals with Hereditary Hemorrhagic Telangectasia	45	ННТ	NR	Mean: 56.7	Female: 0.53	NR
Gaetani, 2021 ⁵⁰	Arm 2	Post-COVID: Individuals with Hereditary Hemorrhagic Telangectasia (receiving telehealth)	45	ННТ	NR	Mean: 56.7	Female: 0.53	NR
Garmendia, 2021 ⁵¹	Arm 1	Individuals with Sleep Apnea attending outpatient clinic, pre-covid/in- person	193	Sleep Apnea	NR	Mean: NR	NR	NR
Garmendia, 2021 ⁵¹	Arm 2	Individuals with Sleep Apnea attending outpatient clinic, post-covid, telehealth	77	Sleep Apnea	NR	Mean: 56	male: 75	NR
Grandizio, 2022 ⁵²	Full group	Full group	32	Carpal tunnel syndrome	Adult and Elderly	Mean: 46	Male: 8 (25)	NR
Gross, 2020 ⁵³	Arm 1	Pre-COVID: Rehabilitation Services for Workers Compensation	3293	Occupational rehabilitation	Adults (18-65)	Mean: 45.9	Male: 0.593	NR
Gross, 2020 ⁵³	Arm 2	Post-COVID: Rehabilitation Services for Workers Compensation	1223	Occupational rehabilitation	Adults (18-65)	Mean: 45.8	Male: 0.603	NR

Author, Year	Arm/ Group	Arm Label	N Patients	Patient Health Concern/Clinical Condition	Target Population	Age	Sex, n (%)	Race/Ethnicit
Hameed, 2021 ⁵⁴	Arm 1	individuals with COVID-19 who received no services post- discharge	20	COVID-19	NR	Median: 58	female: 0.55	White, Black, Hispanic, Asian, Unknown
Hameed, 2021 ⁵⁴	Arm 2	Individuals with COVID-19 who received virtual physical therapy	44	COVID-19	NR	Median: 60	female: 0.57	White, Black, Hispanic, Asian, Unknown
Hameed, 2021 ⁵⁴	Arm 3	Individuals with COVID-19 who received home physical therapy	25	COVID-19	NR	Median: 57	female: 0.24	White, Black, Hispanic, Asian, Unknown
Hameed, 2021 ⁵⁴	Arm 4	Individuals with COVID-19 who performed independent at home exercise program	17	COVID-19	NR	Median: 59	female: 0.35	White, Black, Hispanic, Asian, Unknown
Hamner, 2021 ⁵⁵	Arm 1	In-person	608	General patient	Children (<18)	Mean: 10.1	Female: 232 (38.6)	White, Black, Other
Hamner, 2021 ⁵⁵	Arm 2	Telehealth	285	General patient	Children (<18)	Mean: 10.2	Female: 113 (39.6)	White, Black, Other
Hatef, 2022 ⁴	Full group	Full group	40739915	Blue Health Blue Shield Claims data	All age groups	Range: 0-50+	Female: 20480768 (50.3)	NR
Helmes, 2022 ⁵⁶	Full group	Full group	60	Dentoalveolar surgery	Adults (18-65)	Mean: 51.6	Female: NR (54.4)	NR
Hernando- Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 1	Women with Fibromyalgia receiving no exercise program	17	Fibromyalgia	Women	Mean: 55.06	Female: 1	NR
Hernando- Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 2	Women with Fibromyalgia receiving telerehabilitiatio n aerobic exercise program	17	Fibromyalgia	Women	Mean: 51.81	Female: 1	NR

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Hughes, 2021 ⁵⁸	Arm 1	Individuals receiving office based opioid treatment pre- covid	196	Opioid Use Disorder	NR	Mean: 38.1	Male: 0.413	White
Hughes, 2021 ⁵⁸	Arm 2	Individuals receiving office based opioid treatment during "transition time"	171	Opioid Use Disorder	NR	Mean: 37.4	Male: 0.427	White
Hughes, 2021 ⁵⁸	Arm 3	Individuals receiving office based opioid treatment during COVID	221	Opioid Use Disorder	NR	Mean: 37.4	Male: 0.425	White
Hutchings, 2021 ⁵⁹	Full group	Overall	173	COVID-19	NR	Median: 38 Range: 29160	NR	NR
Irarrazaval, 2021 ⁶⁰	Arm 1	In-person	113	Abdominal surgery patients	Adult and Elderly	Median: 53	Male: 54 (48)	NR
Irarrazaval, 2021 ⁶⁰	Arm 2	Telemedicine	106	Abdominal surgery patients	Adult and Elderly	Median: 49	Male: 48 (45)	NR
Jaenisch, 2020 ⁶¹	Full group	Patients in German Hospital with no Hip Pathology receiving telehealth exam	29	Hip Pathology	NR	Mean: 61.9	Male: 0.517	NR
Jansen, 2020 ⁶²	Full group	Patients with spinal complaints examined via video	43	Back Pain	NR	Mean: 60	Female: 0.5581	NR
Kablinger, 2022 ⁶³	Full group	Full group	2145	Psychiatric patients	Adult and Elderly	Range: 18-87	Female: 1485 (69.23)	White, Other
Kazi, 2021 ⁶⁴	Full group	Overall	Number of visits: 2623	Dermatology patients	NR	Mean: 39.4	Male: 843 (32.1)	NR
Kazi, 2021 ⁶⁴	Arm 2	Asynchronous visits	Number of visits: 951	Dermatology patients	NR	Mean: 35.3	Male: 300 (31.5)	NR

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Kazi, 2021 ⁶⁴	Arm 3	Synchronous visits	Number of visits: 1672	Dermatology patients	NR	Mean: 41.8	Male: 543 (32.5)	NR
Kerestes, 2021 ⁶⁵	Arm 1	Patients who received abortion services in- person	110	Family Planning	Pregancy	Mean: 28.1	Female: 1	NR
Kerestes, 2021 ⁶⁵	Arm 2	Patients who received abortion services via telehealth	224	Family Planning	Pregnancy	Mean: 27.3	Female: 1	NR
Khosla, 2022 ⁶⁶	Arm 1	Pre-pandemic	215	Hypertensive disorder of pregnancy	Adults (18-65)	Mean: 29	Female: 215 (100)	White, Black, Asian, Other, Hispanic
Khosla, 2022 ⁶⁶	Arm 2	Post-pandemic	258	Hypertensive disorder of pregnancy	Adults (18-65)	Mean: 30	Female: 258 (100)	White, Black, Asian, Other, Hispanic
Kim, 2021 ⁶⁷	Full group	Pediatric patients evaluated by telehealth	406	COVID-19	Children (<18)	Median: 4.4 Range: 0-17	NR	NR
Klain, 2021 ⁶⁸	Arm 1	2019 visit (corresponding period to first visit during COVID-19)	75	Differentiated thyroid cancer	Adults (18-65)	Mean: 46	Male: 21 (28)	NR
Klain, 2021 ⁶⁸	Arm 2	2020 first telemedicine visit during COVID-19	54	Differentiated thyroid cancer	Adults (18-65)	Mean: 45	Male: 13 (24)	NR
Klain, 2021 ⁶⁸	Arm 3	2019 visit (corresponding period to followup visit during COVID- 19)	450	Differentiated thyroid cancer	Adults (18-65)	Mean: 50	Male: 83 (18)	NR

Author, Year	Arm/ Group	Arm Label	N Patients	Patient Health Concern/Clinical Condition	Target Population	Age	Sex, n (%)	Race/Ethnicit y
Klain, 2021 ⁶⁸	Arm 4	2020 telemedicine followup visit during COVID- 19	391	Differentiated thyroid cancer	Adults (18-65)	Mean: 51	Male: 91 (23)	NR
Kolb, 2021 ⁶⁹	Arm 1	Patients receiving in- person outpatient care at ENT clinic (Recurrent Acute Otitis Media Cohort)	50	Otolaryngology	Children (<18)	Mean: 24.4 (months)	Male: 0.62	White, Black, Hispanic, Other
Kolb, 2021 ⁶⁹	Arm 2	Patients receiving telehealth outpatient care at ENT clinic, (Reccurent Acute Otitis Media Cohort)	50	Otolaryngology	Children (<18)	Mean: 17 (months)	Male: 0.6	White, Black, Hispanic, Other
Kolb, 2021 ⁶⁹	Arm 1	Patients receiving in- person outpatient care at ENT clinic, (Sleep- Disorderd Breathing Cohort)	64	Otolaryngology	Children (<18)	Mean: 5.29 (years)	Male: 0.55	White, Black, Hispanic, Other
Kolb, 2021 ⁶⁹	Arm 2	Patients receiving telehealth outpatient care at ENT clinic, (Sleep- Disorderd Breathing Cohort)	64	Otolaryngology	Children (<18)	Mean: 5.47 (years)	Male: 0.5	White, Black, Hispanic, Other
Korycinski, 2022 ⁷⁰	Full group	Full group	293	COVID-19	Adult and Elderly	Mean: 46.03	Female: 163 (55.6)	White, Black, Other

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Kronenberger, 2021 ⁷¹	Arm 1	Normal hearing	38	Cochlear implants	Other (define)	Mean: 14.6	Male: 17	NR
Kronenberger, 2021 ⁷¹	Arm 2	Cochlear implant	28	Cochlear implants	Other (define)	Mean: 14.8	Male: 15	NR
Levinson, 2021 ⁷²	Arm 1	In-person	60	Eating disorder	Adults (18-65)	Mean: 25.07	Cisgender women: 51 (85)	White, Black, Hispanic, Asian, Multiracial
Levinson, 2021 ⁷²	Arm 2	Telehealth (Zoom)	33	Eating disorder	Adults (18-65)	Mean: 24.52	Cisgender women: 29 (87.88)	White, Black, Hispanic, Asian, Multiracial
Li, 2021 ⁷³	Arm 1	F2F	39	Acute tonsillitis	NR	Median: 18	M/F ratio: 1.05:1	NR
Li, 2021 ⁷³	Arm 2	Remote consultation	151	Acute tonsillitis	NR	Median: 23	M/F ratio: 0.62:1	NR
Li, 2021 ⁷⁴	Arm 1	Patients triaged in-person for ophthalmologic issue	451	Ophthalmology	NR	Median: 49	Male: 0.55	NR
Li, 2021 ⁷⁴	Arm 2	Patients receiving virtual triage for ophthalmologic issue	404	Ophthalmology	NR	Median: 43	Female: 0.54	NR
Lightsey, 2021 ⁷⁵	Full group	Patients receiving pre-op surgical planning via telemedicine then in-person	33	Spine Surgery	NR	Mean: 59.3	Male: 0.667	NR
Lindhagen, 2022 ⁷⁶	Full group	Full group	894	Inflammatory bowel disease	Adults (18-65)	Mean: 47.6	Female: 422 (47.2)	NR
Liu, 2021 ⁷⁷	Full group	Full Group clinic patients at various outpatient facilities	1376	Gastroenterology/Rhe umatology	NR	Mean: 55.06	Female: 0.5233	NR

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Liu, 2021 ⁷⁷	Arm 1	Pre-COVID clinic patients at various outpatient facilities	692	Gastroenterology/Rhe umatology	NR	Mean: 55.63	Female: 0.5361	NR
Liu, 2021 ⁷⁷	Arm 2	Post-COVID clinic patients at various outpatient facilities	684	Gastroenterology/Rhe umatology	NR	Mean: 54.47	Female: 0.5102	NR
Loftus, 2022 ⁷⁸	Full group	Full group	129	Suspected fibromyalgia and chronic abdominal pain	Adult and Elderly	Mean: 45	Female: 98 (76)	White, Black, Native American, Other
Longobardi, 2021 ⁷⁹	Full group	Patients who underwent laryngectomy receiving depression screening via telehealth	37	Laryngectomy	NR	Mean: 67.72	Male: 0.946	NR
Mair, 2021 ⁸⁰	Arm 1	Pre-COVID (2019)	210	Rheumatology patients	NR	Mean: 54.6	Female: 142 (67.6)	NR
Mair, 2021 ⁸⁰	Arm 2	Telerheum	340	Rheumatology patients	NR	Mean: 55.6	Female: 244 (71.8)	NR
Malliaras, 2020 ⁸¹	Arm 1	Advice only	12	Rotator cuff–related shoulder pain	Adults (18-65)	Mean: 53.7	Female: 11 (92)	NR
Malliaras, 2020 ⁸¹	Arm 2	Recommended care	12	Rotator cuff–related shoulder pain	Adults (18-65)	Mean: 51.3	Female: 10 (83)	NR
Malliaras, 2020 ⁸¹	Arm 3	Recommended and telerehabilitation	12	Rotator cuff–related shoulder pain	Adults (18-65)	Mean: 56.6	Female: 11 (92)	NR
Margolius, 2021 ⁸²	Full group	Patients with COVID-19 symptoms evaluated over Telehealth	10208	COVID-19	NR	Mean: 41.9	Female: 0.67	NR

Author, Year	Arm/ Group	Arm Label	N Patients	Patient Health Concern/Clinical Condition	Target Population	Age	Sex, n (%)	Race/Ethnicit y
Martin, 2021 ⁸³	Arm 1	Individuals discharged from hospital due to covid receiving standard of care	13	Rehabilitation, COVID-19	NR	Mean: 61.5	Male: 0.785	NR
Martin, 2021 ⁸³	Arm 2	Individuals discharged from hospital due to covid receiving telerehabilitation	14	Rehabilitation, COVID-19	NR	Mean: 60.8	Male: 0.461	NR
Martinez- Garcia, 2020 ⁸⁴	Full group	Full Group receiveing telehealth and monitoring after COVID-19 diagnosis	313	COVID-19 Infection	Other (define)	Mean: 60.9 Range: 18-92	Male: 0.476	NR
McCoy, 2022 ⁸⁵	Arm 1	In-person before telemedicine	113	Pediatric otolaryngology patients	Children (<18)	Mean: 4.99	Female: 43 (38.1)	White, Black, Not specified
McCoy, 2022 ⁸⁵	Arm 2	Telemedicine	59	Pediatric otolaryngology patients	Children (<18)	Mean: 6.15	Female: 30 (50.8)	White, Black, Not specified
McCoy, 2022 ⁸⁵	Arm 3	In-person during telemedicine	4	Pediatric otolaryngology patients	Children (<18)	Mean: 8.78	Female: 3 (75)	White, Black, Not specified
McLachlan, 2021 ⁸⁶	Full group	Individuls with Heart Failure receiving outpatient telehealth monitoring	50	Heart Failure	NR	Mean: 58.9	male: 76	Maori
McNamara, 2021 ⁸⁷	Full group	Full group	537	Primary care, pharmacy visit	Adult and Elderly	Mean: 62.52	Female: 273 (50.8)	White, Black, Asian, Native, Other, Hispanic

Author, Year	Arm/ Group	Arm Label	N Patients	Patient Health Concern/Clinical Condition	Target Population	Age	Sex, n (%)	Race/Ethnicit y
Mehtani, 2021 ⁸⁸	Full group	Patients recieveing Additicion Telehealth Program consult while in Isolation and Quarentine for COVID-19	59	Opioid Use Disorder	NR	Mean: NR	Male: 0.67	Black or African American
Miller, 2021 ⁸⁹	Arm 1	Pre-COVID: Acute Rhinosinusitis Diagnosis	3654	Rhinosinusitis	NR	Mean: 51.1	Female: 0.707	NR
Miller, 2021 ⁸⁹	Arm 2	Post-COVID: Acute Rhinosinusitis Diagnosis	2075	Rhinosinusitis	NR	Mean: 51.9	Female: 0.733	NR
Minsky, 202190	Full group	Overall	279	Overweight	NR	Mean: 53	Female: NR (69)	NR
Offiah, 2022 ⁹¹	Arm 1	Traditional clinic	1220	Cardiology patients	Adult and Elderly	Mean: 61	Female: 548 (44.9)	NR
Offiah, 2022 ⁹¹	Arm 2	Virtual clinic	496	Cardiology patients	Adult and Elderly	Mean: 60	Female: 208 (41.9)	NR
Okeefe, 2021 ⁹²	Full group	Patients diagnosed with COVID-19 assigned to home monitoring program	496	COVID-19	NR	Mean: 47.6	Female: 0.665	Black, White, Other
Okeefe, 2021 ⁹²	Arm 1	Patients (Risk Tier 1, Low Risk) diagnosed with COVID-19 assigned to home monitoring program	237	COVID-19	NR	Mean: 41.5	Female: 0.658	Black, White, Other

Author, Year	Arm/ Group	Arm Label	N Patients	Patient Health Concern/Clinical Condition	Target Population	Age	Sex, n (%)	Race/Ethnicit y
Okeefe, 2021 ⁹²	Arm 2	Patients (Risk Tier 2, Intermediate Risk)diagnosed with COVID-19 assigned to home monitoring program	185	COVID-19	NR	Mean: 52.5	Female: 0.676	Black, White, Other
Okeefe, 2021 ⁹²	Arm 3	Patients (Risk Tier 3, High Risk)diagnosed with COVID-19 assigned to home monitoring program	74	COVID-19	NR	Mean: 54.9	Female: 0.554	Black, White, Other
Onishi, 2021 ⁹³	Full group	Patients with diabetes treated before and after COVID- 19/Telehealth	2727	Diabetes	NR	Median: 68.6	Male: 0.791	NR
Ostberg, 2022 ⁹⁴	Arm 1	In-person	455	Patients with chest pain	Adults (18-65)	Median: 43	Male: 227 (49.9)	NR
Ostberg, 2022 ⁹⁴	Arm 2	Telehealth (Zoom)	455	Patients with chest pain	Adults (18-65)	Median: 44	Male: 228 (50.1)	NR
Parise, 202195	Arm 1	Not included in telemedicine study	43	Type-1 diabetes	Adults (18-65)	Mean: 37	Male: 21 (49)	NR
Parise, 202195	Arm 2	Included in telemedicine study	166	Type-1 diabetes	Adults (18-65)	Mean: 40	Male: 80 (48.2)	NR
Phillips, 2021 ⁹⁶	Arm 1	Individuals presenting to initial in-person visit at respiratory assessment center	741	Pulmonary	NR	Median: 43.5	female: 0.636	NR

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Phillips, 2021 ⁹⁶	Arm 2	Individuals presenting to initial telehealth visit at respiratory assessment center	564	Pulmonary	NR	Median: 42.05	female: 0.668	NR
Pinsker, 2021 ⁹⁷	Arm 1	Individuls with diabetes receiving in- person insulin pump training	NR	Diabetes	Other (define)	Mean: NR Median: NR Range: NR	NR	NR
Pinsker, 2021 ⁹⁷	Arm 2	Individuls with diabetes receiving virtual insulin pump training	8984	Diabetes	Other (define)	Mean: NR Median: NR Range: NR	NR	NR
Postorino, 2020 ⁹⁸	Full group	Overall	3828	hematological disorders	General adult	Mean: 58 Range: 18-93	Male: NR (58)	NR
Rachmeil, 2020 ⁹⁹	Full group	Children with Type 1 diabetes rescheduled to a telehealth visit	195	Diabetes	Children (<18)	Mean: 16.5	Male: 0.514	NR
Ragheb, 2021 ¹⁰⁰	Arm 1	In-person	171	High-risk obstetric patients	Adults (18-65)	Mean: NR	Female: 171 (100)	White, Black, Asian, Native, Other, Hispanic
Ragheb, 2021 ¹⁰⁰	Arm 2	Telehealth	51	High-risk obstetric patients	Adults (18-65)	Median: NR	Female: 51 (100)	White, Black, Asian, Native, Other, Hispanic
Reddy, 2021 ¹⁰¹	Full group	Full group	1744	Cancer patients	Adult and Elderly	Median: 60	Female: 924 (53)	White, Black, Asian, Hispanic, Other

Author, Year	Arm/ Group	Arm Label	N Patients	Patient Health Concern/Clinical Condition	Target Population	Age	Sex, n (%)	Race/Ethnicit y
Reider-Demer, 2022 ¹⁰²	Arm 1	Pre-COVID19 patients	485	Neurology patients	Adult and Elderly (32-67)	Mean: 46	Female: 288 (59)	White, Black, Asian, American Indian, Pacific Islander, Other, Unknown
Reider-Demer, 2022 ¹⁰²	Arm 2	COVID19 patients	6709	Neurology patients	Adult and Elderly (32-67)	Mean: 51	Female: 3854 (57)	White, Black, Asian, American Indian, Pacific Islander, Other, Unknown
Reynolds- Wright, 2021 ¹⁰³	Full group	Individuals receiving medical abortion at home after telehealth visit	663	Abortion	Other (define)	Mean: 27.6	female: 100	NR
Ripp, 2022 ¹⁰⁴	Arm 1	In-person (2019)	1077	Developmental- behavioral pediatrics	Children (<18)	Mean: 9.4	Female: 270 (25.1)	White, Black, Native Hawaiian, Native American, Other, Hispanic
Ripp, 2022 ¹⁰⁴	Arm 2	Telehealth (2020)	354	Developmental- behavioral pediatrics	Children (<18)	Mean: 9.3	Female: 91 (25.7)	White, Black, Native Hawaiian, Native American, Other, Hispanic
Rizzoli, 2021 ¹⁰⁵	Full group	Overall	14	Medication overuse for headaches	Adults (18-65)	Mean: 45.2	Male: 3 (27.3)	NR
Rohan, 2021 ¹⁰⁶	Arm 1	Individauls referred for Kidney transplant pre- covid in-person	1639	Kidney Transplant	NR	Mean: NR Median: NR Range: NR	NR	NR

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Rohan, 2021 ¹⁰⁶	Arm 2	Individauls evaluated for Kidney transplant post- covid via telehealth	1258	Kidney Transplant	NR	Mēan: 54	Female: 0.4157	African American, White
Rowe, 2021 ¹⁰⁷	Arm 1	Telephone Cardiology Outpatient Visits	1118	Cardiology	NR	Median: 67 Range: 54-76	Male: 0.564	NR
Rowe, 2021 ¹⁰⁷	Arm 2	Video Cardiology Outpatient Visits	327	Cardiology	NR	Median: 61 Range: 46-71	Male: 0.651	NR
Russo, 2021 ¹⁰⁸	Full group	Patients with cardiovascular disease receiving nursing teleconsultation	150	Cardiovascular disease	NR	Mean: 67	Male: 0.68	NR
Rysinka, 2021 ¹⁰⁹	Arm 1	Patients having having in- person primary care appointment	6792	Primary Care	Elders (65+)	Mean: 74.8	female: 0.608	White, Blck, Asian, Other, Hispanic
Rysinka, 2021 ¹⁰⁹	Arm 2	Patients having having telehealth primary care appointment	10311	Primary Care	Elders (65+)	Mean: 75.1	female: 0.605	White, Blck, Asian, Other, Hispanic
Sawka, 2021 ¹¹⁰	Full group	Full Group of individuals enrolled in Observational Study during COVID	181	Thyroid Cancer	NR	Mean: 52 Range: 20-85	Male: 0.231	NR
Sawka, 2021 ¹¹⁰	Arm 1	Choice of Active Surveillance for Thyroid Cancer	141	Thyroid Cancer	NR	Mean: NR Median: NR Range: NR	NR	NR
Sawka, 2021 ¹¹⁰	Arm 2	Choice of Surgery for Thyroid Cancer	41	Thyroid Cancer	NR	Mean: NR Median: NR Range: NR	NR	NR

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Schafer, 2022 ¹¹¹	Arm 1	In-person	384	Recurrent acute otitis media patients	Children (<18)	Median: 1.58	NR	White, Black, Other
Schafer, 2022 ¹¹¹	Arm 2	Telemedicine (not specified)	140	Recurrent acute otitis media patients	Children (<18)	Median: 1.32	NR	White, Black, Other
Schweiberger, 2020 ¹¹²	Arm 1	Outpatient practices with low telemedicine use	NR	NR	NR	Mean: NR Median: NR Range: NR	NR	NR
Schweiberger, 2020 ¹¹²	Arm 2	Outpatient practices with intermediate telemedicine use	NR	NR	NR	Mean: NR Median: NR Range: NR	NR	NR
Schweiberger, 2020 ¹¹²	Arm 3	Outpatient practices with high telemedicine use	NR	NR	NR	Mean: NR Median: NR Range: NR	NR	NR
Seghezzo, 2021 ¹¹³	Full group	In-person then Virtual visits for diagnostic test	43	Concussion	NR	Median: 63	NR	NR
Sevilis, 2022 ¹¹⁴	Arm 1	Pre-COVID	15226	Stroke patients	Adult and Elderly	Mean: 67	Female: 8082 (53.1)	NR
Sevilis, 2022 ¹¹⁴	Arm 2	COVID	11105	Stroke patients	Adult and Elderly	Mean: 66.7	Female: 5802 (52.2)	NR
Shabto, 2020 ¹¹⁵	Full group	Individuals enrolled in virtual outpatient management clinic (ECVMOC) with diabetes	49	Diabetes and COVID- 19	NR	Mean: NR	Male: 0.27	White
Sharma, 2020 ¹¹⁶	Full group	Overall	215	Tonsillitis, sleep apnea, stridor, neck lumps, blocked nose, epistaxis OME/RAOM/AOM	Children (<18)	Mean: NR Median: NR Range: NR	NR	NR
Sharma, 2020 ¹¹⁷	Arm 1	IBD Services before COVID (2019)	1036	Irritable Bowel Disease (IBD)	NR	Median: 36 Range: 22-76	Female: 0.46	NR

Author, Year	Arm/ Group	Arm Label	N Patients	Patient Health Concern/Clinical Condition	Target Population	Age	Sex, n (%)	Race/Ethnicit
Sharma, 2020 ¹¹⁷	Arm 2	IBD Services after COVID (2020)	334	Irritable Bowel Disease (IBD)	NR	Median: 29 Range: 17-91	Female: 0.36	NR
Smith, 2021 ¹¹⁸	Full group	Patients receiving virtual urgent care services	18278	Urgent Care	NR	Median: 40 Range: 32-53	NR	NR
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Individuals with Epilepsy receiving neuropsychologi cal assessment	29	Epilepsy	NR	Mean: NR Median: NR Range: NR	NR	NR
Tarn, 2021 ¹²⁰	Arm 1	Patients receiving in- person outpatient care at primary care clinic	52	Primary Care	NR	Mean: 26.4 Range: 1-72	Female: 0.423	Asian, Black. Hispanic, Other, White, Unknown
Tarn, 2021 ¹²⁰	Arm 2	Patients receiving telephone outpatient care at primary care clinic	55	Primary Care	NR	Mean: 40.7 Range: 1-89	Female: 0.709	Asian, Black. Hispanic, Other, White, Unknown
Tarn, 2021 ¹²⁰	Arm 3	Patients receiving telehealth(video) outpatient care at primary care clinic	89	Primary Care	NR	Mean: 40.3 Range: 4-73	Female: 0.64	Asian, Black. Hispanic, Other, White, Unknown
Taxonera, 2020 ¹²¹	Arm 1	Individuals with IBD attending virtual IBD clinic, scheduled visits	123	Inflammatory Bowel Disease	NR	Mean: 49	male: 45	NR
Taxonera, 2020 ¹²¹	Arm 2	Individuals with IBD attending virtual IBD clinic, urgent visits	48	Inflammatory Bowel Disease	NR	Mean: 47	male: 50	NR

Author, Year	Arm/ Group	Arm Label	N Patients	Patient Health Concern/Clinical Condition	Target Population	Age	Sex, n (%)	Race/Ethnicit y
Tchang, 2022 ¹²²	Arm 1	In-person	69	Overweight/Obese patients	Adults (18-65)	Median: 56	Female: 50 (72)	White, Black, Asian, Pacific Islander, Other
Tchang, 2022 ¹²²	Arm 2	Hybrid	85	Overweight/Obese patients	Adults (18-65)	Median: 49	Female: 64 (75)	White, Black, Asian, Pacific Islander, Other
Tchang, 2022 ¹²²	Arm 3	Video	91	Overweight/Obese patients	Adults (18-65)	Median: 49	Female: 71 (78)	White, Black, Asian, Pacific Islander, Other
Uppal, 2022 ¹²³	Arm 1	In-person	437	Surgical patients postoperative visit	Adult and Elderly	Mean: 59.1	Female: 186 (42.6)	White, Black, Asian, Other, Hispanic
Uppal, 2022 ¹²³	Arm 2	Telehealth	98	Surgical patients postoperative visit	Adult and Elderly	Mean: 56.6	Female: 46 (46.9)	White, Black, Asian, Other, Hispanic
Wabe, 2022 ¹²⁴	Arm 1	Face to face	8303233	General practice	Adult and Elderly	Mean: NR	Female: 4684918 (56.4)	NR
Wabe, 2022 ¹²⁴	Arm 2	Telehealth	5304983	General practice	Adult and Elderly	Mean: NR	Female: 3324348 (62.7)	NR
Watson, 2021 ¹²⁵	Arm 1	Pre-telephone clinic (face to face)	814	Cancer patients	Adult and Elderly	Mean: 62.52	NR	NR
Watson, 2021 ¹²⁵	Arm 2	Post- introduction (telephone)	910	Cancer patients	Adult and Elderly	Mean: 62.77	NR	NR
Winkleman, 2020 ¹²⁶	Full group	Pediatric Urology patients scheduled for telehealth visit	116	Pediatric Urology	Children (<18)	Median: 5 Range: 1.6-11	Male: 0.621	White, Black, Hispanic/Latin o, Asian, American Indian/Alaskan Native
Wu, 2021 ¹²⁷	Full group	Overall	66	Patients undergoing cancer treatment	Adults (18-65)	Mean: NR Median: NR Range: NR	Male: 34 (52)	White British: 61 (92), Asian: 1 (2), Black: 2 (3), Other White: 2 (3)

Author, Year	Arm/ Group	Arm Label	N Patients	Patient Health Concern/Clinical Condition	Target Population	Age	Sex, n (%)	Race/Ethnicit y
Ye, 2022 ¹²⁸	Arm 1	In-person	20745	High blood pressure	Adult and Elderly	Mean: 66.7	Female: 10256 (49.4)	White, Black, Asian, Pacific Islander, Other, Hispanic
Ye, 2022 ¹²⁸	Arm 2	1 telemedicine visit	6878	High blood pressure	Adult and Elderly	Mean: 65.7	Female: 3553 (51.7)	White, Black, Asian, Pacific Islander, Other, Hispanic
Ye, 2022 ¹²⁸	Arm 3	2 or more telemedicine visits	5104	High blood pressure	Adult and Elderly	Mean: 65.4	Female: 3236 (63.4)	White, Black, Asian, Pacific Islander, Other, Hispanic
Ye, 2022 ¹²⁹	Arm 1	In-person	3810	Orthopedic spine patients	Adults (18-65)	Mean: 55	Female: 2051 (53.8)	White, Black, Asian, Other, Hispanic
Ye, 2022 ¹²⁹	Arm 2	Telehealth	4387	Orthopedic spine patients	Adults (18-65)	Mean: 55.6	Female: 2505 (57.1)	White, Black, Asian, Other, Hispanic
Zayde, 2021 ¹³⁰	Full group	Full group	12 dyads	Caregivers and children (general mental health)	Children and adult caregivers	Mean: Caregiver age: 44.17 Child age: 11.08	Female (for children): 3 (25)	White, Black, multi-racial
Zhang, 2021 ¹³¹	Full group	Patients scheduled for telehealth outpatient at orthopaedic office	298	Orthopaedics	NR	Mean: 48	Male: 0.41	NR
Zhao, 2021 ¹³²	Arm 1	Individuals with heart failure attending in- person outpatient appointments	39	Heart Failure	NR	Mean: 71	female: 0.256	NR

Author, Year	Arm/ Group	Arm Label	N Patients	Patient Health Concern/Clinical Condition	Target Population	Age	Sex, n (%)	Race/Ethnicit y
Zhao, 2021 ¹³²	Arm 2	Individuals with heart failure attending in- person telehealth appointments	43	Heart Failure	NR	Mean: 70.4	female: 0.279	NR
Zhu, 2021 ¹³³	Arm 1	2019 cohort (face to face)	1443	Rheumatology patients	Adults (18-65)	Median: 55	Female: 902 (70.1)	NR
Zhu, 2021 ¹³³	Arm 2	2020 cohort (telehealth)	1597	Rheumatology patients	Adults (18-65)	Median: 54	Female: 1042 (69.8)	NR
Zimmerman, 2021 ¹³⁴	Arm 1	In-person	207	General	Adults (18-65)	Mean: 38.16	Male: 62 (30)	White, Black, Asian, Other, Hispanic
Zimmerman, 2021 ¹³⁴	Arm 2	Telehealth	207	General	Adults (18-65)	Mean: 35.88	Male: 55 (26.6)	White, Black, Asian, Other, Hispanic

ED=emergency department; ENT= ear, nose, and throat; F2F=face to face; N=sample size; NR=not reported; RIC=referred to clinic

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Aazh, 2021 ¹²	NR	NR	NR
Afonso Noguueria, 2021 ¹³	1	Representative of a single large facility or organization	Heart failure clinic in hospital
Aiken, 2021 ¹⁴	3	NR	Abortion providers
Akama-Garren, 2021 ¹⁵	NR	NR	NR
Akerly, 2021 ¹⁶	NR	NR	NR
Albornoz-Cabello, 202117	NR	NR	NR
Albornoz-Cabello, 2021 ¹⁷	NR	NR	NR
Alvarez, 2020 ¹⁸	1	Representative of a single large facility or organization	NR
Arias, 2022 ¹⁹	1	Representative of a single large facility or organization	Postpartum care
Barequet, 2021 ²⁰	1	Limited study of less than above	Primary care (wide, full-range care)
Baughman, 2021 ²¹	1	Large/Regionally representative	Primary care (wide, full-range care)
Bogin, 2022 ²²	14	Limited study of less than above	Primary care (wide, full-range care)
Boles, 2022 ²³	1	Representative of a single large facility or organization	Surgical
Borgen, 2021 ²⁴	NR	NR	Home-care services
Boscari, 2021 ²⁵	NR	NR	NR
Boshara, 2022 ²⁶	1	Large/Regionally representative	HIV
Cancer, 2021 ²⁷	3	Representative of a single large facility or organization	Rehab/PT/OT/etc.
Candel, 2020 ²⁸	NR	NR	NR
Capozza, 2020 ²⁹	NR	NR	NR
Carlberg, 2020 ³⁰	1	Limited study of less than above	Tertiary care, Level I trauma center
Casariego-Vales, 2021 ³¹	3 hospitals, 84 clinics	Regional healthcare network	At home monitoring
Chang, 2021 ³²	NR	NR	NR
Chesnel, 2021 ³³	1	Representative of a single large facility or organization	Neurology department
Cobo-Calbo, 2022 ³⁴	1	Limited study of less than above	MS/Autoimmune disorder center
Compton, 2020 ³⁵	1	NR	Adult cystic fibrosis clinic
Corden, 2020 ³⁶	NR	NR	NR
Crawford, 202137	NR	NR	NR
Cunningham, 2022 ³⁸	6	Representative of a single large facility or organization	Rehab/PT/OT/etc.

Table D.4. Provider characteristics of studies investigating benefits and harms of telehealth during COVID-19 (Key Question 2)

Author, Year	N Providers	Healthcare System	Specialty/Clinical Focus
Cvietusa, 2022 ³⁹	1	Large/Regionally representative	Primary care (wide, full-range care)
D'Anna, 202140	1	Representative of a single large facility or organization	Primary care (wide, full-range care)
Darr, 2020 ⁴¹	NR	NR STATES	Paediatric otolaryngology outpatient services
Das, 2021 ⁴²	NR	NR	NR
De Marchi, 202143	1	NR	ALS center
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	1	NR	Antenatal and postpartum care clinic
Etherton, 2021 ⁴⁵	1	Telestroke hospital network	Telestroke hospital network
Ferry, 2021 ⁴⁶	NR	NR	NR
Fortier, 2022 ⁴⁷	1	Large/Regionally representative	Mental health
Francis, 202148	NR	NR	General hospital
Fredwall, 202149	1	NR	Epilepsy clinic
Gaetani, 2021 ⁵⁰	1	NR	Hereditary hemorrhagic telangiectasia center
Garmendia, 2021 ⁵¹	NR	NR	Sleep unit
Grandizio, 2022 ⁵²	1	Limited study of less than above	Surgical
Gross, 2020 ⁵³	NR	NR	NR
Hameed, 2021 ⁵⁴	NR	NR	NR
Hamner, 202155	1	Representative of a single large facility or organization	Mental health
Hatef, 2022 ⁴	1	Nationally representative	Not reported
Helmes, 2022 ⁵⁶	1	Limited study of less than above	Dental surgery
Hernando-Garijo, 202157	NR	NR	NR
Hernando-Garijo, 202157	NR	NR	NR
Hughes, 2021 ⁵⁸	NR	NR	NR
Hutchings, 202159	NR	NR	NR
Irarrazaval, 202160	1	Representative of a single large facility or organization	Surgical
Jaenisch, 202061	NR	NR S S S S S	NR
Jansen, 2020 ⁶²	NR	NR	NR
Kablinger, 2022 ⁶³	1	Limited study of less than above	Mental health
Kazi, 2021 ⁶⁴	1	Large/Regionally representative	Dermatology
Kerestes, 2021 ⁶⁵	NR	NR	Family planning clinic

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Khosla, 202266	1	Limited study of less than above	Primary care (wide, full-range care)
Kim, 202167	NR	NR	NR
Klain, 2021 ⁶⁸	1	NR	Radiometabolic Unit
Kolb, 202169	NR	NR	NR
Korycinski, 2022 ⁷⁰	1	Limited study of less than above	Primary care (wide, full-range care)
Kronenberger, 2021 ⁷¹	NR	NR	NR
Levinson, 2021 ⁷²	1	Limited study of less than above	Eating disorder
Li, 2021 ⁷³	NR	NR	NR
Li, 2021 ⁷⁴	NR	NR	Eye hospital
Lightsey, 2021 ⁷⁵	NR	NR	NR
Lindhagen, 2022 ⁷⁶	1	Representative of a single large facility or organization	Gastroenterology department
Liu, 2021 ⁷⁷	NR	NR	NR
Loftus, 2022 ⁷⁸	3	Limited study of less than above	Multidisciplinary clinics
Longobardi, 2021 ⁷⁹	NR	NR	Otolaryngology Clinic
Mair, 2021 ⁸⁰	1	NR	Rheumatoloty clinic
Malliaras, 2020 ⁸¹	NR	NR	Recruited from community
Margolius, 2021 ⁸²	NR	NR	NR
Martin, 2021 ⁸³	NR	NR	NR
Martinez-Garcia, 2020 ⁸⁴	NR	NR	NR
McCoy, 2022 ⁸⁵	1	Representative of a single large facility or organization	Otolaryngology
McLachlan, 2021 ⁸⁶	NR	NR 0 0 0 0	NR
McNamara, 2021 ⁸⁷	9	Representative of a single large facility or organization	Pharmacy visit
Mehtani, 2021 ⁸⁸	NR	NR	Pharmacy
Miller, 2021 ⁸⁹	NR	NR	NR
Minsky, 2021 ⁹⁰	1	NR	Weight management clinic
Offiah, 2022 ⁹¹	41	Large/Regionally representative	General cardiology clinics in hospital
Okeefe, 2021 ⁹²	NR	NR	NR
Onishi, 2021 ⁹³	1	NR	Diabetes clinic
Ostberg, 2022 ⁹⁴	2	Not reported	Primary care (wide, full-range care)

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Parise, 202195	3	Representative of a single large facility or organization	Diabetes care center
Phillips, 202196	1	NR	Primary care run respiratory assessment center
Pinsker, 202197	NR	NR	Diabetic center
Postorino, 202098	NR	NR	Onco-Haematology
Rachmeil, 202099	NR	NR	NR
Ragheb, 2021 ¹⁰⁰	1	Representative of a single large facility or organization	Obstetric anesthesia
Reddy, 2021 ¹⁰¹	1	Limited study of less than above	Cancer care
Reider-Demer, 2022 ¹⁰²	1	Representative of a single large facility or organization	Neurology clinic
Reynolds-Wright, 2021 ¹⁰³	NR	NR	NR
Ripp, 2022 ¹⁰⁴	1	Representative of a single large facility or organization	Mental health
Rizzoli, 2021 ¹⁰⁵	NR	NR	NR
Rohan, 2021 ¹⁰⁶	NR	NR	NR
Rowe, 2021 ¹⁰⁷	1	NR	Cardiology clinic
Russo, 2021 ¹⁰⁸	NR	NR	NR
Rysinka, 2021 ¹⁰⁹	32	Regional healthcare network	Primary care clinic
Sawka, 2021 ¹¹⁰	NR	NR	NR
Schafer, 2022 ¹¹¹	1	Representative of a single large facility or organization	Surgical
Schweiberger, 2020 ¹¹²	15	Large/Regionally representative	Primary care (wide, full-range care)
Seghezzo, 2021 ¹¹³	NR	NR	NR
Sevilis, 2022 ¹¹⁴	171	Nationally representative	Stroke care
Shabto, 2020 ¹¹⁵	1	NR	Virtual COVID-19 outpatient clinic
Sharma, 2020 ¹¹⁶	1	NR	Pediatric ENT
Sharma, 2020 ¹¹⁷	NR	NR	NR
Smith, 2021 ¹¹⁸	5	Large/Regionally representative	Virtual urgent care
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	NR	NR	NR
Tarn, 2021 ¹²⁰	NR	NR	NR
Taxonera, 2020 ¹²¹	1	NR	Irritable Bowel Disease unit
Tchang, 2022 ¹²²	1	Limited study of less than above	Wellness/Health education
Uppal, 2022 ¹²³	1	Representative of a single large facility or organization	Surgical

Author, Year	N Providers	Healthcare System	Specialty/Clinical Focus
Wabe, 2022 ¹²⁴	5	Large/Regionally representative	Primary care (wide, full-range care)
Watson, 2021 ¹²⁵	1	Representative of a single large facility or organization	Cancer care
Winkleman, 2020 ¹²⁶		NR	NR
Wu, 2021 ¹²⁷	NR	NR	Hospital
Ye, 2022 ¹²⁸	1	Representative of a single large facility or organization	Primary care (wide, full-range care)
Ye, 2022 ¹²⁹	1	Representative of a single large facility or organization	Surgical
Zayde, 2021 ¹³⁰	1	Limited study of less than above	Mental health
Zhang, 2021 ¹³¹	NR	NR	Orthopedic surgery department
Zhao, 2021 ¹³²	1	Representative of a single large facility or organization	Multidisciplinary clinic in hospital
Zhu, 2021 ¹³³	1	Representative of a single large facility or organization	Rheumatology
Zimmerman, 2021 ¹³⁴	1	Representative of a single large facility or organization	Hospital

N=sample size; NR=not reported

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysi s	Participants With Outcomes, n(%)	Within Arm Compariso n	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Hatef, 2022 ⁴	1c	Arm 1	First encounter in- person	Acute ambulatory care, ED followup	full group	14 days	493716	NR (NR)	NR	Ref	Adjusted for the type of acute and chronic ambulatory care sensitive conditions treated during the episode.
Hatef, 2022 ⁴	1c	Arm 2	First encounter telemedicine	Acute ambulatory care, ED followup	full group	14 days	113857	NR (NR)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 1.11 (95% CI: 1.06 to 1.16), p=NR	Adjusted for the type of acute and chronic ambulatory care sensitive conditions treated during the episode.
Hatef, 2022 ⁴	1c	Arm 1	First encounter in- person	Chronic ambulatory care, ED followup	full group	14 days	410743	NR (NR)	NR	Ref	Adjusted for the type of acute and chronic ambulatory care sensitive conditions treated during the episode.

Table D.5.1. Healthcare utilization (emergency department visits) results of studies comparing in-person versus telehealth interventions (Key Question 2)

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysi s	Participants With Outcomes, n(%)	Within Arm Compariso n	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Hatef, 2022 ⁴	1c	Arm 2	First encounter telemedicine	Chronic ambulatory care, ED followup	full group	14 days	94481	NR (NR)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 0.96 (95% CI: 0.92 to 1.01), p=NR	Adjusted for the type of acute and chronic ambulatory care sensitive conditions treated during the episode.
Phillips, 2021 ⁹⁶	1c	Arm 1	Individuals presenting to initial in- person visit at respiratory assessment center	ED Visit	full group	14 Days	741	Events: 29 (3.9)	NR	Ref	No
Phillips, 2021 ⁹⁶	10	Arm 2	Individuals presenting to initial telehealth visit at respiratory assessment center	ED Visit	full group	14 Days	564	Events: 28 (5)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Chi Squared: NR, p=0.357	No
Phillips, 2021 ⁹⁶	1c	Arm 2	Individuals presenting to initial telehealth visit at respiratory assessment center	ED Visit	Age	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 1 (95% CI: 0.99 to 1.02), p=NR	initial type of visit, age, gender and the number of comorbidities

Author, Year	Category		Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysi s	Participants With Outcomes, n(%)	Within Arm Compariso n	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Phillips, 2021 ⁹⁶	1c	Arm 2	Individuals presenting to initial telehealth visit at respiratory assessment center	ED Visit	Age	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 1.04 (95% CI: 1.01 to 1.06), p=NR	initial type of visit, age, gender and the number of comorbidities
Phillips, 2021 ⁹⁶	1c	Arm 2	Individuals presenting to initial telehealth visit at respiratory assessment center	ED Visit	Gend er	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 0.61 (95% CI: 0.33 to 1.13), p=NR	initial type of visit, age, gender and the number of comorbidities
Phillips, 2021 ⁹⁶	1c	Arm 2	Individuals presenting to initial telehealth visit at respiratory assessment center	ED Visit	Como rbiditi es	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 1.09 (95% CI: 0.89 to 1.33), p=NR	initial type of visit, age, gender and the number of comorbidities
Phillips, 2021 ⁹⁶	1c	Arm 2	Individuals presenting to initial telehealth visit at respiratory assessment center	ED Visit	Initial Visit Type	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 1.24 (95% CI: 0.73 to 2.11), p=NR	initial type of visit, age, gender and the number of comorbidities

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysi s	Participants With Outcomes, n(%)	Within Arm Compariso n	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Borgen, 2021 ²⁴	2a	Arm 1	Individuals with new COVID-19 not receiving telehealth care manaagemen t discharged from the hospital	Hospital re- encounters (ED or Observation Unit)	full group	30 days	593	167 (28.2)	NR	Ref	No
Borgen, 2021 ²⁴	2a	Arm 2	Individuals with new COVID-19 receiving telehealth care management	Hospital re- encounters (ED or Observation Unit)	full group	30 days	192	24 (12.5)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Chi- squared test of independ ence: 19.3, p≤0.001	No
Casariego- Vales, 2021 ³¹	2a	Arm 2	TELEA Telehealth Monitoring	ED Follow-up within study period	Group B (High er Risk, Unabl e to use App)	68 days	484	Events: 176 (36.4)	NR	REF	Νο
Casariego- Vales, 2021 ³¹	2a	Arm 2	TELEA Telehealth Monitoring	ED Follow-up within study period	Group C (Lowe r Risk, Sympt omati c)	68 days	198	Events: 31 (15.6)	NR	Ref: Group B Assumed Chi- Squared: NR, p≤.0001	No

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysi s	Participants With Outcomes, n(%)	Within Arm Compariso n	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Casariego- Vales, 2021 ³¹	2a	Arm 2	TELEA Telehealth Monitoring	ED Follow-up within study period	Group D (Lowe r Risk, Asym ptoma tic)	68 days	263	Events: 16 (6.1)	NR	Ref: Group B Assumed Chi- Squared: NR, p≤.0001	No
Casariego- Vales, 2021 ³¹	2a	Arm 1	Primary Care Monitoring	ED Follow-up within study period	full group	68 days	3197	Events: 227 (7.1)	NR	REF	No
Casariego- Vales, 2021 ³¹	2a	Arm 2	TELEA Telehealth Monitoring	ED Follow-up within study period	full group	68 days	1187	Events: 307 (25.9)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Assumed t- test/man whitney: NR, p≤.0001	No
Korycinski, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 1	Control	ED visit	full group	30 days	154	24 (15.6)	NR	Ref	No
Korycinski, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 2	Telephone based intervention	ED visit	full group	30 days	139	13 (10.1)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.117	No
Korycinski, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 1	Control	Age <30, ED visit	Age	30 days	NR	4 (16)	NR	Ref	No
Korycinski, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 2	Telephone based intervention	Age <30, ED visit	Age	30 days	NR	0 (0)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.04	No
Korycinski, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 1	Control	Age 30-39, ED visit	Age	30 days	NR	0 (0)	NR	Ref	No
Korycinski, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 2	Telephone based intervention	Age 30-39, ED visit	Age	30 days	NR	2 (6.5)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.514	No

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysi s	Participants With Outcomes, n(%)	Within Arm Compariso n	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Korycinski, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 1	Control	Age 40-49, ED visit	Age	30 days	NR	9 (20.5)	NR	Ref	No
Korycinski, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 2	Telephone based intervention	Age 40-49, ED visit	Age	30 days	NR	4 (12.1)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.376	No
Korycinski, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 1	Control	Age 50-59, ED visit	Age	30 days	NR	3 (9.1)	NR	Ref	No
Korycinski, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 2	Telephone based intervention	Age 50-59, ED visit	Age	30 days	NR	2 (14.3)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.627	No
Korycinski, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 1	Control	Age 60-69, ED visit	Age	30 days	NR	6 (23.1)	NR	Ref	No
Korycinski, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 2	Telephone based intervention	Age 60-69, ED visit	Age	30 days	NR	1 (5.3)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.211	No
Korycinski, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 1	Control	Age 70-79, ED visit	Age	30 days	NR	2 (40)	NR	Ref	No
Korycinski, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 2	Telephone based intervention	Age 70-79, ED visit	Age	30 days	NR	1 (25)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=1	No
Korycinski, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 1	Control	Age >80, ED visit	Age	30 days	NR	0 (0)	NR	Ref	No
Korycinski, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 2	Telephone based intervention	Age >80, ED visit	Age	30 days	NR	3 (33.3)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=1	No
Korycinski, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 1	Control	White, ED visit	Race	30 days	128	21 (16.4)	NR	Ref	No
Korycinski, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 2	Telephone based intervention	White, ED visit	Race	30 days	105	12 (11.4)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.346	No

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysi s	Participants With Outcomes, n(%)	Within Arm Compariso n	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Korycinski, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 1	Control	Black, ED visit	Race	30 days	17	1 (5.9)	NR	Ref	No
Korycinski, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 2	Telephone based intervention	Black, ED visit	Race	30 days	21	1 (4.8)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=1	No
Korycinski, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 1	Control	Other, ED visit	Race	30 days	9	0 (0)	NR	Ref	No
Korycinski, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 2	Telephone based intervention	Other, ED visit	Race	30 days	13	0 (0)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=NA	No
Korycinski, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 1	Control	Hispanic, ED visit	Race	30 days	2	0 (0)	NR	Ref	No
Korycinski, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 2	Telephone based intervention	Hispanic, ED visit	Race	30 days	5	0 (0)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=NA	No
Korycinski, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 1	Control	Non-Hispanic, ED visit	Race	30 days	144	24 (15.6)	NR	Ref	No
Korycinski, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 2	Telephone based intervention	Non-Hispanic, ED visit	Race	30 days	128	13 (9.5)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.276	No
Korycinski, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 1	Control	Sex: Male, ED visit	Gend er	30 days	71	11 (15.5)	NR	Ref	No
Korycinski, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 2	Telephone based intervention	Sex: Male, ED visit	Gend er	30 days	59	3 (5.1)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.086	No
Korycinski, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 1	Control	Sex: Female, ED visit	Gend er	30 days	83	13 (15.7)	NR	Ref	No

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysi s	Participants With Outcomes, n(%)	Within Arm Compariso n	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Korycinski, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 2	Telephone based intervention	Sex: Female, ED visit	Gend er	30 days	82	10 (12.5)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.655	No
Korycinski, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 1	Control	Smoking, ED visit	Como rbidity	30 days	NR	1 (8.3)	NR	Ref	No
Korycinski, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 2	Telephone based intervention	Smoking, ED visit	Como rbidity	30 days	NR	0 (0)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.48	No
Korycinski, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 1	Control	Non-smoking, ED visit	Como rbidity	30 days	NR	22 (17.5)	NR	Ref	No
Korycinski, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 2	Telephone based intervention	Non-smoking, ED visit	Como rbidity	30 days	NR	13 (12)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.274	No
Korycinski, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 1	Control	Underweight, ED visit	Como rbidity	30 days	NR	0 (0)	NR	Ref	No
Korycinski, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 2	Telephone based intervention	Underweight, ED visit	Como rbidity	30 days	NR	0 (0)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=NA	No
Korycinski, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 1	Control	Normal weight, ED visit	Como rbidity	30 days	NR	3 (10)	NR	Ref	No
Korycinski, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 2	Telephone based intervention	Normal weight, ED visit	Como rbidity	30 days	NR	4 (19)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.427	No
Korycinski, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 1	Control	Overweight, ED visit	Como rbidity	30 days	NR	7 (25.9)	NR	Ref	No

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysi s	Participants With Outcomes, n(%)	Within Arm Compariso n	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Korycinski, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 2	Telephone based intervention	Overweight, ED visit	Como rbidity	30 days	NR	4 (10)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.103	No
Korycinski, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 1	Control	Obese, ED visit	Como rbidity	30 days	NR	14 (16.7)	NR	Ref	No
Korycinski, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 2	Telephone based intervention	Obese, ED visit	Como rbidity	30 days	NR	5 (7.9)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.141	No
Kerestes, 2021 ⁶⁵	2b	Arm 1	In person	Complication: ER Visit	full group	252 days	94	2 (2.1)	NR	NR	No
Kerestes, 2021 ⁶⁵	2b	Arm 2	Telemedicine + med pick up	Complication: ER Visit	full group	253 days	124	5 (4)	NR	NR	No
Kerestes, 2021 ⁶⁵	2b	Arm 2	Telemedicine + Mailed Medicine	Complication: ER Visit	full group	254 days	69	4 (5.8)	NR	NR	No
Afonso Noguueria, 2021 ¹³	2c	Arm 1	Individuals with Heart Failure attending outpatient cardiology appointments	ED Visits for Heart Failure	full group	497 days	160	214 (NR)	NR	Ref	No
Afonso Noguueria, 2021 ¹³	2c	Arm 2	Individuals with Heart Failure attending outpatient cardiology appointments (Pre-COVID)	ED Visits for Heart Failure	full group	70 days	43	52 (NR)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Chi Squared: NR, p=0.27	No

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysi s	Participants With Outcomes, n(%)	Within Arm Compariso n	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Cvietusa, 2022 ³⁹	2c	Arm 1	No asthma care	ED/urgent care visit	full group	NR	Baseline : NR Followu p: 2977	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0 (SE 0)	NR	Ref	Age, sex, race, baseline value of outcome, person-year, overdispersi on
Cvietusa, 2022 ³⁹	2c	Arm 2	In-person only	ED/urgent care visit	full group	NR	Baseline : NR Followu p: 1792	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.048 (SE 0.012)	NR	Ref: Assumin g Arm1 p-value only: p=<0.001	Age, sex, race, baseline value of outcome, person-year, overdispersi on
Cvietusa, 2022 ³⁹	2c	Arm 3	Mixed (in- person and virtual)	ED/urgent care visit	full group	NR	Baseline : NR Followu p: 1084	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.137 (SE 0.033)	NR	Ref: Assumin g Arm1 p-value only: p=<0.001	Age, sex, race, baseline value of outcome, person-year, overdispersi on
Cvietusa, 2022 ³⁹	2c	Arm 4	Virtual care only	ED/urgent care visit	full group	NR	Baseline : NR Followu p: 1952	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0 (SE 0)	NR	Ref: Assumin g Arm1 p-value only: p=<0.001	Age, sex, race, baseline value of outcome, person-year, overdispersi on
Gaetani, 2021 ⁵⁰	2c	Arm 1	Pre-COVID: Individuals with Hereditary Hemorrhagic Telangectasia	Emergency Room Visit or Hospitalization	full group	244 Days	45	11 (24.4)	NR	REF	No

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysi s	Participants With Outcomes, n(%)	Within Arm Compariso n	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Gaetani, 2021 ⁵⁰	2c	Arm 2	Post-COVID: Individuals with Hereditary Hemorrhagic Telangectasia (receiving telehealth)	Emergency Room Visit or Hospitalization	full group	244 Days	45	9 (20)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 % change from baseline: -0.044, p=not significan t	No
Reddy, 2021 ¹⁰¹	2c	Arm 1	Before virtual care (in- person)	Emergency center visit	full group	4 weeks before transition	763	24 (3.1)	NR	Ref	No
Reddy, 2021 ¹⁰¹	2c	Arm 2	Transition to virtual care	Emergency center visit	full group	1 week during transition	168	2 (1.2)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.0031	No
Reddy, 2021 ¹⁰¹	2c	Arm 3	After transition to virtual care	Emergency center visit	full group	4 weeks after transition	813	7 (0.9)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.0031	No
Watson, 2021 ¹²⁵	2c	Arm 1	Pre- telephone clinic (face to face)	Presentations (excluding hospitalization) within 24- hours	full group	24 hours	814	3 (0.37)	NR	Ref	No
Watson, 2021 ¹²⁵	2c	Arm 2	Post- introduction (telephone)	Presentations (excluding hospitalization) within 24- hours	full group	24 hours	910	4 (0.44)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=1	No
Watson, 2021 ¹²⁵	2c	Arm 1	Pre- telephone clinic (face to face)	Presentations (excluding hospitalization) within 7 days	full group	7 days	814	3 (0.37)	NR	Ref	No

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysi s	Participants With Outcomes, n(%)	Within Arm Compariso n	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Watson, 2021 ¹²⁵	2c	Arm 2	Post- introduction (telephone)	Presentations (excluding hospitalization) within 7 days	full group	7 days	910	7 (0.77)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.343	No
Irarrazaval, 2021 ⁶⁰	3	Arm 1	In-person	Emergency department visit	full group	NR	113	7 (6.2)	NR	NR	No
Irarrazaval, 2021 ⁶⁰	3	Arm 2	Telemedicine	Emergency department visit	full group	NR	106	2 (1.9)	NR	NR	No

1a=general medical care, adults; 1b=general medical care, children; 1c=general medical care, all ages; 2a=specialized care, COVID-19; 2b=specialized care, pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological; 2c=specialized care, other; 3=surgical care; 4=general behavioural; 5=physical rehabilitation; CI=confidence interval; ED=emergency department; N=sample size; NR=not reported; OR=odds ratio; p=p-value; Ref=reference

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Compariso n	Adjusted
Schweiberger, 2020 ¹¹²	1b	Arm 1	Outpatient practices with low telemedicine use	Emergency Department visits per 1000 patients per week	full group	22 days	NR	Events: 1 (NR)	NR	Ref: Arm 2, Arm 3 Kruskal- Wallis Test: NR, p=0.02	No
Schweiberger, 2021 ¹³⁵	1b	Arm 2	Outpatient practices with intermediate telemedicine use	Emergency Department visits per 1000 patients per week	full group	23 days	NR	Events: 2 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Schweiberger, 2022 ¹³⁶	1b	Arm 3	Outpatient practices with high telemedicine use	Emergency Department visits per 1000 patients per week	full group	24 days	NR	Events: 2 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Smith, 2021 ¹¹⁸	1a	Full group	Full group	ED visit within 72 hours	full group	3 days	18278	Events: 405 (1.8)	NR	NR	No
Smith, 2021 ¹¹⁸	1a	Full group	Full group	Return virtual urgent care visit in 72 hours	full group	3 days	18278	Events: 1521 (6.8)	NR	NR	No
Smith, 2021 ¹¹⁸	1a	Full group	Full group	ED visit within 72 hours	age 18-29	6 days	18278	Events: 59 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Smith, 2021 ¹¹⁸	1a	Full group	Full group	ED visit within 72 hours	age 30-39	7 days	18278	Events: 105 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Smith, 2021 ¹¹⁸	1a	Full group	Full group	ED visit within 72 hours	age 40-49	8 days	18278	Events: 79 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Smith, 2021 ¹¹⁸	1a	Full group	Full group	ED visit within 72 hours	age 50-59	9 days	18278	Events: 65 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Smith, 2021 ¹¹⁸	1a	Full group	Full group	ED visit within 72 hours	age 60-69	10 days	18278	Events: 56 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Smith, 2021 ¹¹⁸	1a	Full group	Full group	Return virtual urgent care visit in 72 hours	age 18-29	3 days	18278	Events: 284 (NR)	NR	NR	No

TableD.5.2. Healthcare utilization (emergency department visits) results of non-comparison studies (Key Question 2)

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Compariso n	Adjusted
Smith, 2021 ¹¹⁸	1a	Full group	Full group	Return virtual urgent care visit in 72 hours	age 30-39	3 days	18278	Events: 495 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Smith, 2021 ¹¹⁸	1a	Full group	Full group	Return virtual urgent care visit in 72 hours	age 40-49	3 days	18278	Events: 347 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Smith, 2021 ¹¹⁸	1a	Full group	Full group	Return virtual urgent care visit in 72 hours	age 50-59	4 days	18278	Events: 235 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Smith, 2021 ¹¹⁸	1a	Full group	Full group	Return virtual urgent care visit in 72 hours	age 60-69	5 days	18278	Events: 15 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Akama- Garren, 2021 ¹⁵	2a	Arm 1	Patients triaged by Medical students at a respiratory clinic - Cleared	Emergency Room Encounter	full group	214 Days	693	41 (6)	NR	NR	No
Akama- Garren, 2021 ¹⁵	2a	Arm 2	Patients triaged by Medical students at a respiratory clinic - Referred to Clinic (RIC)	Emergency Room Encounter	full group	214 Days	107	12 (11)	NR	NR	No
Akama- Garren, 2021 ¹⁵	2a	Arm 3	Patients triaged by Medical students at a respiratory clinic - Advised to isolate	Emergency Room Encounter	full group	214 Days	478	25 (5)	NR	NR	No

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Compariso n	Adjusted
Akama- Garren, 2021 ¹⁵	2a	Arm 4	Patients triaged by Medical students at a respiratory clinic - Referred to ED	Emergency Room Encounter	full group	214 Days	8	0 (0)	NR	NR	No
Compton, 2020 ³⁵	2c	Full group	Full group	Referred to Emergency Department	seen by multidi sciplin ary telehea Ith team	38 days	38	1 (NR)	NR	NR	NR
Compton, 2020 ³⁵	2c	Full group	Full group	Referred to Emergency Department	seen by multidi sciplin ary telehea Ith team	38 days	38	1 (NR)	NR	NR	NR
Margolius, 2021 ⁸²	2a	Full group	Full group	ED Visit	full group	48 days	10208	287 (0.07)	NR	NR	No
Margolius, 2021 ⁸²	2a	Full group	Full group	ED Visit	Age	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Age (per 10 years) Odds ratio: 1.14 (95% Cl: 0.95 to 1.37), p=0.15	Age, Sex, Race, Insurance Type, COVID-19 disposition, Smoking Status

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Compariso n	Adjusted
Margolius, 2021 ⁸²	2a	Full group	Full group	ED Visit	Male	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Female Odds ratio: 1.29 (95% Cl: 0.72 to 2.22), p=0.42	Age, Sex, Race, Insurance Type, COVID-19 disposition, Smoking Status
Margolius, 2021 ⁸²	2a	Full group	Full group	ED Visit	NH White	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref	Age, Sex, Race, Insurance Type, COVID-19 disposition, Smoking Status
Margolius, 2021 ⁸²	2a	Full group	Full group	ED Visit	NH Black	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: NH White Odds ratio: 1.03 (95% CI: 0.56 to 1.87), p=0.93	Age, Sex, Race, Insurance Type, COVID-19 disposition, Smoking Status
Margolius, 2021 ⁸²	2a	Full group	Full group	ED Visit	Hispan ic	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: NH White Odds ratio: 1.57 (95% CI: 0.59 to 4.19), p=0.36	Age, Sex, Race, Insurance Type, COVID-19 disposition, Smoking Status
Margolius, 2021 ⁸²	2a	Full group	Full group	ED Visit	Other Race	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: NH White Odds ratio: 0.93 (95% Cl: 0.28 to 3.14), p=0.9	Age, Sex, Race, Insurance Type, COVID-19 disposition, Smoking Status

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Compariso n	Adjusted
Rowe, 2021 ¹⁰⁷	2c	Arm 1	Telephone Cardiology Outpatient Visits	ED Follow-up for Cardiac Reason	full group	148 Days	118	25 (21.2)	NR	REF	NR
Rowe, 2021 ¹⁰⁷	2c	Arm 2	Video Cardiology Outpatient Visits	ED Follow-up for Cardiac Reason	full group	148 Days	18	3 (16.7)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Measure of association not mentioned (used, assumed relative risk): NR, p=0.511	Age, Gender, English as First Language, Rural Status, initial appointment status, cardiologist seen
Rowe, 2021 ¹⁰⁷	2c	Arm 1	Telephone Cardiology Outpatient Visits	ED Follow-up within study period	full group	148 Days	1118	118 (9.9)	NR	REF	NR
Rowe, 2021 ¹⁰⁷	2c	Arm 2	Video Cardiology Outpatient Visits	ED Follow-up within study period	full group	148 Days	327	18 (5.5)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Measure of association not mentioned (used, assumed relative risk): NR, p=0.165	Age, Gender, English as First Language, Rural Status, initial appointment status, cardiologist seen
Taxonera, 2020 ¹²¹	2c	Full group	Full group	Emergency Departement visit for possible IBD complication	full group	28 Days	216	Events: 5 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Zhang, 2021 ¹³¹	3	Full group	Full group	Unplanned visit to ED	full group	6 weeks	298	3 (1)	NR	NR	No

1a=general medical care, adults; 1b=general medical care, children; 1c=general medical care, all ages; 2a=specialized care, COVID-19; 2b=specialized care, pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological; 2c=specialized care, other; 3=surgical care; 4=general behavioural; 5=physical rehabilitation; CI=confidence interval; ED=emergency department; N=sample size; NR=not reported; OR=odds ratio; p=p-value; Ref=reference

Author, Category Arm Arm Outcome Subgroup Time N at Participants Within Between Adjusted Year Definition Definition Point of Analysis With Arm Com-Arm Analysis Outcomes. n Comparison (%) parison Rysinka, 1a Full group Full group ACSC In-person NR 6792 NR NR Ref age, sex, 2021¹⁰⁹ Hospitalizati telemedici race, on ethnicity, ne and the weighted CCÌ ACSC Virtual NR 10311 NR NR Ref: In-Rysinka, 1a Full group Full group age, sex, 2021¹⁰⁹ Hospitalizati Person Visit telemedici race, Odds ratio: ethnicity, on ne 0.78 (95% and the CI: 0.61 to weighted CCI 1), p=0.049 NR 6792 NR Rysinka, 1a NR Ref Full group Full group Any In-person age, sex, 2021¹⁰⁹ Hospitalizati telemedici race, on ethnicity, ne and the weighted CCI NR 10311 NR NR Ref: In-Rysinka, 1a Full group Full group Any Virtual age, sex, 2021¹⁰⁹ Person Visit Hospitalizati telemedici race, Odds ratio: ethnicity, on ne 0.72 (95% and the CI: 0.57 to weighted 0.9), CCI p=0.004 ACSC Age 65-74 NR NR NR NR Ref Rysinka, 1a Full group Full group age, sex, 2021109 Hospitalizati race. ethnicity, on and the weighted CCI ACSC NR Age 75-84 NR NR NR Rysinka, 1a Full group Full group Ref: Age age, sex, 2021¹⁰⁹ Hospitalizati 65-74 race, on Odds ratio: ethnicity, 1.01 (95% and the CI: 0.77 to weighted 1.32), CCI p=0.96

Table D.5.3. Healthcare utilization (hospitalization) results of studies comparing in-person versus telehealth interventions (Key Question 2)

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Rysinka, 2021 ¹⁰⁹	1a	Full group	Full group	ACSC Hospitalizati on	Age ≥85	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Age 65-74 Odds ratio: 1.37 (95% Cl: 0.98 to 1.93), p=0.07	age, sex, race, ethnicity, and the weighted CCI
Rysinka, 2021 ¹⁰⁹	1a	Full group	Full group	Any Hospitalizati on	Age 65-74	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref	age, sex, race, ethnicity, and the weighted CCI
Rysinka, 2021 ¹⁰⁹	1a	Full group	Full group	Any Hospitalizati on	Age 75-84	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Age 65-74 Odds ratio: 1.02 (95% Cl: 0.79 to 1.3), p=0.9	age, sex, race, ethnicity, and the weighted CCI
Rysinka, 2021 ¹⁰⁹	1a	Full group	Full group	Any Hospitalizati on	Age ≥85	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Age 65-74 Odds ratio: 1.26 (95% Cl: 0.91 to 1.73), p=0.17	age, sex, race, ethnicity, and the weighted CCI
Rysinka, 2021 ¹⁰⁹	1a	Full group	Full group	ACSC Hospitalizati on	Non- Hispanic	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref	age, sex, race, ethnicity, and the weighted CCI
Rysinka, 2021 ¹⁰⁹	1a	Full group	Full group	ACSC Hospitalizati on	Hispanic	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Non- hispanic Odds ratio: 1.53 (95% Cl: 0.73 to 3.21), p=0.27	age, sex, race, ethnicity, and the weighted CCI

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Rysinka, 2021 ¹⁰⁹	1a	Full group	Full group	ACSC Hospitalizati on	Unknown Ethnicity	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Non- hispanic Odds ratio: 0.48 (95% Cl: 0.06 to 3.81), p=0.49	age, sex, race, ethnicity, and the weighted CCI
Rysinka, 2021 ¹⁰⁹	1a	Full group	Full group	ACSC Hospitalizati on	White Race	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref	age, sex, race, ethnicity, and the weighted CCI
Rysinka, 2021 ¹⁰⁹	1a	Full group	Full group	ACSC Hospitalizati on	Black Race	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: White Race Odds ratio: 1.18 (95% Cl: 0.91 to 1.54), p=0.21	age, sex, race, ethnicity, and the weighted CCI
Rysinka, 2021 ¹⁰⁹	1a	Full group	Full group	ACSC Hospitalizati on	Asian Race	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: White Race Odds ratio: 1.28 (95% Cl: 0.55 to 2.97), p=0.57	age, sex, race, ethnicity, and the weighted CCI
Rysinka, 2021 ¹⁰⁹	1a	Full group	Full group	ACSC Hospitalizati on	Other Race	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: White Race Odds ratio: 1.23 (95% Cl: 0.68 to 2.21), p=0.5	age, sex, race, ethnicity, and the weighted CCI
Rysinka, 2021 ¹⁰⁹	1a	Full group	Full group	Any Hospitalizati on	Non- Hispanic	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref	age, sex, race, ethnicity, and the weighted CCI

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Rysinka, 2021 ¹⁰⁹	1a	Full group	Full group	Any Hospitalizati on	Hispanic	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Non- hispanic Odds ratio: 1.79 (95% Cl: 0.94 to 3.41), p=0.08	age, sex, race, ethnicity, and the weighted CCI
Rysinka, 2021 ¹⁰⁹	1a	Full group	Full group	Any Hospitalizati on	Unknown Ethnicity	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Non- hispanic Odds ratio: 0.42 (95% Cl: 0.05 to 3.32), p=0.41	age, sex, race, ethnicity, and the weighted CCI
Rysinka, 2021 ¹⁰⁹	1a	Full group	Full group	Any Hospitalizati on	White Race	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref	age, sex, race, ethnicity, and the weighted CCI
Rysinka, 2021 ¹⁰⁹	1a	Full group	Full group	Any Hospitalizati on	Black Race	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: White Race Odds ratio: 1.01 (95% Cl: 0.79 to 1.29), p=0.96	age, sex, race, ethnicity, and the weighted CCI
Rysinka, 2021 ¹⁰⁹	1a	Full group	Full group	Any Hospitalizati on	Asian Race	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: White Race Odds ratio: 0.97 (95% Cl: 0.42 to 2.25), p=0.95	age, sex, race, ethnicity, and the weighted CCI

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Rysinka, 2021 ¹⁰⁹	1a	Full group	Full group	Any Hospitalizati on	Other Race	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: White Race Odds ratio: 1.1 (95% Cl: 0.64 to 1.91), p=0.73	age, sex, race, ethnicity, and the weighted CCI
Rysinka, 2021 ¹⁰⁹	1a	Full group	Full group	ACSC Hospitalizati on	Male	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref	age, sex, race, ethnicity, and the weighted CCI
Rysinka, 2021 ¹⁰⁹	1a	Full group	Full group	ACSC Hospitalizati on	Female	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Male Odds ratio: 0.88 (95% Cl: 0.69 to 1.13), p=0.31	age, sex, race, ethnicity, and the weighted CCI
Rysinka, 2021 ¹⁰⁹	1a	Full group	Full group	Any Hospitalizati on	Male	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref	age, sex, race, ethnicity, and the weighted CCI
Rysinka, 2021 ¹⁰⁹	1a	Full group	Full group	Any Hospitalizati on	Female	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Male Odds ratio: 0.96 (95% Cl: 0.76 to 1.21), p=0.73	age, sex, race, ethnicity, and the weighted CCI
Rysinka, 2021 ¹⁰⁹	1a	Full group	Full group	ACSC Hospitalizati on	Charlson Comorbidit y Index	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: NR Odds ratio: 1.75 (95% Cl: 1.68 to 1.82), p≤.001	age, sex, race, ethnicity, and the weighted CCI

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Rysinka, 2021 ¹⁰⁹	1a	Full group	Full group	Any Hospitalizati on	Charlson Comorbidit y Index	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	age, sex, race, ethnicity, and the weighted CCI
Zimmer man, 2021 ¹³⁴	1a	Arm 1	In-person	Transfer to in-patient care	full group	NR	207	7.038 (3.4)	NR	Ref	No
Zimmer man, 2021 ¹³⁴	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Transfer to in-patient care	full group	NR	207	2.898 (1.4)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p=NS	No
Hatef, 2022 ⁴	1c	Arm 1	First encounter in-person	Acute ambulatory care, Hospitalizati on followup	full group	14 days	493716	NR (NR)	NR	Ref	Adjusted for the type of acute and chronic ambulatory care sensitive conditions treated during the episode.
Hatef, 2022 ⁴	1c	Arm 2	First encounter telemedici ne	Acute ambulatory care, Hospitalizati on followup	full group	14 days	113857	NR (NR)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 1.03 (95% Cl: 0.98 to 1.08), p=NR	Adjusted for the type of acute and chronic ambulatory care sensitive conditions treated during the episode.

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Hatef, 2022 ⁴	1c	Arm 1	First encounter in-person	Chronic ambulatory care, Hospitalizati on followup	full group	14 days	410743	NR (NR)	NR	Ref	Adjusted for the type of acute and chronic ambulatory care sensitive conditions treated during the episode.
Hatef, 2022 ⁴	1c	Arm 2	First encounter telemedici ne	Chronic ambulatory care, Hospitalizati on followup	full group	14 days	94481	NR (NR)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 0.94 (95% Cl: 0.9 to 0.99), p=NR	Adjusted for the type of acute and chronic ambulatory care sensitive conditions treated during the episode.
Phillips, 2021 ⁹⁶	1c	Arm 2	Individuals presenting to initial telehealth visit at respiratory assessme nt center	Hospital admission	Age	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 1.04 (95% CI: 1.01 to 1.06), p=NR	initial type of visit, age, gender and the number of comorbiditi es
Phillips, 2021 ⁹⁶	1c	Arm 2	Individuals presenting to initial telehealth visit at respiratory assessme nt center	Hospital admission	Comorbidit ies	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 1.09 (95% Cl: 0.85 to 1.38), p=NR	initial type of visit, age, gender and the number of comorbiditi es

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Phillips, 2021 ⁹⁶	1c	Arm 2	Individuals presenting to initial telehealth visit at respiratory assessme nt center	Hospital admission	Gender	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 0.65 (95% Cl: 0.29 to 1.46), p=NR	initial type of visit, age, gender and the number of comorbiditi es
Phillips, 2021 ⁹⁶	1c	Arm 1	Individuals presenting to initial in- person visit at respiratory assessme nt center	Hospital admission	full group	14 Days	741	Events: 21 (2.8)	NR	Ref	No
Phillips, 2021 ⁹⁶	1c	Arm 2	Individuals presenting to initial telehealth visit at respiratory assessme nt center	Hospital admission	full group	14 Days	564	Events: 11 (2)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Chi Squared: NR, p=0.307	No
Phillips, 2021 ⁹⁶	1c	Arm 2	Individuals presenting to initial telehealth visit at respiratory assessme nt center	Hospital admission	Initial Visit Type	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 0.64 (95% Cl: 0.31 to 1.35), p=NR	initial type of visit, age, gender and the number of comorbiditi es
Casarie go- Vales, 2021 ³¹	2a	Arm 2	TELEA Telehealth Monitoring	ED Follow- up within study period	Group A (Higher Risk, Able to use App)	68 days	242	Events: 84 (34.7)	NR	REF	No

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Casarie go- Vales, 2021 ³¹	2a	Arm 2	TELEA Telehealth Monitoring	ED Follow- up within study period	Group C (Lower Risk, Symptoma tic)	68 days	198	Events: 31 (15.6)	NR	Ref: Group A Assumed Chi- Squared: NR, p≤.0001	No
Casarie go- Vales, 2021 ³¹	2a	Arm 2	TELEA Telehealth Monitoring	ED Follow- up within study period	Group D (Lower Risk, Asymptom atic)	68 days	263	Events: 16 (6.1)	NR	Ref: Group A Assumed Chi- Squared: NR, p≤.0001	No
Casarie go- Vales, 2021 ³¹	2a	Arm 2	TELEA Telehealth Monitoring	Hospitalizati on	Group A (Higher Risk, Able to use App)	68 days	242	Events: 45 (18.6)	NR	REF	No
Casarie go- Vales, 2021 ³¹	2a	Arm 2	TELEA Telehealth Monitoring	Hospitalizati on	Group C (Lower Risk, Symptoma tic)	68 days	198	Events: 12 (6.1)	NR	Ref: Group A Assumed Chi- Squared: NR, p≤.0001	No
Casarie go- Vales, 2021 ³¹	2a	Arm 2	TELEA Telehealth Monitoring	Hospitalizati on	Group D (Lower Risk, Asymptom atic)	68 days	263	Events: 4 (1.5)	NR	Ref: Group A Assumed Chi- Squared: NR, p≤.0001	No
Casarie go- Vales, 2021 ³¹	2a	Arm 2	TELEA Telehealth Monitoring	Hospitalizati on	Group B (Higher Risk, Unable to use App)	68 days	484	Events: 123 (25.4)	NR	REF	No

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Casarie go- Vales, 2021 ³¹	2a	Arm 2	TELEA Telehealth Monitoring	Hospitalizati on	Group C (Lower Risk, Symptoma tic)	68 days	198	Events: 12 (6.1)	NR	Ref: Group B Assumed Chi- Squared: NR, p≤.0001	No
Casarie go- Vales, 2021 ³¹	2a	Arm 2	TELEA Telehealth Monitoring	Hospitalizati on	Group D (Lower Risk, Asymptom atic)	68 days	263	Events: 4 (1.5)	NR	Ref: Group B Assumed Chi- Squared: NR, p≤.0001	No
Casarie go- Vales, 2021 ³¹	2a	Arm 2	TELEA Telehealth Monitoring	Hospitalizati on after ED visit	Group A (Higher Risk, Able to use App)	68 days	242	Events: 45 (53.6)	NR	REF	No
Casarie go- Vales, 2021 ³¹	2a	Arm 2	TELEA Telehealth Monitoring	Hospitalizati on after ED visit	Group C (Lower Risk, Symptoma tic)	68 days	198	Events: 12 (38.7)	NR	NR	No
Casarie go- Vales, 2021 ³¹	2a	Arm 2	TELEA Telehealth Monitoring	Hospitalizati on after ED visit	Group B (Higher Risk, Unable to use App)	68 days	484	Events: 123 (69.9)	NR	REF	No
Casarie go- Vales, 2021 ³¹	2a	Arm 2	TELEA Telehealth Monitoring	Hospitalizati on after ED visit	Group D (Lower Risk, Asymptom atic)	68 days	263	Events: 4 (25)	NR	NR	No
Casarie go- Vales, 2021 ³¹	2a	Arm 1	Primary Care Monitoring	Hospitalizati on	full group	68 days	3197	Events: 65 (2)	NR	REF	No

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Casarie go- Vales, 2021 ³¹	2a	Arm 2	TELEA Telehealth Monitoring	Hospitalizati on	full group	68 days	1187	Events: 184 (NR)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Assumed t- test/man whitney: NR, p≤.0001	No
Casarie go- Vales, 2021 ³¹	2a	Arm 1	Primary Care Monitoring	Hospitalizati on after ED visit	full group	68 days	3197	Events: 65 (28.6)	NR	REF	No
Casarie go- Vales, 2021 ³¹	2a	Arm 2	TELEA Telehealth Monitoring	Hospitalizati on after ED visit	full group	68 days	1187	Events: 184 (NR)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Assumed t- test/man whitney: NR, p≤.0001	No
Korycins ki, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 1	Control	Hospital admission	full group	30 days	154	10 (6.5)	NR	Ref	No
Korycins ki, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 2	Telephone based interventio n	Hospital admission	full group	30 days	139	6 (4.3)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Hazard ratio: 0.578 (95% CI: 0.29 to 1.13), p=0.452	No
Korycins ki, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 1	Control	Age <30, Hospital admission	Age	30 days	NR	0 (0)	NR	Ref	No
Korycins ki, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 2	Telephone based interventio n	Age <30, Hospital admission	Age	30 days	NR	0 (0)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=NA	No
Korycins ki, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 1	Control	Age 30-39, Hospital admission	Age	30 days	NR	0 (0)	NR	Ref	No
Korycins ki, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 2	Telephone based interventio n	Age 30-39, Hospital admission	Age	30 days	NR	1 (3.2)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=1	No

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Korycins ki, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 1	Control	Age 40-49, Hospital admission	Age	30 days	NR	2 (4.5)	NR	Ref	No
Korycins ki, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 2	Telephone based interventio n	Age 40-49, Hospital admission	Age	30 days	NR	1 (3)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=1	No
Korycins ki, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 1	Control	Age 50-59, Hospital admission	Age	30 days	NR	1 (3)	NR	Ref	No
Korycins ki, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 2	Telephone based interventio n	Age 50-59, Hospital admission	Age	30 days	NR	1 (7.1)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.512	No
Korycins ki, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 1	Control	Age 60-69, Hospital admission	Age	30 days	NR	6 (23.1)	NR	Ref	No
Korycins ki, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 2	Telephone based interventio n	Age 60-69, Hospital admission	Age	30 days	NR	0 (0)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.032	No
Korycins ki, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 1	Control	Age 70-79, Hospital admission	Age	30 days	NR	1 (20)	NR	Ref	No
Korycins ki, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 2	Telephone based interventio n	Age 70-79, Hospital admission	Age	30 days	NR	1 (25)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=1	No
Korycins ki, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 1	Control	Age >80, Hospital admission	Age	30 days	NR	0 (0)	NR	Ref	No
Korycins ki, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 2	Telephone based interventio n	Age >80, Hospital admission	Age	30 days	NR	2 (22.2)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=1	No
Korycins ki, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 1	Control	White, Hospital admission	Race	30 days	128	8 (6.3)	NR	Ref	No

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Korycins ki, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 2	Telephone based interventio n	White, Hospital admission	Race	30 days	105	6 (5.7)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=1	No
Korycins ki, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 1	Control	Black, Hospital admission	Race	30 days	17	1 (5.9)	NR	Ref	No
Korycins ki, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 2	Telephone based interventio n	Black, Hospital admission	Race	30 days	21	0 (0)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.447	No
Korycins ki, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 1	Control	Other, Hospital admission	Race	30 days	9	0 (0)	NR	Ref	No
Korycins ki, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 2	Telephone based interventio n	Other, Hospital admission	Race	30 days	13	0 (0)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=NA	No
Korycins ki, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 1	Control	Hispanic, Hospital admission	Race	30 days	2	0 (0)	NR	Ref	No
Korycins ki, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 2	Telephone based interventio n	Hispanic, Hospital admission	Race	30 days	5	0 (0)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=NA	No
Korycins ki, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 1	Control	Non- Hispanic, Hospital admission	Race	30 days	144	0 (0)	NR	Ref	No
Korycins ki, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 2	Telephone based interventio n	Non- Hispanic, Hospital admission	Race	30 days	128	2 (9.5)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.607	No
Korycins ki, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 1	Control	Sex: Male, Hospital admission	Gender	30 days	71	5 (7)	NR	Ref	No
Korycins ki, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 2	Telephone based interventio n	Sex: Male, Hospital admission	Gender	30 days	59	1 (1.7)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.22	No

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Korycins ki, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 1	Control	Sex: Female, Hospital admission	Gender	30 days	83	5 (6)	NR	Ref	No
Korycins ki, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 2	Telephone based interventio n	Sex: Female, Hospital admission	Gender	30 days	82	5 (6.3)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=1	No
Korycins ki, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 1	Control	Smoking, Hospital admission	Comorbidit y	30 days	NR	0 (0)	NR	Ref	No
Korycins ki, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 2	Telephone based interventio n	Smoking, Hospital admission	Comorbidit y	30 days	NR	0 (0)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=NA	No
Korycins ki, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 1	Control	Non- smoking, Hospital admission	Comorbidit y	30 days	NR	10 (7.9)	NR	Ref	No
Korycins ki, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 2	Telephone based interventio n	Non- smoking, Hospital admission	Comorbidit y	30 days	NR	6 (5.6)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.606	No
Korycins ki, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 1	Control	Underweight , Hospital admission	Comorbidit y	30 days	NR	0 (0)	NR	Ref	No
Korycins ki, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 2	Telephone based interventio n	Underweight , Hospital admission	Comorbidit y	30 days	NR	0 (0)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=NA	No
Korycins ki, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 1	Control	Normal weight, Hospital admission	Comorbidit y	30 days	NR	0 (0)	NR	Ref	No
Korycins ki, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 2	Telephone based interventio n	Normal weight, Hospital admission	Comorbidit y	30 days	NR	2 (9.5)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.165	No

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Korycins ki, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 1	Control	Overweight, Hospital admission	Comorbidit y	30 days	NR	4 (14.8)	NR	Ref	No
Korycins ki, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 2	Telephone based interventio n	Overweight, Hospital admission	Comorbidit y	30 days	NR	2 (5)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.211	No
Korycins ki, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 1	Control	Obese, Hospital admission	Comorbidit y	30 days	NR	6 (7.1)	NR	Ref	No
Korycins ki, 2022 ⁷⁰	2a	Arm 2	Telephone based interventio n	Obese, Hospital admission	Comorbidit y	30 days	NR	2 (3.2)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.467	No
Arias, 2022 ¹⁹	2b	Arm 1	Pre- telehealth implement ation	Intensive care nursery		NR	780	102 (13.1)	NR	Ref	No
Arias, 2022 ¹⁹	2b	Arm 2	Post- telehealth implement ation	Intensive care nursery		NR	799	115 (14.4)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.45	No
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 1	Pregnant individuals who received in-person pre-natal care	Full Term NICU Admission	full group	183 Days	6559	98 (1.5)	NR	Ref	BMI at delivery, race
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Full Term NICU Admission	full group	183 Days	6048	94 (1.6)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Relative risk: 1.03 (95% CI: 0.78 to 1.36), p=0.78	BMI at delivery, race

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Full Term NICU Admission	0 audio prenatal visits	183 Days	1981	28 (1.4)	NR	Ref: Arm 2, Entire Subgroup Mantel- Haenszel Trend: NR, p=Ref	No
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Full Term NICU Admission	1 audio prenatal visits	183 Days	1612	28 (1.7)	NR	Ref: Arm 2, Entire Subgroup Mantel- Haenszel Trend: NR, p=Ref	No
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Full Term NICU Admission	2 audio prenatal visits	183 Days	1239	23 (1.9)	NR	Ref: Arm 2, Entire Subgroup Mantel- Haenszel Trend: NR, p=Ref	No
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Full Term NICU Admission	≥3 audio prenatal visits	183 Days	1216	15 (1.2)	NR	Ref: Arm 2, Entire Subgroup Mantel- Haenszel Trend: NR, p=0.87	No

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	NICU Admission	0 audio prenatal visits/Live- born infants without major malformati ons	183 Days	1960	123 (6.3)	NR	Ref: Arm 2, Entire Subgroup Mantel- Haenszel Trend: NR, p=Ref	No
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	NICU Admission	1 audio prenatal visits/Live- born infants without major malformati ons	183 Days	1590	82 (5.2)	NR	Ref: Arm 2, Entire Subgroup Mantel- Haenszel Trend: NR, p=Ref	No
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	NICU Admission	2 audio prenatal visits/Live- born infants without major malformati ons	183 Days	1227	44 (3.6)	NR	Ref: Arm 2, Entire Subgroup Mantel- Haenszel Trend: NR, p=Ref	No
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	NICU Admission	≥3 audio prenatal visits/Live- born infants without major malformati ons	183 Days	1220	47 (5)	NR	Ref: Arm 2, Entire Subgroup Mantel- Haenszel Trend: NR, p=0.12	No

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Afonso Noguuer ia, 2021 ¹³	2c	Arm 1	Individuals with Heart Failure attending outpatient cardiology appointme nts (Pre- COVID)	Hospitalized for Heart Failure	full group	497 days	160	71 (44.4)	NR	Ref	No
Afonso Noguuer ia, 2021 ¹³	2c	Arm 2	Individuals with Heart Failure attending outpatient cardiology appointme nts (Post COVID)	Hospitalized for Heart Failure	full group	70 days	43	11 (25.6)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Chi Squared: NR, p=0.83	No
Cvietusa , 2022 ³⁹	2c	Arm 1	No asthma care	Hospitalizati ons	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 2977	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0 (SE 0)	NR	Ref	Age, sex, race, baseline value of outcome, person- year, overdispers ion
Cvietusa , 2022 ³⁹	2c	Arm 2	In-person only	Hospitalizati ons	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 1792	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: <0.001 (SE 0.062)	NR	Ref: Assuming Arm1 p-value only: p=0.034	Age, sex, race, baseline value of outcome, person- year, overdispers ion

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Cvietusa , 2022 ³⁹	2c	Arm 3	Mixed (in- person and virtual)	Hospitalizati ons	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 1084	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: <0.001 (SE 0.291)	NR	Ref: Assuming Arm1 p-value only: p=0.034	Age, sex, race, baseline value of outcome, person- year, overdispers ion
Cvietusa , 2022 ³⁹	2c	Arm 4	Virtual care only	Hospitalizati ons	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 1952	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0 (SE 0)	NR	Ref: Assuming Arm1 p-value only: p=0.034	Age, sex, race, baseline value of outcome, person- year, overdispers ion
D'Anna, 2021 ⁴⁰	2c	Arm 1	In-person (2019)	Admission to hospital for recurrent transient ischaemic attack/stroke	full group	3 months	180	3 (1.67)	NR	Ref	No
D'Anna, 2021 ⁴⁰	2c	Arm 2	Telephone (2020)	Admission to hospital for recurrent transient ischaemic attack/stroke	full group	3 months	136	2 (1.47)	NR	Ref: Assuming Arm1 p-value only: p=0.445	No
D'Anna, 2021 ⁴⁰	2c	Arm 1	In-person (2019)	Cardiovascu lar admission to hospital	full group	3 months	180	2 (1.11)	NR	Ref	No
D'Anna, 2021 ⁴⁰	2c	Arm 2	Telephone (2020)	Cardiovascu lar admission to hospital	full group	3 months	136	1 (0.74)	NR	Ref: Assuming Arm1 p-value only: p=0.367	No

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
D'Anna, 2021 ⁴⁰	2c	Arm 1	In-person (2019)	Nonvascular admission to hospital	full group	3 months	180	13 (7.22)	NR	Ref	No
D'Anna, 2021 ⁴⁰	2c	Arm 2	Telephone (2020)	Nonvascular admission to hospital	full group	3 months	136	4 (2.94)	NR	Ref: Assuming Arm1 p-value only: p=0.048	No
Ostberg, 2022 ⁹⁴	2c	Arm 1	In-person	Admit to in- patient	full group	NR	455	27 (5.9)	NR	Ref	No
Ostberg, 2022 ⁹⁴	2c	Arm 2	Telehealth (Zoom)	Admit to in- patient	full group	NR	455	29 (6.4)	NR	Ref: Assuming Arm1 p-value only: p=0.054	No
Sevilis, 2022 ¹¹⁴	2c	Arm 1	Pre- COVID	Inpatient thrombolytic s	full group	24 hours	15226	66 (4)	NR	Ref	No
Sevilis, 2022 ¹¹⁴	2c	Arm 2	COVID	Inpatient thrombolytic s	full group	24 hours	11105	70 (5.7)	NR	Ref: Assuming Arm1 p-value only: p=0.033	No
Sharma, 2020 ¹¹⁷	2c	Arm 1	IBD Services before COVID (2019)	Inpatient Contact	"Service Evaluation " - Inpatient	NR	1036	Events: 17 (1.6)	NR	REF	No
Sharma, 2020 ¹¹⁷	2c	Arm 2	IBD Services after COVID (2020)	Inpatient Contact	"Service Evaluation " - Inpatient	NR	334	Events: 3 (0.9)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 % change from baseline: - 0.82, p=NR	No

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Watson, 2021 ¹²⁵	2c	Arm 1	Pre- telephone clinic (face to face)	Hospitalizati on within 24hrs	full group	24 hours	814	18 (2.21)	NR	Ref	No
Watson, 2021 ¹²⁵	2c	Arm 2	Post- introductio n (telephone)	Hospitalizati on within 24hrs	full group	24 hours	910	22 (2.42)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.531	No
Zhao, 2021 ¹³²	2c	Arm 1	Individuals with heart failure attending in-person outpatient appointme nts	Hospitalizati on for Heart Failure	full group	66 days	39	0 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Zhao, 2021 ¹³²	2c	Arm 2	Individuals with heart failure attending in-person telehealth appointme nts	Hospitalizati on for Heart Failure	full group	82 days	43	2 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Zhu, 2021 ¹³³	2c	Arm 1	2019 cohort (face to face)	Planned Admission or Procedure	full group	NR	1286	33 (2.6)	NR	Ref	No
Zhu, 2021 ¹³³	2c	Arm 2	2020 cohort (telehealth)	Planned Admission or Procedure	full group	NR	1493	15 (1)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 0.38 (95% Cl: 0.208 to 0.71), p=0.002	No
Zhu, 2021 ¹³³	2c	Arm 1	2019 cohort (face to face)	Unplanned admission	full group	NR	1286	53 (4.1)	NR	Ref	No

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Zhu, 2021 ¹³³	2c	Arm 2	2020 cohort (telehealth)	Unplanned admission	full group	NR	1493	39 (2.6)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 0.62 (95% Cl: 0.41 to 0.95), p=0.027	No
Zhu, 2021 ¹³³	2c	Arm 1	2019 cohort (face to face)	Unplanned hospital presentation	full group	NR	1286	94 (7.3)	NR	Ref	No
Zhu, 2021 ¹³³	2c	Arm 2	2020 cohort (telehealth)	Unplanned hospital presentation	full group	NR	1493	80 (5.4)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 0.72 (95% Cl: 0.528 to 0.977), p=0.034	No
Zhu, 2021 ¹³³	2c	Arm 1	2019 cohort (face to face)	Unplanned rheumatolog ical hospital presentation	full group	NR	1286	42 (44.7)	NR	Ref	No
Zhu, 2021 ¹³³	2c	Arm 2	2020 cohort (telehealth)	Unplanned rheumatolog ical hospital presentation	full group	NR	1493	28 (35)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 0.67 (95% Cl: 0.361 to 1.231), p=0.194	Νο
Uppal, 2022 ¹²³	3	Arm 1	In-person	Postoperativ e ICU admission	full group	NR	437	2 (0.5)	NR	Ref	No
Uppal, 2022 ¹²³	3	Arm 2	Telehealth	Postoperativ e ICU admission	full group	NR	98	0 (0)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=1	No

la=general medical care, adults; 1b=general medical care, children; 1c=general medical care, all ages; 2a=specialized care, COVID-19; 2b=specialized care, pregnany/prenatal/gynecological; 2c=specialized care, other; 3=surgical care; 4=general behavioral; 5=physical rehabilitation; ACSC= ambulatory care sensitive conditions; CCI= Charlson Comorbidity Index; CI=confidence interval; ED=emergency department; N=sample size; NICU=neonatal intensive care unit; NR=not reported; NS=non-significant; OR=odds ratio; p=p-value; Ref=reference

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participant s With Outcomes, n(%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Betwee n Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Smith, 2021 ¹¹⁸	1a	Full group	Full group	Hospital Admission	full group	3 days	18278	Events: 118 (0.5)	NR	NR	No
Smith, 2021 ¹¹⁸	1a	Full group	Full group	Hospital Admission	age 18- 29	11 days	18278	NR	NR	NR	No
Smith, 2021 ¹¹⁸	1a	Full group	Full group	Hospital Admission	age 30- 39	12 days	18278	Events: 14 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Smith, 2021 ¹¹⁸	1a	Full group	Full group	Hospital Admission	age 40- 49	13 days	18278	Events: 22 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Smith, 2021 ¹¹⁸	1a	Full group	Full group	Hospital Admission	age 50- 59	14 days	18278	Events: 24 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Smith, 2021 ¹¹⁸	1a	Full group	Full group	Hospital Admission	age 60- 69	15 days	18278	Events: 25 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Schweiberg er, 2020 ¹¹²	1b	Arm 1	Outpatient practices with low telemedicin e use	Urgent Care Visits per 1000 patients per week	full group	19 days	NR	Events: 0.4 (NR)	NR	Ref: Arm 2, Arm 3 Kruskal- Wallis Test: NR, p=0.1	No
Schweiberg er, 2021 ¹¹²	1b	Arm 2	Outpatient practices with intermediat e telemedicin e use	Urgent Care Visits per 1000 patients per week	full group	20 days	NR	Events: 1 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Schweiberg er, 2022 ¹¹²	1b	Arm 3	Outpatient practices with high telemedicin e use	Urgent Care Visits per 1000 patients per week	full group	21 days	NR	Events: 1 (NR)	NR	NR	No

 Table D.5.4. Healthcare utilization (hospitalization) results of non-comparison studies (Key Question 2)

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participant s With Outcomes, n(%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Betwee n Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Okeefe, 2021 ⁹²	2a	Arm 1	Patients (Risk Tier 1, Low Risk) diagnosed with COVID-19 assigned to home monitoring program	Hospitalizati on	full group	NR	237	3 (NR)	NR	Ref	No
Okeefe, 2021 ⁹²	2a	Arm 2	Patients (Risk Tier 2, Intermediat e Risk)diagn osed with COVID-19 assigned to home monitoring program	Hospitalizati on	full group	NR	185	15 (NR)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Hazard ratio: 5.29 (95% Cl: 1.53 to 18.32), p=0.009	No
Okeefe, 2021 ⁹²	2a	Arm 3	Patients (Risk Tier 3, High Risk)diagn osed with COVID-19 assigned to home monitoring program	Hospitalizati on	full group	NR	74	17 (NR)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Hazard ratio: 16.24 (95% Cl: 4.74 to 55.59), p≤.001	No

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participant s With Outcomes, n(%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Betwee n Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Okeefe, 2021 ⁹²	2a	Arm 1	Patients (Risk Tier 1, Low Risk) diagnosed with COVID-19 assigned to home monitoring program	Hospitalizati on	full group	NR	237	NR	NR	Ref	Risk Tier, Reported Obesity, Age ≥ 60, Gender
Okeefe, 2021 ⁹²	2a	Arm 2	Patients (Risk Tier 2, Intermediat e Risk)diagn osed with COVID-19 assigned to home monitoring program	Hospitalizati on	full group	NR	185	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Hazard ratio: 3.74 (95% Cl: 1.06 to 13.27), p=0.02	Risk Tier, Reported Obesity, Age ≥ 60, Gender
Okeefe, 2021 ⁹²	2a	Arm 3	Patients (Risk Tier 3, High Risk)diagn osed with COVID-19 assigned to home monitoring program	Hospitalizati on	full group	NR	74	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Hazard ratio: 10.87 (95% Cl: 3.09 to 38.27), p≤.001	Risk Tier, Reported Obesity, Age ≥ 60, Gender
Okeefe, 2021 ⁹²	2a	Full group	Full group	Hospitalizati on	Age 18- 29	NR	78	0 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Okeefe, 2021 ⁹²	2a	Full group	Full group	Hospitalizati on	Age 30- 39	NR	84	3 (NR)	NR	Ref	No

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participant s With Outcomes, n(%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Betwee n Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Okeefe, 2021 ⁹²	2a	Full group	Full group	Hospitalizati on	Age 40- 49	NR	106	3 (NR)	NR	Ref: Age 30- 39 Hazard ratio: 0.71 (95% Cl: 0.14 to 3.53), p=0.68	No
Okeefe, 2021 ⁹²	2a	Full group	Full group	Hospitalizati on	Age 50- 59	NR	115	10 (NR)	NR	Ref: Age 30- 39 Hazard ratio: 2.16 (95% Cl: 0.59 to 7.85), p=0.24	No
Okeefe, 2021 ⁹²	2a	Full group	Full group	Hospitalizati on	Age 60- 69	NR	84	16 (NR)	NR	Ref: Age 30- 39 Hazard ratio: 4.89 (95% Cl: 1.42 to 16.79), p=0.01	Νο

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participant s With Outcomes, n(%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Betwee n Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Okeefe, 2021 ⁹²	2a	Full group	Full group	Hospitalizati on	Age ≥ 70	NR	29	3 (NR)	NR	Ref: Age 30- 39 Hazard ratio: 2.32 (95% Cl: 0.47 to 11.52), p=0.31	No
Okeefe, 2021 ⁹²	2a	Full group	Full group	Hospitalizati on	Age ≥ 60	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: NR Hazard ratio: 3.77 (95% CI: 1.94 to 7.34), p≤.001	No
Okeefe, 2021 ⁹²	2a	Full group	Full group	Hospitalizati on	Age ≥ 60	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: NR Hazard ratio: 2.53 (95% Cl: 1.27 to 5.02), p=0.005	Risk Tier, Reported Obesity, Age ≥ 60, Gender
Okeefe, 2021 ⁹²	2a	Full group	Full group	Hospitalizati on	Other Race	NR	147	6 (NR)	NR	Ref	No
Okeefe, 2021 ⁹²	2a	Full group	Full group	Hospitalizati on	Black Race	NR	252	18 (NR)	NR	Ref: Other Race Hazard ratio: 1.5 (95% Cl: 0.63 to 4.01), p=0.33	No

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participant s With Outcomes, n(%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Betwee n Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Okeefe, 2021 ⁹²	2a	Full group	Full group	Hospitalizati on	White Race	NR	97	11 (NR)	NR	Ref: Other Race Hazard 2.59 (95% Cl: 0.96 to 7.01), p=0.06	No
Okeefe, 2021 ⁹²	2a	Full group	Full group	Hospitalizati on	Female	NR	330	19 (NR)	NR	Ref	No
Okeefe, 2021 ⁹²	2a	Full group	Full group	Hospitalizati on	Male	NR	166	16 (NR)	NR	Ref: Female Hazard ratio: 1.76 (95% Cl: 0.91 to 3.43), p=0.1	No
Okeefe, 2021 ⁹²	2a	Full group	Full group	Hospitalizati on	Male	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: NR Hazard ratio: 1.76 (95% Cl: 0.91 to 3.43), p=0.1	No
Okeefe, 2021 ⁹²	2a	Full group	Full group	Hospitalizati on	Male	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: NR p=0.09	Risk Tier, Reported Obesity, Age ≥ 60, Gender

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participant s With Outcomes, n(%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Betwee n Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Okeefe, 2021 ⁹²	2a	Full group	Full group	Hospitalizati on	Reporte d Obesity	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: NR Hazard ratio: 2.27 (95% Cl: 1.17 to 4.41), p=0.02	No
Okeefe, 2021 ⁹²	2a	Full group	Full group	Hospitalizati on	Reporte d Obesity	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: NR Hazard ratio: 2.09 (95% Cl: 4.06 to 4.13), p=0.048	Risk Tier, Reported Obesity, Age ≥ 60, Gender
Akama- Garren, 2021 ¹⁵	2a	Arm 1	Patients triaged by Medical students at a respiratory clinic - Cleared	Inpatient Encounter	full group	214 Days	693	26 (4)	NR	Ref: Arm 2, Arm 3, Arm 4 for Inpatien t, Outpati ent, Emerge ncy, and Missing groups Chi- Square d: NR, p≤.001	Νο

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participant s With Outcomes, n(%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Betwee n Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Akama- Garren, 2021 ¹⁵	2a	Arm 2	Patients triaged by Medical students at a respiratory clinic - Referred to Clinic (RIC)	Inpatient Encounter	full group	214 Days	107	9 (8)	NR	NR	No
Akama- Garren, 2021 ¹⁵	2a	Arm 3	Patients triaged by Medical students at a respiratory clinic - Advised to isolate	Inpatient Encounter	full group	214 Days	478	12 (3)	NR	NR	Νο
Akama- Garren, 2021 ¹⁵	2a	Arm 4	Patients triaged by Medical students at a respiratory clinic - Referred to ED	Inpatient Encounter	full group	214 Days	8	2 (25)	NR	NR	No
Margolius, 2021 ⁸²	2a	Full group	Full group	Hospitalizati on	full group	48 days	10208	44 (0.01)	NR	NR	No
Margolius, 2021 ⁸²	2a	Full group	Full group	Hospitalizati on	Age	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Age (per 10 years) Odds ratio: 1.09 (95% Cl: 0.77 to 1.54), p=0.62	Age, Sex, Race, Insurance Type, COVID-19 disposition, Smoking Status

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participant s With Outcomes, n(%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Betwee n Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Margolius, 2021 ⁸²	2a	Full group	Full group	Hospitalizati on	NH White	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref	Age, Sex, Race, Insurance Type, COVID-19 disposition, Smoking Status
Margolius, 2021 ⁸²	2a	Full group	Full group	Hospitalizati on	NH Black	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: NH White Odds ratio: 0.85 (95% Cl: 0.28 to 2.6), p=0.77	Age, Sex, Race, Insurance Type, COVID-19 disposition, Smoking Status
Margolius, 2021 ⁸²	2a	Full group	Full group	Hospitalizati on	Hispani c	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: NH White Odds ratio: 1.19 (95% Cl: 0.14 to 9.8), p=0.87	Age, Sex, Race, Insurance Type, COVID-19 disposition, Smoking Status
Margolius, 2021 ⁸²	2a	Full group	Full group	Hospitalizati on	Other Race	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: NH White Odds ratio: 1.17 (95% Cl: 0.14 to 9.67), p=0.88	Age, Sex, Race, Insurance Type, COVID-19 disposition, Smoking Status

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participant s With Outcomes, n(%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Betwee n Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Margolius, 2021 ⁸²	2a	Full group	Full group	Hospitalizati on	Male	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Female Odds ratio: 0.7 (95% Cl: 0.22 to 2.25), p=0.55	Age, Sex, Race, Insurance Type, COVID-19 disposition, Smoking Status
Ferry, 2021 ⁴⁶	2a	Full group	Full group	Admitted to ICU	Full group	NR	223	2 (0.9)	NR	NR	No
Ferry, 2021 ⁴⁶	2a	Full group	Full group	Admitted to inpatient ward	Full group	NR	223	12 (5.4)	NR	NR	No
Hutchings, 2021 ⁵⁹	2a	Full group	Full group	Care escalation, ambulance attendance rate	full group	NR	173	5 (3)	NR	NR	No
Hutchings, 2021 ⁵⁹	2a	Full group	Full group	Care escalation, emergency department attendance rate	full group	NR	173	4 (2.5)	NR	NR	No
Hutchings, 2021 ⁵⁹	2a	Full group	Full group	Care escalation, hospital admission rate	full group	NR	173	3 (1.9)	NR	NR	No
Francis, 2021 ⁴⁸	2a	Full group	Full group	Clinical deterioratio n (hospital admission)	Full group	4 weeks	900	58 (6.44)	NR	NR	No
Kim, 202167	2a	Full group	Full group	Admission to hospital	Referre d to ED	91 days	16	6 (37.5)	NR	NR	No
Kim, 202167	2a	Full group	Full group	Referral to Urgent Care/ED	full group	91 days	406	42 (10)	NR	NR	No

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participant s With Outcomes, n(%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Betwee n Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Martinez- Garcia, 2020 ⁸⁴	2a	Full group	Full group	Readmissio n to hospital	full group	30 days	304	1 (0.3)	NR	NR	No
Reynolds- Wright, 2021 ¹⁰³	2b	Full group	Full group	Visit to hospital	full group	99 days	663	16 (2.4)	NR	NR	No
Taxonera, 2020 ¹²¹	2c	Full group	Full group	Hospitalizati on for complicated IBD	full group	28 Days	216	Events: 2 (NR)	NR	NR	No
McLachlan, 2021 ⁸⁶	2c	Full group	Full group	Hospital Admission	full group	203 Days	50	19 (0.38)	NR	NR	No
McLachlan, 2021 ⁸⁶	2c	Full group	Full group	Hospital admission: Heart Failure	full group	203 Days	50	4 (8)	NR	NR	No
Shabto, 2020 ¹¹⁵	2c	Full group	Full group	Hospitalized	full group	NR	49	5 (0.102)	NR	NR	No

1a=general medical care, adults; 1b=general medical care, children; 1c=general medical care, all ages; 2a=specialized care, COVID-19; 2b=specialized care, pregnany/prenatal/gynecological; 2c=specialized care, other; 3=surgical care; 4=general behavioural; 5=physical rehabilitation; CI=confidence interval; ED=emergency department; N=sample size; NICU=neonatal intensive care unit; NR=not reported; OR=odds ratio; p=p-value; Ref=reference

2) Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Comparison	Between A Compariso
Borgen, 2021 ²⁴	2a	Arm 1	Individuals with new COVID-19 not receiving telehealth care management discharged from the hospital	Hospital Readmission	Enrolled from inpatient	30 days	593	26 (4.4)	NR	Ref
Borgen, 2021 ²⁴	2a	Arm 2	Individuals with new COVID-19 receiving telehealth care management	Hospital Readmission	Enrolled from inpatient	30 days	114	4 (3.5)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Chi-squared test of independen 0.18, p=0.6
Carlberg, 2020 ³⁰	2a	Arm 1	Patients receiving telehealth and in- person evaluation in the ED	Admitted upon return, within 72 hours, COVID-19 related	full group	72 hours	132	1 (8)	NR	NR
Carlberg, 2020 ³⁰	2a	Arm 2	Patients receiving telehealth only evaluation in the ED	Admitted upon return, within 72 hours, COVID-19 related	full group	72 hours	153	0 (0)	NR	NR
Carlberg, 2020 ³⁰	2a	Arm 1	Patients receiving telehealth and in- person evaluation in the ED	Admitted upon return, Within 72 hours, Non- COVID-19 related	full group	72 hours	132	0 (0)	NR	NR

Table D.5.5. Healthcare utilization (readmission) results of studies comparing in-person versus telehealth interventions (Key Question 2)

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Comparison	Between A Compariso
Carlberg, 2020 ³⁰	2a	Arm 2	Patients receiving telehealth only evaluation in the ED	Admitted upon return, Within 72 hours, Non- COVID-19 related	full group	72 hours	153	0 (0)	NR	NR
Carlberg, 2020 ³⁰	2a	Arm 1	Patients receiving telehealth and in- person evaluation in the ED	Admitted upon return, overall, COVID-19 related	full group	NR (assumed 25 days)	132	2 (1.5)	NR	NR
Carlberg, 2020 ³⁰	2a	Arm 2	Patients receiving telehealth only evaluation in the ED	Admitted upon return, overall, COVID-19 related	full group	NR (assumed 25 days)	153	1 (7)	NR	NR
Carlberg, 2020 ³⁰	2a	Arm 1	Patients receiving telehealth and in- person evaluation in the ED	Admitted upon return, overall, Non-COVID-19 related	full group	NR (assumed 25 days)	132	1 (0.8)	NR	NR
Carlberg, 2020 ³⁰	2a	Arm 2	Patients receiving telehealth only evaluation in the ED	Admitted upon return, overall, Non-COVID-19 related	full group	NR (assumed 25 days)	153	0 (0)	NR	NR
Khosla, 2022 ⁶⁶	2b	Arm 1	Pre- pandemic	Readmission	full group	6 weeks	215	38 (17.8)	NR	Ref
Khosla, 202266	2b	Arm 2	Post- pandemic	Readmission	full group	6 weeks	258	45 (17.4)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value onl p=0.91
Khosla, 2022 ⁶⁶	2b	Arm 1	Pre- pandemic	Race: Non- hispanic Black, Readmission	Race	6 weeks	171	33 (19.5)	NR	Ref

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Comparison	Between A Comparis
Khosla, 2022 ⁶⁶	2b	Arm 2	Post- pandemic	Race: Non- hispanic Black, Readmission	Race	6 weeks	190	37 (19.5)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value on p=0.99
Khosla, 2022 ⁶⁶	2b	Arm 1	Pre- pandemic	Race: Non- hispanic White, Readmission	Race	6 weeks	26	3 (11.5)	NR	Ref
Khosla, 2022 ⁶⁶	2b	Arm 2	Post- pandemic	Race: Non- hispanic White, Readmission	Race	6 weeks	30	3 (10)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value onl p=0.85
Boles, 2022 ²³	3	Arm 1	In-person	Readmission	full group	NR	66	0 (0)	NR	NR
Boles, 2022 ²³	3	Arm 2	Telemedicine (not specified)	Readmission	full group	NR	23	0 (0)	NR	NR
Irarrazaval, 202160	3	Arm 1	In-person	Elective surgery	full group	NR	113	6 (5.3)	NR	Ref
Irarrazaval, 2021 ⁶⁰	3	Arm 2	Telemedicine	Elective surgery	full group	NR	106	2 (1.9)	NR	Ref: Assum Arm1 p-value onl p=0.32
Irarrazaval, 202160	3	Arm 1	In-person	Urgent/emergency surgery	full group	NR	113	3 (2.7)	NR	Ref
Irarrazaval, 2021 ⁶⁰	3	Arm 2	Telemedicine	Urgent/emergency surgery	full group	NR	106	4 (3.8)	NR	Ref: Assum Arm1 p-value onl p=0.94
Uppal, 2022 ¹²³	3	Arm 1	In-person	Readmission, 90 days	full group	90 days	437	NR (NR)	NR	Ref
Uppal, 2022 ¹²³	3	Arm 2	Telehealth	Readmission, 90 days	full group	90 days	98	NR (NR)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 0.89 (95% 0.43 to 1.7) p=0.77

1a=general medical care, adults; 1b=general medical care, children; 1c=general medical care, all ages; 2a=specialized care, COVID-19; 2b=specialized care, pregnancy/prenatal/gynecological; 2c=specialized care, other; 3=surgical care; 4=general behavioural; 5=physical rehabilitation; CI=confidence interval; N=sample size; NR=not reported; OR=odds ratio; p=p-value; Ref=reference

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Martinez- Garcia, 2020 ⁸⁴	2a	Full group	Full group	Readmission to hospital	full group	30 days	304	1 (0.3)	NR	NR	No

 Table D.5.6. Healthcare utilization (readmission) results of non-comparison studies (Key Question 2)

2a=specialized care, COVID-19; N=sample size; NR=not reported

	Category			Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	
Aiken, 2021 ¹⁴	2b	Arm 1		Adverse Effect: Death	full group	59 days	22158	0 (0)	NR	Ref	patient age, race/ethnicity, gestational age, parity and prior abortions using logistic regression and weighted risk differences.
Aiken, 2021 ¹⁴	2b	Arm 2		Adverse Effect: Death	full group	85 days	29984	0 (0)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Covariate adjusted test of difference or proportions: NR, p=NR	patient age, race/ethnicity, gestational age, parity and prior abortions using logistic regression and weighted risk differences.
			Pre-telehealth								No
Arias, 2022 ¹⁹	2b	Arm 1		Fetal death	full group	NR	780	11 (1.4)	NR	Ref	
Arias, 2022 ¹⁹	2b	Arm 2	Post-telehealth implementation	Fetal death	full group	NR	799	13 (1.6)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.72	No
Afonso Noguueria, 2021 ¹³	2c	Arm 1	Individuals with Heart Failure attending outpatient cardiology appointments (Pre- COVID)	Mortality	full group	497 days	160	20 (12.5)	NR	Ref	No

Table D.6.1. Clinical outcome (mortality) results of studies comparing in-person versus telehealth interventions (Key Question 2)	Table D.6.1. Clinical outcome	mortality) res	sults of studies com	iparing in-person vers	us telehealth interventions ((ev Question 2)
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Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition		Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)		Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Afonso Noguueria, 2021 ¹³	2c	Arm 2	Individuals with Heart Failure attending outpatient cardiology appointments (Post COVID)	Mortality	full group	70 days	43	1 (2.3)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 t-test of real vs estimated mortality: NR, p=NR	No
Watson,			Pre-telephone	30-day mortality post systemic	c			- (0.00)			No
2021 ¹²⁵ Watson, 2021 ¹²⁵		Arm 1 Arm 2	clinic (face to face) Post-introduction (telephone)	30-day mortality post systemic	full group full group	30 days 30 days	814 910		NR NR	Ref Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.008	No
Zhao, 2021 ¹³²		Arm 1	Individuals with heart failure attending in-person outpatient appointments	Mortality and Major	full group	66 days	39		NR		No
Zhao, 2021 ¹³²	2c	Arm 2	Individuals with heart failure attending in-person telehealth appointments	Major	0.1	82 days	43	NR (2.33)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Assumed Chi- squared: NR, p=0.6	No
rarrazaval,											No
2021 ⁶⁰	3	Arm 1	In-person	Mortality	full group	NR	113	0 (0)	NR	NR	
rarrazaval, 2021 ⁶⁰	3	Arm 2	Telemedicine	Mortality	full group	NR	106	0 (0)	NR	NR	No
				Death during							No
Uppal, 2022 ¹²³ Uppal, 2022 ¹²³		Arm 1 Arm 2	In-person Telehealth	followup Death during followup	full group full group		<u>437</u> 98		NR	Ref Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 2.26 (95% CI: 0.48 to 7.72), p=0.32	No

2b=specialized care, pregnany/prenatal/gynecological; 2c=specialized care, other; N=sample size; NR=not reported; p=p-value; Ref=reference

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subg roup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Compariso n	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Akama- Garren, 2021 ¹⁵	2a	Arm 2	Patients triaged by Medical students at a respiratory clinic - Referred to Clinic (RIC)	Died	full group	214 Days	107	0 (0)	NR	NR	No
Akama- Garren, 2021 ¹⁵	2a	Arm 4	Patients triaged by Medical students at a respiratory clinic - Referred to ED	Died	full group	214 Days	8	1 (12.5)	NR	NR	No
Akama- Garren, 2021 ¹⁵	2a	Arm 3	Patients triaged by Medical students at a respiratory clinic - Advised to isolate	Died	full group	214 Days	478	2 (0.42)	NR	NR	No
Akama- Garren, 2021 ¹⁵	2a	Arm 1	Patients triaged by Medical students at a respiratory clinic - Cleared	Died	full group	214 Days	693	3 (0.43)	NR	NR	No
Ferry, 2021 ⁴⁶	2a	Full grou p	Full group	Mortality	Full group	NR	223	0 (0)	NR	NR	No

 Table D.6.2. Clinical outcome (mortality) results of non-comparison studies (Key Question 2)

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subg roup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Compariso n	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Hutchings, 2021 ⁵⁹	2a	Full grou p	Full group	Deaths	Full group	NR	173	0 (0)	NR	NR	No
Shabto, 2020 ¹¹⁵	2a	Full grou p	Full group	Mortality	full group	NR	49	2 (4.1)	NR	NR	No
Francis, 2021 ⁴⁸	2a	Full grou p	Full group	Clinical deteriorati on (deaths)	Full group	4 weeks	900	18 (2)	NR	NR	No
Smith, 2021 ¹¹⁸	2c	Full grou p	Full group	Died	full group	50 days	18278	NR	NR	NR	No
De Marchi, 2021 ⁴³	2c	Full grou p	Full group	Died due to rapid worsening of clinical conditions	Full group	NR	19	1 (5.3)	NR	NR	No
McLachlan, 2021 ⁸⁶	2c	Full grou p	Full group	Mortality	full group	203 Days	50	0 (0)	NR	NR	No
Rowe, 2021 ¹⁰⁷	2c	Arm 1	Telephone Cardiology Outpatient Visits	Cardiac mortality	full group	148 Days	1118	4 (0.35)	NR	NR	No
Rowe, 2021 ¹⁰⁷	2c	Arm 2	Video Cardiology Outpatient Visits	Cardiac mortality	full group	148 Days	327	1 (0.3)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Measure of association not mentioned (used, assumed relative risk): NR, p=0.759	Age, Gender, English as First Language, Rural Status, initial appointme nt status, cardiologi st seen

Author, Year Rowe, 2021 ¹⁰⁷	Category 2c	Arm Arm	Arm Definition Telephone Cardiology	Outcome Definition All-cause mortality	Subg roup full	Time Point of Analysis 148 Days	N at Analysis 1118	Participants With Outcomes, n (%) 12 (1.1)	Within Arm Compariso n NR	Between Arm Comparison REF	Adjusted NR
Rowe, 2021 ¹⁰⁷	2c	Arm 2	Outpatient Visits Video Cardiology	All-cause mortality	group full group	148 Days	327	2 (0.6)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Measure of	Age, Gender,
			Outpatient Visits							association not mentioned (used, assumed relative risk):	English as First Language, Rural Status, initial
										NR, p=0.806	appointme nt status, cardiologi st seen

2a=specialized care, COVID-19; 2c=specialized care, other; N=sample size; NR=not reported; p=p-value; Ref=reference;

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Defini- tion	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysi s	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Compariso n	Adjuste d
Arias, 2022 ¹⁹	2b	Arm 1	Pre- telehealt h impleme ntation	Postpartu m depressio n screening	Full group	NR	780	368 (65.1)	NR	Ref	Prenatal care provider only
Arias, 2022 ¹⁹	2b	Arm 2	Post- telehealt h impleme ntation	Postpartu m depressio n screening	Full group	NR	799	571 (86.3)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 4.61 (95% Cl: 3.38 to 6.28), p=<0.001	Prenatal care provider only
Minsky, 2021 ⁹⁰	2c	Arm 1	Not using telemedi cine	Deteriorati on in dietary habit score	Full group	NR	228	97 (42.54)	NR	NR	No
Minsky, 2021 ⁹⁰	2c	Arm 2	Using telemedi cine	Deteriorati on in dietary habit score	Full group	NR	51	17 (33.33)	NR	NR	No
Kablinger, 2022 ⁶³	4	Arm 1	Pre- pandem ic	BASE-6	Full group	NR	Baselin e: NR Followu p: 196	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 23.91 (NR)	NR	Ref	No
Kablinger, 2022 ⁶³	4	Arm 2	Post- pandem ic	BASE-6	Full group	NR	Baselin e: NR Followu p: 196	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 21.01 (NR)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Difference: p=<0.00	No

Table D.6.3. Clinical outcome (patient-reported) results of studies comparing in-person versus telehealth interventions (Key Question 2)

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Defini- tion	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysi s	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Compariso n	Adjuste d
Kablinger, 2022 ⁶³	4	Arm 1	Pre- pandem ic	GAD-7	Full group	NR	Baselin e: NR Followu p: 199	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 10.55 (NR)	NR	Ref	No
Kablinger, 2022 ⁶³	4	Arm 2	Post- pandem ic	GAD-7	Full group	NR	Baselin e: NR Followu p: 199	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 8.39 (NR)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Difference: p=<0.00	No
Kablinger, 2022 ⁶³	4	Arm 1	Pre- pandem ic	PHQ-9	Full group	NR	Baselin e: NR Followu p: 176	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 11.88 (NR)	NR	Ref	No
Kablinger, 2022 ⁶³	4	Arm 2	Post- pandem ic	PHQ-9	Full group	NR	Baselin e: NR Followu p: 176	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 9.7 (NR)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Difference: p=0.00	No
Levinson, 2021 ⁷²	4	Arm 1	In- person	Eating Disorder Examinati on Questionn aire v4 (EDE-Q- IV)	Full group	Mean stay: 11.32 weeks Discharge	Baselin e: 60 Followu p: 60	Continuous data Baseline: Mean: 4.1 (SD 1.07) Followup: Mean: 2.73 (SD 1.24)	NR	Ref	No

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Defini- tion	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysi s	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Compariso n	Adjuste d
Levinson, 2021 ⁷²	4	Arm 2	Telehea Ith (Zoom)	Eating Disorder Examinati on Questionn aire v4 (EDE-Q- IV)	Full group	Mean stay: 11.32 weeks Discharge	Baselin e: 33 Followu p: 33	Continuous data Baseline: Mean: 3.56 (SD 1.42) Followup: Mean: 2.56 (SD 1.14)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=NS	No
Levinson, 2021 ⁷²	4	Arm 1	In- person	Beck Depressio n Inventory II (BDI-II)	Full group	Mean stay: 11.32 weeks Discharge	Baselin e: 60 Followu p: 60	Continuous data Baseline: Mean: 31.2 (SD 11.64) Followup: Mean: 23.37 (SD 14.42)	NR	Ref	No
Levinson, 2021 ⁷²	4	Arm 2	Telehea Ith (Zoom)	Beck Depressio n Inventory II (BDI-II)	Full group	Mean stay: 11.32 weeks Discharge	Baselin e: 33 Followu p: 33	Continuous data Baseline: Mean: 26.16 (SD 12.62) Followup: Mean: 20.13 (SD 11.8)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=NS	No
Zayde, 2021 ¹³⁰	4	Full group	Full sample	Patient Health Questionn aire–9 score (before vs after)	Full group	20 Weeks	Baselin e: 12 Followu p: 12	Continuous data Baseline: Mean: 7.8 (SD 5.96) Followup: Mean: 3.1 (SD 2.02)	Cohen's d: - 0.75 (95% CI: -0.62 to 8.78), p=NR	NR	No
Zayde, 2021 ¹³⁰	4	Full group	Full sample	Generaliz ed Anxiety Disorder Scale–7 score (before vs after)	Full group	20 Weeks	Baselin e: 12 Followu p: 12	Continuous data Baseline: Mean: 8.2 (SD 5.47) Followup: Mean: 2.8 (SD 1.75)	Cohen's d: - 0.94 (95% CI: 2.23 to 8.57), p=NR	NR	No

2b=specialized care, pregnancy/prenatal/obstetrics and gynecology; 2c=specialized care, other; 4=behavioral or mental health; BASE-6= Brief adjustment scale-6; BDI-II= Beck Depression Inventory II; CI=confidence interval; EDE-Q-IV= Eating Disorder Examination Questionnaire version 4; GAD-7= Generalized anxiety disorder-7; N=sample size; NR=not reported; NS=non-significant; p=p-value; PHQ-9= The patient health questionnaire -9; Ref=reference; SD=standard deviation

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Particip ants With Outcom es, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Malliaras, 2020 ⁸¹	1a	Arm 1	Advice only	Pain and function, Shoulder Pain and Disability Index (SPADI)	Full group	12 weeks	Baseline: 12 Followup: 11	Score Baselin e Mean: 30.6 (SD 17.7) Followu p Mean: 26.6 (SD 22.3)	Mean change from baseline: - 4.8 (95% CI: -20.3 to 10.8), p=NR	NR	No
Malliaras, 2020 ⁸¹	1a	Arm 2	Recomme nded care	Pain and function, Shoulder Pain and Disability Index (SPADI)	Full group	12 weeks	Baseline: 12 Followup: 12	Score Baselin e Mean: 37.3 (SD 16.7) Followu p Mean: 21.7 (SD 17.8)	Mean change from baseline: - 16 (95% CI: -26 to -6), p=NR	NR	No
Malliaras, 2020 ⁸¹	1a	Arm 3	Recomme nded and telerehabil itation	Pain and function, Shoulder Pain and Disability Index (SPADI)	Full group	12 weeks	Baseline: 12 Followup: 12	Score Baselin e Mean: 41.8 (SD 19.1) Followu p Mean: 12.9 (SD 6.9)	Mean change from baseline: - 28.9 (95% Cl: -40.9 to -28.7), p=NR	NR	No

 Table D.6.4. Clinical outcome (patient-reported) results of non-comparison studies (Key Question 2)

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Particip ants With Outcom es, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Malliaras, 2020 ⁸¹	1a	Arm 1	Advice only	Worst pain in the last 7 days, VAS	Full group	12 weeks	Baseline: 12 Followup: 11	Score Baselin e Mean: 56.8 (SD 17.9) Followu p Mean: 41.8 (SD 23.1)	Mean change from baseline: - 15.8 (95% Cl: -33.1 to 1.5), p=NR	NR	No
Malliaras, 2020 ⁸¹	1a	Arm 2	Recomme nded care	Worst pain in the last 7 days, VAS	Full group	12 weeks	Baseline: 12 Followup: 12	Score Baselin e Mean: 51.6 (SD 22.4) Followu p Mean: 44.8 (SD 28.1)	Mean change from baseline: - 3.2 (95% Cl: -19.7 to 13.4), p=NR	NR	Νο
Malliaras, 2020 ⁸¹	1a	Arm 3	Recomme nded and telerehabil itation	Worst pain in the last 7 days, VAS	Full group	12 weeks	Baseline: 12 Followup: 12	Score Baselin e Mean: 59.7 (SD 21.1) Followu p Mean: 28.1 (SD 25.6)	Mean change from baseline: - 31.6 (95% Cl: -49.89 to -13.28), p=NR	NR	No

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Particip ants With Outcom es, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Malliaras, 2020 ⁸¹	1a	Arm 1	Advice only	Pain Self- Efficacy Questionnaire (PSEQ)	Full group	12 weeks	Baseline: 12 Followup: 11	Score Baselin e Mean: 50.4 (SD 9.4) Followu p Mean: 50.5 (SD 7.9)	Mean change from baseline: 1.3 (95% Cl: -4.1 to 6.7), p=NR	NR	No
Malliaras, 2020 ⁸¹	1a	Arm 2	Recomme nded care	Pain Self- Efficacy Questionnaire (PSEQ)	Full group	12 weeks	Baseline: 12 Followup: 12	Score Baselin e Mean: 50.1 (SD 9.3) Followu p Mean: 54.8 (SD 6.5)	Mean change from baseline: 4.2 (95% CI: -1.6 to 9.9), p=NR	NR	No
Malliaras, 2020 ⁸¹	1a	Arm 3	Recomme nded and telerehabil itation	Pain Self- Efficacy Questionnaire (PSEQ)	Full group	12 weeks	Baseline: 12 Followup: 12	Score Baselin e Mean: 52.3 (SD 6.9) Followu p Mean: 55.6 (SD 5.8)	Mean change from baseline: 3.3 (95% Cl: 1 to 5.6), p=NR	NR	No
Malliaras, 2020 ⁸¹	1a	Arm 1	Advice only	RCRSP knowledge	Full group	12 weeks	Baseline: 12 Followup: 11	Score Baselin e Median: 6 (IQR NR) Followu p Mean: 8.4 (IQR NR)	NR	NR	No

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Particip ants With Outcom es, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Malliaras, 2020 ⁸¹	1a	Arm 2	Recomme nded care	RCRSP knowledge	Full group	12 weeks	Baseline: 12 Followup: 12	Score Baselin e Median: 8.7 (IQR NR) Followu p Mean: 13.6 (IQR NR)	NR	NR	No
Malliaras, 2020 ⁸¹	1a	Arm 3	Recomme nded and telerehabil itation	RCRSP knowledge	Full group	12 weeks	Baseline: 12 Followup: 12	Score Baselin e Median: 6.7 (IQR NR) Followu p Mean: 14.4 (IQR NR)	NR	NR	No
Malliaras, 2020 ⁸¹	1a	Arm 1	Advice only	Pain catastrophizing , PCS	Full group	12 weeks	Baseline: 12 Followup: 11	Score Baselin e Mean: 7.3 (SD 9.2) Followu p Mean: 5.1 (95% Cl: 0.5 to 9.7)	Mean change from baseline: - 3.4 (95% Cl: -7.3 to 0.5), p=NR	NR	No

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Particip ants With Outcom es, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Malliaras, 2020 ⁸¹	1a	Arm 2	Recomme nded care	Pain catastrophizing , PCS	Full group	12 weeks	Baseline: 12 Followup: 12	Score Baselin e Mean: 4.6 (SD 5.8) Followu p Mean: 2.7 (95% Cl: 1.1 to 4.2)	Mean change from baseline: -2 (95% Cl: - 4.6 to 0.6), p=NR	NR	No
Malliaras, 2020 ⁸¹	1a	Arm 3	Recomme nded and telerehabil itation	Pain catastrophizing , PCS	Full group	12 weeks	Baseline: 12 Followup: 12	Score Baselin e Mean: 4.8 (SD 4.1) Followu p Mean: 4 (95% Cl: 1 to 7)	Mean change from baseline: - 0.8 (95% Cl: -3.3 to 1.6), p=NR	NR	No
Rizzoli, 2021 ¹⁰⁵	1a	Full group	Full group	Headache Impact Test (HIT-6)	Full group	6 months	Baseline: 14 Followup: 14	Score Baselin e Mean: 66.2 (SD 5.3) Followu p Mean: 60 (SD 7.6)	NR	NR	No
Wu, 2021 ¹²⁷	2c	Arm 1	Before telehealth- delivered home- based prehab	Mobility, no problems	Full group	Before prehabilit ation program	66	44 (NR)	NR	NR	No

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Particip ants With Outcom es, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Wu, 2021 ¹²⁷	2c	Arm 2	After telehealth- delivered home- based prehab	Mobility, no problems	Full group	Post prehabilit ation program	66	53 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Wu, 2021 ¹²⁷	2c	Arm 1	Before telehealth- delivered home- based prehab	Usual activities, no problems	Full group	Before prehabilit ation program	66	52 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Wu, 2021 ¹²⁷	2c	Arm 2	After telehealth- delivered home- based prehab	Usual activities, no problems	Full group	Post prehabilit ation program	66	58 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Wu, 2021 ¹²⁷	2c	Arm 1	Before telehealth- delivered home- based prehab	Self care, no problems	Full group	Before prehabilit ation program	66	60 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Wu, 2021 ¹²⁷	2c	Arm 2	After telehealth- delivered home- based prehab	Self care, no problems	Full group	Post prehabilit ation program	66	62 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Wu, 2021 ¹²⁷	2c	Arm 1	Before telehealth- delivered home- based prehab	Pain/Discomfor t, no problems	Full group	Before prehabilit ation program	66	31 (NR)	NR	NR	No

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Particip ants With Outcom es, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Wu, 2021 ¹²⁷	2c	Arm 2	After telehealth- delivered home- based prehab	Pain/Discomfor t, no problems	Full group	Post prehabilit ation program	66	40 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Wu, 2021 ¹²⁷	2c	Arm 1	Before telehealth- delivered home- based prehab	Anxiety/Depres sion, no problems	Full group	Before prehabilit ation program	66	35 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Wu, 2021 ¹²⁷	2c	Arm 2	After telehealth- delivered home- based prehab	Anxiety/Depres sion, no problems	Full group	Post prehabilit ation program	66	36 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Wu, 2021 ¹²⁷	2c	Arm 1	Before telehealth- delivered home- based prehab	Mobility, some problems	Full group	Before prehabilit ation program	66	22 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Wu, 2021 ¹²⁷	2c	Arm 2	After telehealth- delivered home- based prehab	Mobility, some problems	Full group	Post prehabilit ation program	66	13 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Wu, 2021 ¹²⁷	2c	Arm 1	Before telehealth- delivered home- based prehab	Mobility, extreme problems	Full group	Before prehabilit ation program	66	0 (NR)	NR	NR	No

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Particip ants With Outcom es, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Wu, 2021 ¹²⁷	2c	Arm 2	After telehealth- delivered home- based prehab	Mobility, extreme problems	Full group	Post prehabilit ation program	66	0 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Wu, 2021 ¹²⁷	2c	Arm 1	Before telehealth- delivered home- based prehab	Usual activities, some problems	Full group	Before prehabilit ation program	66	13 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Wu, 2021 ¹²⁷	2c	Arm 2	After telehealth- delivered home- based prehab	Usual activities, some problems	Full group	Post prehabilit ation program	66	8 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Wu, 2021 ¹²⁷	2c	Arm 1	Before telehealth- delivered home- based prehab	Usual activities, extreme problems	Full group	Before prehabilit ation program	66	1 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Wu, 2021 ¹²⁷	2c	Arm 2	After telehealth- delivered home- based prehab	Usual activities, extreme problems	Full group	Post prehabilit ation program	66	0 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Wu, 2021 ¹²⁷	2c	Arm 1	Before telehealth- delivered home- based prehab	Self care, some problems	Full group	Before prehabilit ation program	66	5 (NR)	NR	NR	No

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Particip ants With Outcom es, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Wu, 2021 ¹²⁷	2c	Arm 2	After telehealth- delivered home- based prehab	Self care, some problems	Full group	Post prehabilit ation program	66	4 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Wu, 2021 ¹²⁷	2c	Arm 1	Before telehealth- delivered home- based prehab	Self care, extreme problems	Full group	Before prehabilit ation program	66	1 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Wu, 2021 ¹²⁷	2c	Arm 2	After telehealth- delivered home- based prehab	Self care, extreme problems	Full group	Post prehabilit ation program	66	0 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Wu, 2021 ¹²⁷	2c	Arm 1	Before telehealth- delivered home- based prehab	Pain/Discomfor t, some problems	Full group	Before prehabilit ation program	66	33 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Wu, 2021 ¹²⁷	2c	Arm 2	After telehealth- delivered home- based prehab	Pain/Discomfor t, some problems	Full group	Post prehabilit ation program	66	24 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Wu, 2021 ¹²⁷	2c	Arm 1	Before telehealth- delivered home- based prehab	Pain/Discomfor t, extreme problems	Full group	Before prehabilit ation program	66	2 (NR)	NR	NR	No

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Particip ants With Outcom es, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Wu, 2021 ¹²⁷	2c	Arm 2	After telehealth- delivered home- based prehab	Pain/Discomfor t, extreme problems	Full group	Post prehabilit ation program	66	2 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Wu, 2021 ¹²⁷	2c	Arm 1	Before telehealth- delivered home- based prehab	Anxiety/Depres sion, some problems	Full group	Before prehabilit ation program	66	29 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Wu, 2021 ¹²⁷	2c	Arm 2	After telehealth- delivered home- based prehab	Anxiety/Depres sion, some problems	Full group	Post prehabilit ation program	66	26 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Wu, 2021 ¹²⁷	2c	Arm 1	Before telehealth- delivered home- based prehab	Anxiety/Depres sion, extreme problems	Full group	Before prehabilit ation program	66	2 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Wu, 2021 ¹²⁷	2c	Arm 2	After telehealth- delivered home- based prehab	Anxiety/Depres sion, extreme problems	Full group	Post prehabilit ation program	66	4 (NR)	NR	NR	No

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Particip ants With Outcom es, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Albornoz- Cabello, 2021 ¹⁷	5	Arm 1	Control (telematic s)	Neuropathic pain in four questions (DN4)	Full group	4 weeks	Baseline: 27 Followup: 27	Score Baselin e Mean: 3.8 (SD 1.9) Followu p Mean: 4 (SD 1.9)	Mean change from baseline: 0.2 (95% Cl: 0.1 to 0.4), p=NS	Ref	No
Albornoz- Cabello, 2021 ¹⁷	5	Arm 2	TPE (telematic + telephone advice)	Neuropathic pain in four questions (DN4)	Full group	4 weeks	Baseline: 27 Followup: 27	Score Baselin e Mean: 3.8 (SD 1.3) Followu p Mean: 1.9 (SD 1.1)	Mean change from baseline: 1.9 (95% Cl: 1.3 to 2.3), p≤0.001	Ref: Arm1 (control) Mean change from baseline: 2.1 (95% Cl: 1.1 to 2.9), p≤0.001	No

1a=general medical care, adults; 1b=general medical care, children; 1c=general medical care, all ages; 2a=specialized care, COVID-19; 2b=specialized care, pregnany/prenatal/gynecological; 2c=specialized care, other; 3=surgical care; 4=general behavioural; 5=physical rehabilitation; CI=confidence interval; IQR=interquartile range; N=sample size; NR=not reported; NS=non-significant; OR=odds ratio; p=p-value; PCS=Pain Catastrophizing Scale; RCRSP= Registered Collegiate Recreational Sports Professional; Ref=reference; SD=standard deviation; VAS=Visual Analogue Scale

2) Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participa nts With Outcome s, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Aiken, 2021 ¹⁴	2b	Arm 1	Individuals receiving medical abortion following in- person visit	Successful Medical Abortion	full group	59 days	22158	21769 (0.982)	NR	Ref	patient age, race/ethnicity, gestational age, parity and prior abortions using logistic regression and weighted risk differences.
Aiken, 2021 ¹⁴	2b	Arm 2	Individuals receiving medical abortion following telemedicin e/hybrid visit	Successful Medical Abortion	full group	85 days	29984	29618 (0.988)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Covariate adjusted test of differenc e or proportio ns: NR, p=1	patient age, race/ethnicity, gestational age, parity and prior abortions using logistic regression and weighted risk differences.
Arias, 2022 ¹⁹	2b	Arm 1	Pre- telehealth implementa tion	Any breastfeeding at postpartum visit	full group	NR	780	420 (75.3)	NR	Ref	No
Arias, 2022 ¹⁹	2b	Arm 2	Post- telehealth implementa tion	Any breastfeeding at postpartum visit	full group	NR	799	473 (72.3)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 0.09 (95% CI: 0.68 to 1.18), p=0.25	No

 Table D.6.5. Clinical outcome (condition specific) results of studies comparing in-person versus telehealth interventions (Key Question

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Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participa nts With Outcome s, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Barequet, 2021 ²⁰	2c	Full group	Full sample	Diagnostic accuracy and reliability for detecting keratoconus patients' progression - Specificity between office and remote	Full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 204	Continuou s data Baseline: NR Followup: Specificity: 95.8 (95% CI NR)	NR	NR	No
Barequet, 2021 ²⁰	2c	Full group	Full sample	Diagnostic accuracy and reliability - Sensitivity between office and remote	Full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 204	Continuou s data Baseline: NR Followup: Sensitivty: 69.2 (95% CI NR)	NR	NR	No
Barequet, 2021 ²⁰	2c	Full group	Full sample	Diagnostic accuracy and reliability - Positive predictive value between office and remote	Full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 204	Continuou s data Baseline: NR Followup: 52.9 (95% CI NR)	NR	NR	No
Barequet, 2021 ²⁰	2c	Full group	Full sample	Diagnostic accuracy and reliability - Negative predictive value between office and remote	Full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 204	Continuou s data Baseline: NR Followup: 97.9 (95% CI NR)	NR	NR	No

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participa nts With Outcome s, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Cvietusa, 2022 ³⁹	2c	Arm 1	No asthma care	Total exacerbations	Full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 2977	Continuou s data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.013 (SE 0.003)	NR	Ref	No
Cvietusa, 2022 ³⁹	2c	Arm 2	In-person only	Total exacerbations	Full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 1792	Continuou s data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.127 (SE 0.015)	NR	Ref: Assumin g Arm1 p-value only: p=<0.001	No
Cvietusa, 2022 ³⁹	2c	Arm 3	Mixed (in- person and virtual)	Total exacerbations	Full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 1084	Continuou s data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.537 (SE 0.055)	NR	Ref: Assumin g Arm1 p-value only: p=<0.001	No
Cvietusa, 2022 ³⁹	2c	Arm 4	Virtual care only	Total exacerbations	Full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 1952	Continuou s data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.161 (SE 0.018)	NR	Ref: Assumin g Arm1 p-value only: p=<0.001	No
Cvietusa, 2022 ³⁹	2c	Arm 1	No asthma care	Exacerbations, Prednisone	Full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 2977	Continuou s data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.015 (SE 0.003)	NR	Ref	No

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participa nts With Outcome s, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Cvietusa, 2022 ³⁹	2c	Arm 2	In-person only	Exacerbations, Prednisone	Full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 1792	Continuou s data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.088 (SE 0.011)	NR	Ref: Assumin g Arm1 p-value only: p=<0.001	No
Cvietusa, 2022 ³⁹	2c	Arm 3	Mixed (in- person and virtual)	Exacerbations, Prednisone	Full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 1084	Continuou s data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.456 (SE 0.045)	NR	Ref: Assumin g Arm1 p-value only: p=<0.001	No
Cvietusa, 2022 ³⁹	2c	Arm 4	Virtual care only	Exacerbations, Prednisone	Full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 1952	Continuou s data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.183 (SE 0.019)	NR	Ref: Assumin g Arm1 p-value only: p=<0.001	No
Cvietusa, 2022 ³⁹	2c	Arm 1	No asthma care	Asthma medication ratio	Full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 2977	Continuou s data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.778 (SE 0.005)	NR	Ref	No
Cvietusa, 2022 ³⁹	2c	Arm 2	In-person only	Asthma medication ratio	Full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 1792	Continuou s data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.762 (SE 0.006)	NR	Ref: Assumin g Arm1 p-value only: p=<0.001	No

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participa nts With Outcome s, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Cvietusa, 2022 ³⁹	2c	Arm 3	Mixed (in- person and virtual)	Asthma medication ratio	Full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 1084	Continuou s data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.745 (SE 0.006)	NR	Ref: Assumin g Arm1 p-value only: p=<0.001	No
Cvietusa, 2022 ³⁹	2c	Arm 4	Virtual care only	Asthma medication ratio	Full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 1952	Continuou s data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.743 (SE 0.005)	NR	Ref: Assumin g Arm1 p-value only: p=<0.001	No
Fredwall, 2021 ⁴⁹	2c	Arm 1	Patients seen in- person at Epilepsy Clinic	In remission or had improvements, 1 month	full group	1 month	101	NR (0.7)	NR	NR	No
Fredwall, 2021 ⁴⁹	2c	Arm 2	Patients seen by telemedicin e at Epilepsy Clinic	In remission or had improvements, 1 month	full group	1 month	16	14 (0.88)	NR	NR	No
Fredwall, 2021 ⁴⁹	2c	Arm 1	Patients seen in- person at Epilepsy Clinic	In remission or had improvements, 3 month	full group	3 months	101	NR (0.75)	NR	NR	No
Fredwall, 2021 ⁴⁹	2c	Arm 2	Patients seen by telemedicin e at Epilepsy Clinic	In remission or had improvements, 3 month	full group	3 months	16	14 (0.88)	NR	NR	No
Mair, 2021 ⁸⁰	2c	Arm 1	Pre-COVID (2019)	Disease in remission	Full group	NR	210	162 (77.1)	NR	Ref	NR

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participa nts With Outcome s, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Mair, 2021 ⁸⁰	2c	Arm 2	Telerheum	Disease in remission	Full group	NR	340	291 (85.6)	NR	Ref: Arm1 Differenc e in proportio n: 0.08 (95% CI: 0.02 to 0.15), p=Signifi cant	NR
Minsky, 2021 ⁹⁰	2c	Arm 1	Not using telemedicin e	Likely to lose weight	full group	NR	228	NR	NR	Ref	Gender, age, baseline weight, treatment, exercise level, mood, dietary score
Minsky, 2021 ⁹⁰	2c	Arm 2	Using telemedicin e	Likely to lose weight	full group	NR	51	NR	NR	Ref: Arm1 Odds ratio: 2.79 (95% CI: 1.04 to 7.48), p=0.042	Gender, age, baseline weight, treatment, exercise level, mood, dietary score
Tchang, 2022 ¹²²	2c	Arm 1	In-person	≥5% weight loss	Full group	6 months	69	32 (46.4)	NR	Ref	No
Tchang, 2022 ¹²²	2c	Arm 2	Hybrid	≥5% weight loss	Full group	6 months	85	47 (55.3)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.26	No
Tchang, 2022 ¹²²	2c	Arm 3	Video	≥5% weight loss	Full group	6 months	91	54 (59.3)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.26	No

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participa nts With Outcome s, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Tchang, 2022 ¹²²	2c	Arm 1	In-person	≥10% weight loss	Full group	6 months	69	12 (17.4)	NR	Ref	No
Tchang, 2022 ¹²²	2c	Arm 2	Hybrid	≥10% weight loss	Full group	6 months	85	14 (16.5)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.61	No
Tchang, 2022 ¹²²	2c	Arm 3	Video	≥10% weight loss	Full group	6 months	91	20 (22)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.61	No
Tchang, 2022 ¹²²	2c	Arm 1	In-person	Weight	Full group	6 months	Baseline: 69 Followup: 69	Continuou s data Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Median change from baseline: - 4.3 (IQR - 8.5,-1.5)	Ref	No
Tchang, 2022 ¹²²	2c	Arm 2	Hybrid	Weight	Full group	6 months	Baseline: 85 Followup: 85	Continuou s data Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Median change from baseline: - 5.6 (IQR - 8.7,-2.2)	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.41	No
Tchang, 2022 ¹²²	2c	Arm 3	Video	Weight	Full group	6 months	Baseline: 91 Followup: 91	Continuou s data Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Median change from baseline: - 5.8 (IQR - 9.7,-2.4)	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.41	No
Tchang, 2022 ¹²²	2c	Arm 1	In-person	BMI	Full group	6 months	Baseline: 69 Followup: 69	Continuou s data Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Median change from baseline: - 1.4 (IQR - 3.2,-0.6)	Ref	No

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participa nts With Outcome s, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Tchang, 2022 ¹²²	2c	Arm 2	Hybrid	BMI	Full group	6 months	Baseline: 85 Followup: 85	Continuou s data Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Median change from baseline: - 2 (IQR - 3.3,-0.8)	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.58	No
Tchang, 2022 ¹²²	2c	Arm 3	Video	BMI	Full group	6 months	Baseline: 91 Followup: 91	Continuou s data Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Median change from baseline: - 2.1 (IQR - 2.1,-3.6)	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.58	No
Ye, 2022 ¹²⁸	2c	Arm 1	In-person	Not Meeting the Controlling High Blood Pressure quality measure (all hypertension patients)	Full group	NR	20745	NR	NR	Ref	No
Ye, 2022 ¹²⁸	2c	Arm 2	1 telemedicin e visit	Not Meeting the Controlling High Blood Pressure quality measure (all hypertension patients)	Full group	NR	6878	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 2.06 (95% CI: 1.94 to 2.18), p=<0.001	No
Ye, 2022 ¹²⁸	2c	Arm 3	2 or more telemedicin e visits	Not Meeting the Controlling High Blood Pressure quality measure (all hypertension patients)	Full group	NR	5104	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 2.49 (95% CI: 2.31 to 2.68), p=<0.001	No

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participa nts With Outcome s, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Ye, 2022 ¹²⁸	2c	Arm 1	In-person, with at least 1 BP measure	Not Meeting the Controlling High Blood Pressure quality measure (Patients with at least 1 recorded BP)	Full group	NR	20259	NR	NR	Ref	No
Ye, 2022 ¹²⁸	2c	Arm 2	1 telemedicin e visit, with at least 1 BP measure	Not Meeting the Controlling High Blood Pressure quality measure (Patients with at least 1 recorded BP)	Full group	NR	5015	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 0.89 (95% Cl: 0.83 to 0.95), p=0.001	No
Ye, 2022 ¹²⁸	2c	Arm 3	2 or more telemedicin e visits, with at least 1 BP measure	Not Meeting the Controlling High Blood Pressure quality measure (Patients with at least 1 recorded BP)	Full group	NR	3825	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 0.91 (95% CI: 0.83 to 0.99), p=0.03	No
Boles, 2022 ²³	3	Arm 1	In-person	Intraoperative blood loss (ml)	Full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 66	Continuou s data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 35.5 (SD 56.7)	NR	Ref	No

Author, Year	Category		Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participa nts With Outcome s, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Boles, 2022 ²³	3	Arm 2	Telemedici ne (not specified)	Intraoperative blood loss (ml)	Full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 28	Continuou s data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 19.4 (SD 26.4)	NR	Ref: Assumin g Arm1 p-value only: p=0.06	No
Boles, 2022 ²³	3	Arm 1	In-person	Surgical duration (min)	Full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 66	Continuou s data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 105.6 (SD 47.5)	NR	Ref	No
Boles, 2022 ²³	3	Arm 2	Telemedici ne (not specified)	Surgical duration (min)	Full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 28	Continuou s data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 104.1 (SD 38.7)	NR	Ref: Assumin g Arm1 p-value only: p=0.68	No
Boles, 2022 ²³	3	Arm 1	In-person	Length of stay (days)	Full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 66	Continuou s data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.2 (SD 1.9)	NR	Ref	No
Boles, 2022 ²³	3	Arm 2	Telemedici ne (not specified)	Length of stay (days)	Full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 28	Continuou s data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.3 (SD 2.1)	NR	Ref: Assumin g Arm1 p-value only: p=0.93	No

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participa nts With Outcome s, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Levinson, 2021 ⁷²	4	Arm 1	In-person	Body Mass Index	Full group	Mean stay: 11.32 weeks Discharg e	Baseline: 60 Followup: 60	Continuou s data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 24.78 (SD 7.63)	NR	Ref	No
Levinson, 2021 ⁷²	4	Arm 2	Telehealth (Zoom)	Body Mass Index	Full group	Mean stay: 11.32 weeks Discharg e	Baseline: 33 Followup: 33	Continuou s data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 26.26 (SD 10.39)	NR	Ref: p-value only: p=NS	No

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Author, Year	Cate - gory	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Com- pariso n	Betwee n Arm Com- parison	Adjuste d
Malliaras, 2020 ⁸¹	1a	Arm 1	Advice only	Success on Global Rating of Change (GROC)	Full group	12 weeks	11	NR (39.7)	NR	NR	No
Malliaras, 2020 ⁸¹	1a	Arm 2	Recommended care	Success on Global Rating of Change (GROC)	Full group	12 weeks	12	NR (50.1)	NR	NR	No
Malliaras, 2020 ⁸¹	1a	Arm 3	Recommended and telerehabilitatio n	Success on Global Rating of Change (GROC)	Full group	12 weeks	12	NR (75)	NR	NR	No
Reynolds-Wright, 2021 ¹⁰³	2b	Full group	Full group	Complete abortion	full group	99 days	663	650 (98)	NR	NR	No

 Table D.6.6. Clinical outcome (condition specific) results of non-comparison studies (Key Question 2)

1a=general medical care, adults; 2b=specialized care, pregnany/prenatal/gynecological; N=sample size; NR=not reported

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n(%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 341	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.65 (SD 1.56)	NR	Ref	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 151	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.06 (SD 1.21)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=<0.01	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Medicatio n related problem: Unnecess ary drug therapy (per encounter)	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 341	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.07 (SD 0.27)	NR	Ref	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Medicatio n related problem: Unnecess ary drug therapy (per encounter)	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 151	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.07 (SD 0.25)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.307	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Medicatio n related problem: Dose too low (per encounter)	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 341	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.29 (SD 0.52)	NR	Ref	No

Table D.6.7. Clinical outcome (adverse events) results of studies comparing in-person versus telehealth interventions (Key Question 2)

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n(%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Medicatio n related problem: Dose too low (per encounter)	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 151	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.27 (SD 0.53)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.596	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Medicatio n related problem: adverse drug event (per encounter)	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 341	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.05 (SD 0.45)	NR	Ref	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Medicatio n related problem: adverse drug event (per encounter)	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 151	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.12 (SD 0.34)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.496	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Medicatio n related problem: Drug interaction (per encounter)	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 341	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0 (SD 0)	NR	Ref	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Medicatio n related problem: Drug interaction (per encounter)	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 151	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.01 (SD 0.08)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=1	No

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McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Medicatio n related problem: Dose too high (per encounter)	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 341	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.09 (SD 0.29)	NR	Ref	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Medicatio n related problem: Dose too high (per encounter)	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 151	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.02 (SD 0.15)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.721	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Medicatio n related problem: Lab monitoring needed (per encounter)	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 341	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.6 (SD 1.12)	NR	Ref	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Medicatio n related problem: Lab monitoring needed (per encounter)	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 151	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.33 (SD 0.95)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.123	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Medicatio n related problem: Home monitoring needed (per encounter)	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 341	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.07 (SD 0.27)	NR	Ref	No

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McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Medicatio n related problem: Home monitoring needed (per encounter)	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 151	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.08 (SD 0.29)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.64	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Age <65, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Age	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 198	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.81 (SD 1.58)	NR	Ref	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Age <65, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Age	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 104	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.97 (SD 1.18)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=<0.01	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Age >=65, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Age	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 166	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.46 (SD 1.52)	NR	Ref	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Age >=65, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Age	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 69	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.22 (SD 1.24)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.24	No

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McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Race White, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Race	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 56	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.38 (SD 1.7)	NR	Ref	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Race White, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Race	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 12	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.25 (SD 1.76)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.82	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Race Black, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Race	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 62	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.96 (SD 1.54)	NR	Ref	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Race Black, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Race	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 25	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.72 (SD 0.89)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=<0.01	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Race Hispanic, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Race	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 66	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.69 (SD 1.61)	NR	Ref	No

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McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Race Hispanic, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Race	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 63	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.11 (SD 1.15)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.02	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Race Asian, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Race	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 166	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.58 (SD 0.5)	NR	Ref	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Race Asian, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Race	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 67	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.11 (SD 1.29)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.03	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Race American Indian, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Race	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 5	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.6 (SD 1.52)	NR	Ref	Νο

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McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Race American Indian, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Race	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 2	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.5 (SD 0.71)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.39	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Race Native Hawaiian, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Race	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 3	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 2.67 (SD 2.07)	NR	Ref	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Race Native Hawaiian, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Race	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 3	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.67 (SD 0.58)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.47	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Race: Other, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Race	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 6	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 2 (SD 1.55)	NR	Ref	No

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McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Race: Other, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Race	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 1	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1 (SD NA)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=NA	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Gender Female, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Gender	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 179	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.69 (SD 1.62)	NR	Ref	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Gender Female, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Gender	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 94	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.98 (SD 1.05)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=<0.01	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Gender Male, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Gender	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 184	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.63 (SD 1.5)	NR	Ref	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Gender Male, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Gender	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 76	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.13 (SD 1.27)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.01	No

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McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Gender Male to female transition, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Gender	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 1	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0 (SD 0)	NR	Ref	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Gender Male to female transition, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Gender	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 1	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0 (SD 0)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=NA	Νο
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Gender: other, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Gender	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 0	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: NA (SD NA)	NR	Ref	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Gender: other, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Gender	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 2	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 3.5 (SD 3.54)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=NA	No

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McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Comorbidi ties: BP goals <140/90, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 268	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.51 (SD 1.47)	NR	Ref	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Comorbidi ties: BP goals <140/90, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 115	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.17 (SD 1.31)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.03	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Comorbidi ties: BP goals >=140/90, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 91	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 2.1 (SD 1.78)	NR	Ref	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Comorbidi ties: BP goals >=140/90, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 51	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.86 (SD 0.94)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=<0.01	No

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McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Comorbidi ties: BP goals <130/80, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 167	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.6 (SD 1.47)	NR	Ref	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Comorbidi ties: BP goals <130/80, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 71	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.15 (SD 1.35)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.03	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Comorbidi ties: BP goals >=130/80, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 192	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.71 (SD 1.65)	NR	Ref	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Comorbidi ties: BP goals >=130/80, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 95	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.01 (SD 1.1)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=<0.01	No

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McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Comorbidi ties: A1c goals <8%, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 202	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.41 (SD 1.49)	NR	Ref	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Comorbidi ties: A1c goals <8%, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 62	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.9 (SD 1.39)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.02	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Comorbidi ties: A1c goals >=8%, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 139	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 2.1 (SD 1.61)	NR	Ref	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Comorbidi ties: A1c goals >=8%, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 91	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.29 (SD 1.11)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=<0.01	No

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McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Comorbidi ties: A1c goals <7%, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 137	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.18 (SD 1.34)	NR	Ref	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Comorbidi ties: A1c goals <7%, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 26	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.62 (SD 1.24)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.37	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Comorbidi ties: A1c goals >=7%, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 204	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 2.03 (SD 1.62)	NR	Ref	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Comorbidi ties: A1c goals >=7%, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 127	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.24 (SD 1.22)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=<0.01	No

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McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Comorbidi ties: no diabetes, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 100	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.07 (SD 1.24)	NR	Ref	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Comorbidi ties: no diabetes, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 21	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.67 (SD 1.28)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.92	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Comorbidi ties: Uncomplic ated diabetes, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 130	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.65 (SD 1.6)	NR	Ref	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Comorbidi ties: Uncomplic ated diabetes, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 81	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.14 (SD 1.33)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.02	No

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McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Comorbidi ties: End- organ damage, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 134	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 2.09 (SD 1.61)	NR	Ref	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Comorbidi ties: End- organ damage, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 71	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.11 (SD 1.02)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=<0.01	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Comorbidi ties: no liver disease, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 294	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.7 (SD 1.58)	NR	Ref	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Comorbidi ties: no liver disease, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 138	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.05 (SD 1.22)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=<0.01	No

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n(%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Comorbidi ties: mild liver disease, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 64	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.48 (SD 1.55)	NR	Ref	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Comorbidi ties: mild liver disease, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 33	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.18 (SD 1.21)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.33	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Comorbidi ties: moderate to severe liver disease, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 6	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.67 (SD 0.75)	NR	Ref	No

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McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Comorbidi ties: moderate to severe liver disease, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 2	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.5 (SD 0.71)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.32	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Comorbidi ties: no solid tumor, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 341	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.65 (SD 1.56)	NR	Ref	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Comorbidi ties: no solid tumor, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 151	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.06 (SD 1.21)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=<0.01	No

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n(%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Comorbidi ties: localized solid tumor, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 22	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.59 (SD 1.76)	NR	Ref	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Comorbidi ties: localized solid tumor, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 20	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.2 (SD 1.28)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.42	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Comorbidi ties: metastatic solid tumor, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 1	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 2 (SD NA)	NR	Ref	No

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McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Comorbidi ties: metastatic solid tumor, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 2	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.5 (SD 0.71)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=NA	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Comorbidi ties: No CKD, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 203	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.49 (SD 1.5)	NR	Ref	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Comorbidi ties: No CKD, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 108	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.09 (SD 1.33)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.02	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Comorbidi ties: Stage 1-3 CKD, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 144	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.8 (SD 1.63)	NR	Ref	No

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n(%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Comorbidi ties: Stage 1-3 CKD, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 53	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.11 (SD 1.01)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=<0.01	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Comorbidi ties: Stage 4-5 CKD, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 12	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 2.92 (SD 1.38)	NR	Ref	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Comorbidi ties: Stage 4-5 CKD, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 8	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.75 (SD 0.71)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=<0.01	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Comorbidi ties: Dialysis, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 5	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.8 (SD 0.84)	NR	Ref	No

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n(%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Comorbidi ties: Dialysis, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 4	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.5 (SD 0.58)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.56	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Comorbidi ties: No acquired immunode ficiency syndrom, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 364	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.7 (SD 1.56)	NR	Ref	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Comorbidi ties: No acquired immunode ficiency syndrom, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 173	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.07 (SD 1.2)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=<0.01	No

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n(%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Comorbidi ties: Acquired immunode ficiency syndrom, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 0	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0 (SD NA)	NR	Ref	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Comorbidi ties: Acquired immunode ficiency syndrom, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 0	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0 (SD NA)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=NA	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Comorbidi ties: No congestive heart failure, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 335	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.69 (SD 1.57)	NR	Ref	No

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McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Comorbidi ties: No congestive heart failure, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 168	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.08 (SD 1.22)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=<0.01	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Comorbidi ties: Congestiv e heart failure, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 29	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.24 (SD 1.98)	NR	Ref	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Comorbidi ties: Congestiv e heart failure, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 5	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.8 (SD 0.73)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.52	No

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McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Comorbidi ties: No myocardia I infarction, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 330	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.61 (SD 1.51)	NR	Ref	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Comorbidi ties: No myocardia l infarction, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 164	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.1 (SD 1.22)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=<0.01	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Comorbidi ties: Myocardia I infarction, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 34	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 2.09 (SD 1.98)	NR	Ref	No

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McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Comorbidi ties: Myocardia I infarction, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 9	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.56 (SD 0.73)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.03	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Comorbidi ties: No COPD, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 337	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.68 (SD 1.53)	NR	Ref	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Comorbidi ties: No COPD, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 168	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.07 (SD 1.2)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=<0.01	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Comorbidi ties: COPD, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 27	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.33 (SD 1.98)	NR	Ref	No

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McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Comorbidi ties: COPD, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 5	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.2 (SD 1.64)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.89	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Comorbidi ties: No peripheral vascular disease, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 342	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.67 (SD 1.57)	NR	Ref	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Comorbidi ties: No peripheral vascular disease, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 160	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.09 (SD 1.16)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=<0.01	No

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McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Comorbidi ties: Peripheral vascular disease, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 22	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.41 (SD 1.44)	NR	Ref	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Comorbidi ties: Peripheral vascular disease, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 13	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.77 (SD 1.69)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.24	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Comorbidi ties: No cerebrova scular accident/tr ansient ischemic attack, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 328	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.64 (SD 1.57)	NR	Ref	No

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n(%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Comorbidi ties: No cerebrova scular accident/tr ansient ischemic attack, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 163	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.1 (SD 1.23)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=<0.01	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Comorbidi ties: Cerebrova scular accident/tr ansient ischemic attack, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 36	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.75 (SD 1.57)	NR	Ref	No

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McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Comorbidi ties: Cerebrova scular accident/tr ansient ischemic attack, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 10	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.5 (SD 0.71)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.02	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Comorbidi ties: No dementia, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 352	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.66 (SD 1.57)	NR	Ref	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Comorbidi ties: No dementia, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 171	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.08 (SD 1.21)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=<0.01	No

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McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Comorbidi ties: Dementia, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 12	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.33 (SD 1.5)	NR	Ref	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Comorbidi ties: Dementia, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 2	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.5 (SD 0.71)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.47	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Comorbidi ties: No hemiplegi a, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 355	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.64 (SD 1.55)	NR	Ref	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Comorbidi ties: No hemiplegi a, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 172	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.06 (SD 1.2)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=<0.01	No

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McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Comorbidi ties: Hemiplegi a, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 9	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 2.22 (SD 1.92)	NR	Ref	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Comorbidi ties: Hemiplegi a, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 1	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 3 (SD NA)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=NA	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Comorbidi ties: No connective tissue disorder, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 294	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.7 (SD 1.55)	NR	Ref	No

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McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Comorbidi ties: No connective tissue disorder, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 141	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.08 (SD 1.27)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=<0.01	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Comorbidi ties: Connectiv e tissue disorder, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 70	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.45 (SD 1.61)	NR	Ref	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Comorbidi ties: Connectiv e tissue disorder, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 32	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.03 (SD 0.93)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.17	No

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McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Comorbidi ties: No leukemia, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 364	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.7 (SD 1.56)	NR	Ref	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Comorbidi ties: No leukemia, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 173	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.07 (SD 1.2)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=<0.01	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Comorbidi ties: Leukemia, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 0	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0 (SD NA)	NR	Ref	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Comorbidi ties: Leukemia, Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 0	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0 (SD NA)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=NA	No

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McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Comorbidi ties: No malignant lymphoma , Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 363	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.64 (SD 1.55)	NR	Ref	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Comorbidi ties: No malignant lymphoma , Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 171	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.08 (SD 1.21)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=<0.01	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Comorbidi ties: Malignant lymphoma , Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 1	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 6 (SD NA)	NR	Ref	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Comorbidi ties: Malignant lymphoma , Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 2	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.5 (SD 0.5)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=NA	No

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McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Comorbidi ties: No malignant lymphoma , Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 362	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.64 (SD 1.55)	NR	Ref	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Comorbidi ties: No malignant lymphoma , Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 171	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.08 (SD 1.21)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=<0.01	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Comorbidi ties: Malignant lymphoma , Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 2	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 4.5 (SD 2.12)	NR	Ref	No
McNama ra, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Comorbidi ties: Malignant lymphoma , Average medicatio n related problems per encounter	Comorbi dities	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 2	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0 (SD 0)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.1	Νο

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Aiken, 2021 ¹⁴	2b	Arm 1	Individuals receiving medical abortion following in-person visit	Adverse Effect: Major Surgery	full group	59 days	22158	0 (0)	NR	Ref	patient age, race/ethni city, gestationa I age, parity and prior abortions using logistic regression and weighted risk difference s.
Aiken, 2021 ¹⁴	2b	Arm 2	Individuals receiving medical abortion following telemedici ne/hybrid visit	Adverse Effect: Major Surgery	full group	85 days	29984	0 (0)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Covariate adjusted test of difference or proportions: NR, p=NR	patient age, race/ethni city, gestationa I age, parity and prior abortions using logistic regression and weighted risk difference s.

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Aiken, 2021 ¹⁴	2b	Arm 1	Individuals receiving medical abortion following in-person visit	Adverse Effect: Hemorrha ge requiring transfusio n	Full group	59 days	22158	8 (0.0004)	NR	Ref	patient age, race/ethni city, gestationa I age, parity and prior abortions using logistic regression and weighted risk difference s.
Aiken, 2021 ¹⁴	2b	Arm 2	Individuals receiving medical abortion following telemedici ne/hybrid visit	Adverse Effect: Hemorrha ge requiring transfusio n	full group	85 days	29984	7 (0.0002)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Covariate adjusted test of difference or proportions: NR, p=0.557	patient age, race/ethni city, gestationa I age, parity and prior abortions using logistic regression and weighted risk difference s.

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Aiken, 2021 ¹⁴	2b	Arm 1	Individuals receiving medical abortion following in-person visit	Adverse Effect: Infection requiring hospital admission	full group	59 days	22158	0 (0)	NR	Ref	patient age, race/ethni city, gestationa I age, parity and prior abortions using logistic regression and weighted risk difference s.
Aiken, 2021 ¹⁴	2b	Arm 2	Individuals receiving medical abortion following telemedici ne/hybrid visit	Adverse Effect: Infection requiring hospital admission	full group	85 days	29984	0 (0)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Covariate adjusted test of difference or proportions: NR, p=NR	patient age, race/ethni city, gestationa I age, parity and prior abortions using logistic regression and weighted risk difference s.

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Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 1	Pregnant individuals who received in-person pre-natal care	Arterial Blood Gas pH <7.0	full group	183 Days	6559	22 (0.004)	NR	Ref	BMI at delivery, race
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Arterial Blood Gas pH <7.0	full group	183 Days	6048	17 (0.003)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Relative risk: 0.82 (95% Cl: 0.44 to 1.55, p=0.64	BMI at delivery, race
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Arterial Blood Gas pH <7.0	0 audio prenatal visits	183 Days	1981	7 (0.0004)	NR	Ref	No
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Arterial Blood Gas pH <7.0	1 audio prenatal visits	183 Days	1612	4 (0.0003)	NR	Ref	No

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Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Arterial Blood Gas pH <7.0	2 audio prenatal visits	183 Days	1239	2 (0.0002)	NR	Ref	No
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Arterial Blood Gas pH <7.0	≥3 audio prenatal visits	183 Days	1216	4 (0.0004)	NR	Ref: Arm 2, Entire Subgroup Mantel- Haenszel Trend: NR, p=0.56	No
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 1	Pregnant individuals who received in-person pre-natal care	Hysterecto my	full group	183 Days	6559	26 (0.004)	NR	Ref	BMI at delivery, race
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Hysterecto my	full group	183 Days	6048	13 (0.002)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Relative risk: 0.53 (95% CI: 0.27 to 1.04, p=0.07	BMI at delivery, race

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Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Hysterecto my	0 audio prenatal visits	183 Days	1981	2 (0.001)	NR	Ref	Νο
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Hysterecto my	1 audio prenatal visits	183 Days	1612	4 (0.002)	NR	Ref	No
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Hysterecto my	2 audio prenatal visits	183 Days	1239	3 (0.002)	NR	Ref	Νο
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Hysterecto my	≥3 audio prenatal visits	183 Days	1216	4 (0.003)	NR	Ref: Arm 2, Entire Subgroup Mantel- Haenszel Trend: NR, p=0.37	No

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Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Major malformati on	0 audio prenatal visits/All delivere d infants	183 Days	2020	43 (0.021)	NR	Ref	Νο
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Major malformati on	1 audio prenatal visits/All delivere d infants	183 Days	1633	40 (0.024)	NR	Ref	Νο
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Major malformati on	2 audio prenatal visits/All delivere d infants	183 Days	1252	20 (0.016)	NR	Ref	Νο
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Major malformati on	≥3 audio prenatal visits/All delivere d infants	183 Days	1235	10 (0.01)	NR	Ref: Arm 2, Entire Subgroup Mantel- Haenszel Trend: NR, p=0.09	No

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Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 1	Pregnant individuals who received in-person pre-natal care	Need for Transfusio n	full group	183 Days	6559	279 (0.043)	NR	Ref	BMI at delivery, race
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Need for Transfusio n	full group	183 Days	6048	216 (0.036)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Relative risk: 0.84 (95% Cl: 0.7 to 0.99, p=0.049	BMI at delivery, race
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Need for Transfusio n	0 audio prenatal visits	183 Days	1981	90 (0.045)	NR	Ref	No
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Need for Transfusio n	1 audio prenatal visits	183 Days	1612	49 (0.03)	NR	Ref	No

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Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Need for Transfusio n	2 audio prenatal visits	183 Days	1239	40 (0.032)	NR	Ref	No
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Need for Transfusio n	≥3 audio prenatal visits	183 Days	1216	37 (0.03)	NR	Ref: Arm 2, Entire Subgroup Mantel- Haenszel Trend: NR, p=0.005	No
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 1	Pregnant individuals who received in-person pre-natal care	Placental Abruption	full group	183 Days	6559	56 (0.009)	NR	Ref	BMI at delivery, race
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Placental Abruption	full group	183 Days	6048	40 (0.007)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Relative risk: 0.76 (95% CI: 0.51 to 1.14, p=0.21	BMI at delivery, race

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Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Placental Abruption	0 audio prenatal visits	183 Days	1981	19 (0.01)	NR	Ref	No
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Placental Abruption	1 audio prenatal visits	183 Days	1612	13 (0.0008)	NR	Ref	No
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Placental Abruption	2 audio prenatal visits	183 Days	1239	5 (0.0004)	NR	Ref	No
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Placental Abruption	≥3 audio prenatal visits	183 Days	1216	3 (0.0002)	NR	Ref: Arm 2, Entire Subgroup Mantel- Haenszel Trend: NR, p=0.01	No

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Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Postpartu m Hemorrha ge	0 audio prenatal visits	183 Days	1981	187 (0.094)	NR	Ref	Νο
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Postpartu m Hemorrha ge	1 audio prenatal visits	183 Days	1612	150 (0.093)	NR	Ref	No
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Postpartu m Hemorrha ge	2 audio prenatal visits	183 Days	1239	115 (0.093)	NR	Ref	Νο
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Postpartu m Hemorrha ge	≥3 audio prenatal visits	183 Days	1216	118 (0.097)	NR	Ref: Arm 2, Entire Subgroup Mantel- Haenszel Trend: NR, p=0.3	No

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Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Preeclamp sia with Severe Features	0 audio prenatal visits	183 Days	1981	235 (0.119)	NR	Ref	Νο
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Preeclamp sia with Severe Features	1 audio prenatal visits	183 Days	1612	174 (0.108)	NR	Ref	No
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Preeclamp sia with Severe Features	2 audio prenatal visits	183 Days	1239	120 (0.097)	NR	Ref	Νο
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Preeclamp sia with Severe Features	≥3 audio prenatal visits	183 Days	1216	120 (0.099)	NR	Ref: Arm 2, Entire Subgroup Mantel- Haenszel Trend: NR, p=0.31	No

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Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 1	Pregnant individuals who received in-person pre-natal care	Preterm Birth <34 weeks	full group	183 Days	6559	203 (0.031)	NR	Ref	BMI at delivery, race
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Preterm Birth <34 weeks	full group	183 Days	6048	202 (0.033)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Relative risk: 1.09 (95% Cl: 0.9 to 1.31, p=0.44	BMI at delivery, race
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Preterm Birth <34 weeks	0 audio prenatal visits	183 Days	1981	108 (0.055)	NR	Ref	No
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Preterm Birth <34 weeks	1 audio prenatal visits	183 Days	1612	49 (0.03)	NR	Ref	No

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Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Preterm Birth <34 weeks	2 audio prenatal visits	183 Days	1239	25 (0.02)	NR	Ref	No
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Preterm Birth <34 weeks	≥3 audio prenatal visits	183 Days	1216	20 (0.016)	NR	Ref: Arm 2, Entire Subgroup Mantel- Haenszel Trend: NR, p=0.003	No
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 1	Pregnant individuals who received in-person pre-natal care	Preterm Birth <37 weeks	full group	183 Days	6559	672 (0.102)	NR	Ref	BMI at delivery, race
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Preterm Birth <37 weeks	full group	183 Days	6048	593 (0.098)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Relative risk: 0.96 (95% CI: 0.86 to 1.06, p=0.41	BMI at delivery, race

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Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Preterm Birth <37 weeks	0 audio prenatal visits	183 Days	1981	259 (0.131)	NR	Ref	Νο
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Preterm Birth <37 weeks	1 audio prenatal visits	183 Days	1612	147 (0.091)	NR	Ref	No
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Preterm Birth <37 weeks	2 audio prenatal visits	183 Days	1239	88 (0.071)	NR	Ref	Νο
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Preterm Birth <37 weeks	≥3 audio prenatal visits	183 Days	1216	0 (0.081)	NR	Ref: Arm 2, Entire Subgroup Mantel- Haenszel Trend: NR, p≤.001	No

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Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 1	Pregnant individuals who received in-person pre-natal care	Shoulder Dystocia	full group	183 Days	6559	31 (0.005)	NR	Ref	BMI at delivery, race
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Shoulder Dystocia	full group	183 Days	6048	14 (0.002)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Relative risk: 0.48 (95% Cl: 0.48 to 0.91, p=0.02	BMI at delivery, race
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Shoulder Dystocia	0 audio prenatal visits	183 Days	1981	5 (0.003)	NR	Ref	No
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Shoulder Dystocia	1 audio prenatal visits	183 Days	1612	3 (0.002)	NR	Ref	Νο

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Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Shoulder Dystocia	2 audio prenatal visits	183 Days	1239	3 (0.002)	NR	Ref	Νο
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Shoulder Dystocia	≥3 audio prenatal visits	183 Days	1216	3 (0.002)	NR	Ref: Arm 2, Entire Subgroup Mantel- Haenszel Trend: NR, p=0.06	No
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 1	Pregnant individuals who received in-person pre-natal care	Still Birth	full group	183 Days	6559	40 (0.006)	NR	Ref	BMI at delivery, race
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Still Birth	full group	183 Days	6048	29 (0.005)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Relative risk: 0.8 (95% Cl: 0.5 to 1.29, p=0.32	BMI at delivery, race

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Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Still Birth	0 audio prenatal visits	183 Days	1981	17 (0.009)	NR	Ref	Νο
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Still Birth	1 audio prenatal visits	183 Days	1612	2 (0.001)	NR	Ref	No
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Still Birth	2 audio prenatal visits	183 Days	1239	5 (0.004)	NR	Ref	Νο
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Still Birth	≥3 audio prenatal visits	183 Days	1216	5 (0.004)	NR	Ref: Arm 2, Entire Subgroup Mantel- Haenszel Trend: NR, p=0.08	No

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Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Stillbirth	0 audio prenatal visits/All delivere d infants	183 Days	2020	17 (0.008)	NR	Ref	No
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Stillbirth	1 audio prenatal visits/All delivere d infants	183 Days	1633	3 (0.002)	NR	Ref	Νο
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Stillbirth	2 audio prenatal visits/All delivere d infants	183 Days	1252	5 (0.004)	NR	Ref	No
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Stillbirth	≥3 audio prenatal visits/All delivere d infants	183 Days	1235	5 (0)	NR	Ref: Arm 2, Entire Subgroup Mantel- Haenszel Trend: NR, p=0.11	No

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Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Umbilical Gas pH <7.0	0 audio prenatal visits/Liv e-born infants without major malform ations	183 Days	1960	6 (0.003)	NR	Ref	No
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Umbilical Gas pH <7.0	1 audio prenatal visits/Liv e-born infants without major malform ations	183 Days	1590	3 (0.002)	NR	Ref	No
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Umbilical Gas pH <7.0	2 audio prenatal visits/Liv e-born infants without major malform ations	183 Days	1227	2 (0.002)	NR	Ref	No
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Umbilical Gas pH <7.0	≥3 audio prenatal visits/Liv e-born infants without major malform ations	183 Days	1220	4 (0.004)	NR	Arm 2, Entire Subgroup	No

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Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 1	Pregnant individuals who received in-person pre-natal care	Gestation al Hypertensi on	full group	183 Days	6559	1320 (0.201)	NR	Ref	BMI at delivery, race
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Gestation al Hypertensi on	full group	183 Days	6048	1147 (0.19)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Relative risk: 0.93 (95% Cl: 0.86 to 0.99, p=0.1	BMI at delivery, race
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 1	Pregnant individuals who received in-person pre-natal care	Preeclamp sia with Severe Features	full group	183 Days	6559	697 (0.106)	NR	Ref	BMI at delivery, race
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Preeclamp sia with Severe Features	full group	183 Days	6048	649 (0.107)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Relative risk: 0.99 (95% Cl: 0.89 to 1.09, p=0.85	BMI at delivery, race

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Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 1	Pregnant individuals who received in-person pre-natal care	Postpartu m Hemorrha ge	full group	183 Days	6559	580 (0.088)	NR	Ref	BMI at delivery, race
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Postpartu m Hemorrha ge	full group	183 Days	6048	570 (0.094)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Relative risk: 1.04 (95% Cl: 0.93 to 1.16, p=0.26	BMI at delivery, race
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 1	Pregnant individuals who received in-person pre-natal care	Composite Outcome (Still Birth, Full-term NICU Admission , Placental Abruption, Arterial Blood Gas pH <7.0	full group	183 Days	6559	195 (0.03)	NR	Ref	BMI at delivery, race
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Composite Outcome (Still Birth, Full-term NICU Admission , Placental Abruption, Arterial Blood Gas pH <7.0	full group	183 Days	6048	173 (0.029)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Relative risk: 0.96 (95% Cl: 0.78 to 1.17, p=0.71	BMI at delivery, race

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Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Composite Outcome (Still Birth, Full-term NICU Admission , Placental Abruption, Arterial Blood Gas pH <7.0	0 audio prenatal visits	183 Days	1981	66 (0.033)	NR	Ref	No
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Composite Outcome (Still Birth, Full-term NICU Admission , Placental Abruption, Arterial Blood Gas pH <7.0	1 audio prenatal visits	183 Days	1612	47 (0.029)	NR	Ref	No
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Composite Outcome (Still Birth, Full-term NICU Admission , Placental Abruption, Arterial Blood Gas pH <7.0	2 audio prenatal visits	183 Days	1239	35 (0.028)	NR	Ref	No

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Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	2b	Arm 2	Pregnant individuals who received audio telehealth and in- person prenatal care	Composite Outcome (Still Birth, Full-term NICU Admission , Placental Abruption, Arterial Blood Gas pH <7.0	≥3 audio prenatal visits	183 Days	1216	25 (0.021)	NR	Ref: Arm 2, Entire Subgroup Mantel- Haenszel Trend: NR, p=0.15	No
Kerestes, 2021 ⁶⁵	2b	Arm 1	In person	Complicati on: Additional Misoprost ol	In person	246 days	94	1 (1.1)	NR	NR	No
Kerestes, 2021 ⁶⁵	2b	Arm 2	Telemedic ine + med pick up	Complicati on: Additional Misoprost ol	Teleme dicine + med pick up	247 days	124	1 (0.8)	NR	NR	No
Kerestes, 2021 ⁶⁵	2b	Arm 2	Telemedic ine + Mailed Medicine	Complicati on: Additional Misoprost ol	Teleme dicine + Mailed Medicin e	248 days	69	2 (2.9)	NR	NR	No
Kerestes, 2021 ⁶⁵	2b	Arm 1	In person	Complicati on: Blood Transfusio n	In person	249 days	94	0 (0)	NR	NR	No
Kerestes, 2021 ⁶⁵	2b	Arm 2	Telemedic ine + med pick up	Complicati on: Blood Transfusio n	Teleme dicine + med pick up	250 days	124	2 (1.6)	NR	NR	No
Kerestes, 2021 ⁶⁵	2b	Arm 2	Telemedic ine + Mailed Medicine	Complicati on: Blood Transfusio n	Teleme dicine + Mailed Medicin e	251 days	69	0 (0)	NR	NR	No

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Pinsker, 2021 ⁹⁷	2c	Arm 1	Individuls with diabetes receiving in-person insulin pump training	Adverse events	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 14284	Continuous Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.04 (SD 0.24)	NR	Ref	Training method, age, previous therapy, trainer type, baseline A1c
Pinsker, 2021 ⁹⁷	2c	Arm 2	Individuls with diabetes receiving virtual insulin pump training	Adverse events	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 8984	Continuous Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.03 (SD 0.2)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p=0.003	Training method, age, previous therapy, trainer type, baseline A1c
Boles, 2022 ²³	3	Arm 1	In-person	Postopera tive complicati on, any	full group	NR	66	6 (9.1)	NR	Ref	No
Boles, 2022 ²³	3	Arm 2	Telemedic ine (not specified)	Postopera tive complicati on, any	full group	NR	23	2 (7.1)	NR	Ref: Assuming Arm1 p-value only: p=1	No
Helmes, 2022 ⁵⁶	3	Arm 1	Followup in-person	Taste of blood	full group	NR	35	NR (3.3)	NR	Ref	No
Helmes, 2022 ⁵⁶	3	Arm 2	Followup by phone	Taste of blood	full group	NR	60	NR (0)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.317	No
Helmes, 2022 ⁵⁶	3	Arm 1	Followup in-person	Swelling of surgical area	full group	NR	35	NR (6.7)	NR	Ref	No
Helmes, 2022 ⁵⁶	3	Arm 2	Followup by phone	Swelling of surgical area	full group	NR	60	NR (3.3)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.557	No
Helmes, 2022 ⁵⁶	3	Arm 1	Followup in-person	Fever	full group	NR	35	NR (0)	NR	Ref	No

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Helmes, 2022 ⁵⁶	3	Arm 2	Followup by phone	Fever	full group	NR	60	NR (0)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=1	No
Helmes, 2022 ⁵⁶	3	Arm 1	Followup in-person	Chills with sweat	full group	NR	35	NR (0)	NR	Ref	No
Helmes, 2022 ⁵⁶	3	Arm 2	Followup by phone	Chills with sweat	full group	NR	60	NR (0)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=1	No
Helmes, 2022 ⁵⁶	3	Arm 1	Followup in-person	Dysphagia or difficulty breathing	full group	NR	35	NR (0)	NR	Ref	No
Helmes, 2022 ⁵⁶	3	Arm 2	Followup by phone	Dysphagia or difficulty breathing	full group	NR	60	NR (0)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=1	No
Irarrazav al, 2021 ⁶⁰	3	Arm 1	In-person	Postopera tive morbidity	full group	NR	113	9 (7.9)	NR	Ref	No
Irarrazav al, 2021 ⁶⁰	3	Arm 2	Telemedic ine	Postopera tive morbidity	full group	NR	106	6 (5.7)	NR	Ref: Assuming Arm1 p-value only: p=0.5	No
Irarrazav al, 2021 ⁶⁰	3	Arm 1	In-person	Minor complicati ons	full group	NR	113	9 (8)	NR	Ref	No
Irarrazav al, 2021 ⁶⁰	3	Arm 2	Telemedic ine	Minor complicati ons	full group	NR	106	7 (6)	NR	Ref: Assuming Arm1 p-value only: p=0.79	No
Irarrazav al, 2021 ⁶⁰	3	Arm 1	In-person	Major complicati ons	full group	NR	113	1 (0.9)	NR	Ref	No
Irarrazav al, 2021 ⁶⁰	3	Arm 2	Telemedic ine	Major complicati ons	full group	NR	106	0 (0)	NR	Ref: Assuming Arm1 p-value only: p=>0.99	No
Irarrazav al, 2021 ⁶⁰	3	Arm 1	In-person	Perioperat ive COVID-19 infection	full group	NR	113	6 (5.3)	NR	Ref	No

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Irarrazav al, 2021 ⁶⁰	3	Arm 2	Telemedic ine	Perioperat ive COVID-19 infection	full group	NR	106	9 (8.5)	NR	Ref: Assuming Arm1 p-value only: p=0.35	No
Uppal, 2022 ¹²³	3	Arm 1	In-person	Reason for 90-day readmissi on: Anastomic leak	full group	90 days	437	8 (1.8)	NR	Ref	No
Uppal, 2022 ¹²³	3	Arm 2	Telehealth	Reason for 90-day readmissi on: Anastomic leak	full group	90 days	98	1 (1)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.57	No
Uppal, 2022 ¹²³	3	Arm 1	In-person	Reason for 90-day readmissi on: Acute kidney injury	full group	90 days	437	7 (1.6)	NR	Ref	No
Uppal, 2022 ¹²³	3	Arm 2	Telehealth	Reason for 90-day readmissi on: Acute kidney injury	full group	90 days	98	1 (1)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.67	No
Uppal, 2022 ¹²³	3	Arm 1	In-person	Reason for 90-day readmissi on: Venous thrombosi s	full group	90 days	437	6 (1.4)	NR	Ref	No

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Uppal, 2022 ¹²³	3	Arm 2	Telehealth	Reason for 90-day readmissi on: Venous thrombosi s	full group	90 days	98	0 (0)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.24	No
Uppal, 2022 ¹²³	3	Arm 1	In-person	Reason for 90-day readmissi on: Pancreatic leak	full group	90 days	437	5 (1.1)	NR	Ref	No
Uppal, 2022 ¹²³	3	Arm 2	Telehealth	Reason for 90-day readmissi on: Pancreatic leak	full group	90 days	98	0 (0)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.29	No
Uppal, 2022 ¹²³	3	Arm 1	In-person	Reason for 90-day readmissi on: Wound infecion	full group	90 days	437	5 (1.1)	NR	Ref	No
Uppal, 2022 ¹²³	3	Arm 2	Telehealth	Reason for 90-day readmissi on: Wound infecion	full group	90 days	98	2 (2)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.48	No
Uppal, 2022 ¹²³	3	Arm 1	In-person	Reason for 90-day readmissi on: Other infection	full group	90 days	437	4 (0.9)	NR	Ref	No

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Uppal, 2022 ¹²³	3	Arm 2	Telehealth	Reason for 90-day readmissi on: Other infection	full group	90 days	98	2 (2)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.34	No
Uppal, 2022 ¹²³	3	Arm 1	In-person	Reason for 90-day readmissi on: Cardiopul monary	full group	90 days	437	3 (0.7)	NR	Ref	No
Uppal, 2022 ¹²³	3	Arm 2	Telehealth	Reason for 90-day readmissi on: Cardiopul monary	full group	90 days	98	0 (0)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.41	No
Uppal, 2022 ¹²³	3	Arm 1	In-person	Reason for 90-day readmissi on: Bleeding	full group	90 days	437	3 (0.7)	NR	Ref	No
Uppal, 2022 ¹²³	3	Arm 2	Telehealth	Reason for 90-day readmissi on: Bleeding	full group	90 days	98	0 (0)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.41	No
Uppal, 2022 ¹²³	3	Arm 1	In-person	Reason for 90-day readmissi on: Bowel obstructio n	full group	90 days	437	3 (0.7)	NR	Ref	No
Uppal, 2022 ¹²³	3	Arm 2	Telehealth	Reason for 90-day readmissi on: Bowel obstructio n	full group	90 days	98	1 (1)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.73	No

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Uppal, 2022 ¹²³	3	Arm 1	In-person	Reason for 90-day readmissi on: Stroke	full group	90 days	437	1 (0.2)	NR	Ref	No
Uppal, 2022 ¹²³	3	Arm 2	Telehealth	Reason for 90-day readmissi on: Stroke	full group	90 days	98	0 (0)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.64	No
Uppal, 2022 ¹²³	3	Arm 1	In-person	Reason for 90-day readmissi on: Other	full group	90 days	437	9 (2.1)	NR	Ref	No
Uppal, 2022 ¹²³	3	Arm 2	Telehealth	Reason for 90-day readmissi on: Other	full group	90 days	98	1 (1)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.15	No
Fortier, 2022 ⁴⁷	4	Arm 1	In-person (usual care)	Adverse events	full group	24 weeks	29	0 (0)	NR	NR	No
Fortier, 2022 ⁴⁷	4	Arm 2	Telehealth (virtual care)	Adverse events	full group	24 weeks	45	0 (0)	NR	NR	No

1a=general medical care, adults; 1b=general medical care, children; 1c=general medical care, all ages; 2a=specialized care, COVID-19; 2b=specialized care, pregnany/prenatal/gynecological; 2c=specialized care, other; 3=surgical care; 4=general behavioural; 5=physical rehabilitation; BMI=body mass index; CI=confidence interval; COPD=Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease; N=sample size; NA=not available; NR=not reported; OR=odds ratio; p=p-value; Ref=reference; SD=standard deviation

Author, Year	Cate- gory	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Malliaras, 2020 ⁸¹	1a	Arm 1	Advice only	Adverse events	Full group	12 weeks	12	6 (50)	NR	NR	No
Malliaras, 2020 ⁸¹	1a	Arm 2	Recommend ed care	Adverse events	Full group	12 weeks	12	4 (33)	NR	NR	No
Malliaras, 2020 ⁸¹	1a	Arm 3	Recommend ed and telerehabilita tion	Adverse events	Full group	12 weeks	12	6 (50)	NR	NR	No
Malliaras, 2020 ⁸¹	1a	Arm 1	Advice only	Mild adverse events	Full group	12 weeks	12	7 (70)	NR	NR	No
Malliaras, 2020 ⁸¹	1a	Arm 2	Recommend ed care	Mild adverse events	Full group	12 weeks	12	4 (57)	NR	NR	No
Malliaras, 2020 ⁸¹	1a	Arm 3	Recommend ed and telerehabilita tion	Mild adverse events	Full group	12 weeks	12	6 (75)	NR	NR	No
Malliaras, 2020 ⁸¹	1a	Arm 1	Advice only	Moderate adverse events	Full group	12 weeks	12	3 (30)	NR	NR	No
Malliaras, 2020 ⁸¹	1a	Arm 2	Recommend ed care	Moderate adverse events	Full group	12 weeks	12	3 (43)	NR	NR	No
Malliaras, 2020 ⁸¹	1a	Arm 3	Recommend ed and telerehabilita tion	Moderate adverse events	Full group	12 weeks	12	1 (12)	NR	NR	No
Malliaras, 2020 ⁸¹	1a	Arm 1	Advice only	Serious adverse events	Full group	12 weeks	12	0 (0)	NR	NR	No
Malliaras, 2020 ⁸¹	1a	Arm 2	Recommend ed care	Serious adverse events	Full group	12 weeks	12	0 (0)	NR	NR	No
Malliaras, 2020 ⁸¹	1a	Arm 3	Recommend ed and telerehabilita tion	Serious adverse events	Full group	12 weeks	12	1 (12)	NR	NR	No

Table D.6.8. Clinical outcome (adverse events) results of non-comparison studies (Key Question 2)

Author, Year	Cate- gory	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Postorino, 2020 ⁹⁸	2c	Full group	Full group	Minor adverse events	Full group	NR	3828	6 (18)	NR	NR	No
Postorino, 2020 ⁹⁸	2c	Full group	Full group	Major adverse events	Full group	NR	3828	5 (13)	NR	NR	No
Postorino, 2020 ⁹⁸	2c	Full group	Full group	Minor adverse events	Full group	NR	3828	5 (13)	NR	NR	No
Russo, 2021 ¹⁰⁸	2c	Full group	Full group	Need for "Medical Interventio n"	full group	NR	150	69 (46)	NR	NR	No
Akerly, 2021 ¹⁶	2c	Full group	Full group	Reported Side Effects Requiring Nursing Interventio n	full group	6 week	7	6 (86)	NR	NR	No

1a=general medical care, adults; 1b=general medical care, children; 1c=general medical care, all ages; 2a=specialized care, COVID-19; 2b=specialized care, pregnany/prenatal/gynecological; 2c=specialized care, other; 3=surgical care; 4=general behavioural; 5=physical rehabilitation; N=sample size; NR=not reported

Author, Year	Categor y	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysi s	N at Analysi s	Participant s With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Com- pariso n	Between Arm om- parison	Adjusted
Arias, 2022 ¹⁹	2b	Arm 1	Pre-telehealth implementatio n	Postpartum visit attendance rate	full group	NR	780	565 (72.4)	NR	Ref	Race, prenatal care provider, parity, gestation al age at delivery and insurance status
Arias, 2022 ¹⁹	2b	Arm 2	Post- telehealth implementatio n	Postpartum visit attendance rate	full group	NR	799	662 (82.9)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 1.9 (95% Cl: 1.47 to 2.46), p=<0.001	Race, prenatal care provider, parity, gestation al age at delivery and insurance status
Arias, 2022 ¹⁹	2b	Arm 1	Pre-telehealth implementatio n, hypertensive disorder of pregnancy	Cardiology follow-up visit attendance rate	full group	NR	56	29 (51.8)	NR	Ref	Prenatal care provider only
Arias, 2022 ¹⁹	2b	Arm 2	Post- telehealth implementatio n, hypertensive disorder of pregnancy	Cardiology follow-up visit attendance rate	full group	NR	59	36 (61)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 1.8 (95% CI: 0.79 to 4.11), p=0.32	Prenatal care provider only

Table D.7.1. Process outcome (missed visits) results of studies comparing in-person versus telehealth interventions (Key Question 2)

Author, Year	Categor y	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysi s	N at Analysi s	Participant s With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Com- pariso n	Between Arm om- parison	Adjusted
Boshara, 2022 ²⁶	2c	Arm 1	In-person	Appointment adherence	full group	NR	332 visits	(70.8)	NR	Ref	Paired data
Boshara, 2022 ²⁶	2c	Arm 2	Telehealth	Appointment adherence	full group	NR	246 visits	(79.2)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 W: p=<0.001	Paired data
Boshara, 2022 ²⁶	2c	Arm 1	In-person	Age: 18-24, Appointment adherence	Age	NR	10	(61.5)	NR	Ref	Paired data
Boshara, 2022 ²⁶	2c	Arm 2	Telehealth	Age: 18-24, Appointment adherence	Age	NR	10	(80)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 W: p=0.414	Paired data
Boshara, 2022 ²⁶	2c	Arm 1	In-person	Age: 25-34, Appointment adherence	Age	NR	98	(64.7)	NR	Ref	Paired data
Boshara, 2022 ²⁶	2c	Arm 2	Telehealth	Age: 25-34, Appointment adherence	Age	NR	98	(73.3)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 W: p=0.046	Paired data
Boshara, 2022 ²⁶	2c	Arm 1	In-person	Age: 35-44, Appointment adherence	Age	NR	82	(72.5)	NR	Ref	Paired data
Boshara, 2022 ²⁶	2c	Arm 2	Telehealth	Age: 35-44, Appointment adherence	Age	NR	82	(80.2)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 W: p=0.058	Paired data
Boshara, 2022 ²⁶	2c	Arm 1	In-person	Age: 45-54, Appointment adherence	Age	NR	69	(73.8)	NR	Ref	Paired data

Author, Year	Categor y	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysi s	N at Analysi s	Participant s With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Com- pariso n	Between Arm om- parison	Adjusted
Boshara, 2022 ²⁶	2c	Arm 2	Telehealth	Age: 45-54, Appointment adherence	Age	NR	69	(83.6)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 W: p=0.01	Paired data
Boshara, 2022 ²⁶	2c	Arm 1	In-person	Age: 55-64, Appointment adherence	Age	NR	59	(76.4)	NR	Ref	Paired data
Boshara, 2022 ²⁶	2c	Arm 2	Telehealth	Age: 55-64, Appointment adherence	Age	NR	59	(76.8)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 W: p=0.459	Paired data
Boshara, 2022 ²⁶	2c	Arm 1	In-person	Age: 65+, Appointment adherence	Age	NR	29	(69.1)	NR	Ref	Paired data
Boshara, 2022 ²⁶	2c	Arm 2	Telehealth	Age: 65+, Appointment adherence	Age	NR	29	(88.9)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 W: p=0.027	Paired data
Boshara, 2022 ²⁶	2c	Arm 1	In-person	Race: Black, Appointment adherence	Race	NR	Total N:251	(68.9)	NR	Ref	Paired data
Boshara, 2022 ²⁶	2c	Arm 2	Telehealth	Race: Black, Appointment adherence	Race	NR	251	(78.3)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 W: p=0.001	Paired data
Boshara, 2022 ²⁶	2c	Arm 1	In-person	Race: White, Appointment adherence	Race	NR	20	(68.2)	NR	Ref	Paired data
Boshara, 2022 ²⁶	2c	Arm 2	Telehealth	Race: White, Appointment adherence	Race	NR	20	(71.8)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 W: p=0.803	Paired data

Author, Year	Categor y	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysi s	N at Analysi s	Participant s With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Com- pariso n	Between Arm om- parison	Adjusted
Boshara, 2022 ²⁶	2c	Arm 1	In-person	Race/ethnicit y: Hispanic Appointment adherence	Race	NR	69	(75.9)	NR	Ref	Paired data
Boshara, 2022 ²⁶	2c	Arm 2	Telehealth	Race/ethnicit y: Hispanic Appointment adherence	Race	NR	69	(82.5)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 W: p=0.015	Paired data
Boshara, 2022 ²⁶	2c	Arm 1	In-person	Race: Asian, Appointment adherence	Race	NR	7	(83.3)	NR	Ref	Paired data
Boshara, 2022 ²⁶	2c	Arm 2	Telehealth	Race: Asian, Appointment adherence	Race	NR	7	(100)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 W: p=0.317	Paired data
Boshara, 2022 ²⁶	2c	Arm 1	In-person	Gender: Female, Appointment adherence	Gender	NR	130	(70.1)	NR	Ref	Paired data
Boshara, 2022 ²⁶	2c	Arm 2	Telehealth	Gender: Female, Appointment adherence	Gender	NR	130	(83.4)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 W: p=<0.001	Paired data
Boshara, 2022 ²⁶	2c	Arm 1	In-person	Gender: Male, Appointment adherence	Gender	NR	217	(71.3)	NR	Ref	Paired data
Boshara, 2022 ²⁶	2c	Arm 2	Telehealth	Gender: Male, Appointment adherence	Gender	NR	217	(76.3)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 W: p=0.029	Paired data
Boshara, 2022 ²⁶	2c	Arm 1	In-person	MSM, Appointment adherence	Comorbidit y	NR	92	(72.5)	NR	Ref	Paired data

Author, Year	Categor y	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysi s	N at Analysi s	Participant s With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Com- pariso n	Between Arm om- parison	Adjusted
Boshara, 2022 ²⁶	2c	Arm 2	Telehealth	MSM, Appointment adherence	Comorbidit y	NR	92	(86.2)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 W: p=0.0001	Paired data
Boshara, 2022 ²⁶	2c	Arm 1	In-person	No MSM, Appointment adherence	Comorbidit y	NR	137	(66.4)	NR	Ref	Paired data
Boshara, 2022 ²⁶	2c	Arm 2	Telehealth	No MSM, Appointment adherence	Comorbidit y	NR	137	(74.8)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 W: p=0.041	Paired data
Boshara, 2022 ²⁶	2c	Arm 1	In-person	IDU, Appointment adherence	Comorbidit y	NR	92	(61.2)	NR	Ref	Paired data
Boshara, 2022 ²⁶	2c	Arm 2	Telehealth	IDU, Appointment adherence	Comorbidit y	NR	92	(66.7)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 W: p=0.399	Paired data
Boshara, 2022 ²⁶	2c	Arm 1	In-person	No IDU, Appointment adherence	Comorbidit y	NR	137	(70.7)	NR	Ref	Paired data
Boshara, 2022 ²⁶	2c	Arm 2	Telehealth	No IDU, Appointment adherence	Comorbidit y	NR	137	(79.7)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 W: p=<0.001	Paired data
Boshara, 2022 ²⁶	2c	Arm 1	In-person	Drug use, Appointment adherence	Comorbidit y	NR	48	(52.9)	NR	Ref	Paired data
Boshara, 2022 ²⁶	2c	Arm 2	Telehealth	Drug use, Appointment adherence	Comorbidit y	NR	48	(78.6)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 W: p=0.017	Paired data

Author, Year	Categor y	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysi s	N at Analysi s	Participant s With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Com- pariso n	Between Arm om- parison	Adjusted
Boshara, 2022 ²⁶	2c	Arm 1	In-person	No drug use, Appointment adherence	Comorbidit y	NR	299	(72.6)	NR	Ref	Paired data
Boshara, 2022 ²⁶	2c	Arm 2	Telehealth	No drug use, Appointment adherence	Comorbidit y	NR	299	(79.3)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 W: p=<0.001	Paired data
Boshara, 2022 ²⁶	2c	Arm 1	In-person	Alcohol use, Appointment adherence	Comorbidit y	NR	32	(63.1)	NR	Ref	Paired data
Boshara, 2022 ²⁶	2c	Arm 2	Telehealth	Alcohol use, Appointment adherence	Comorbidit y	NR	32	(75)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 W: p=0.214	Paired data
Boshara, 2022 ²⁶	2c	Arm 1	In-person	No alcohol use, Appointment adherence	Comorbidit y	NR	315	(71.5)	NR	Ref	Paired data
Boshara, 2022 ²⁶	2c	Arm 2	Telehealth	No alcohol use, Appointment adherence	Comorbidit y	NR	315	(79.6)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 W: p=<0.001	Paired data
Boshara, 2022 ²⁶	2c	Arm 1	In-person	Housing status stable, Appointment adherence	Comorbidit y	NR	36	(59.2)	NR	Ref	Paired data
Boshara, 2022 ²⁶	2c	Arm 2	Telehealth	Housing status stable, Appointment adherence	Comorbidit y	NR	36	(81.7)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 W: p=0.006	Paired data

Author, Year	Categor y	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysi s	N at Analysi s	Participant s With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Com- pariso n	Between Arm om- parison	Adjusted
Boshara, 2022 ²⁶	2c	Arm 1	In-person	Housing status unstable, Appointment adherence	Comorbidit y	NR	215	(73.1)	NR	Ref	Paired data
Boshara, 2022 ²⁶	2c	Arm 2	Telehealth	Housing status unstable, Appointment adherence	Comorbidit y	NR	215	(86)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 W: p=<0.001	Paired data
Klain, 2021 ⁶⁸	2c	Arm 3	2019 visit (correspondin g period to followup visit during COVID-19)	Outpatient F/U evaluations	full group	2019	525	Events: NR	NR	Ref	No
Klain, 2021 ⁶⁸	2c	Arm 4	2020 telemedicine followup visit during COVID-19	Outpatient F/U evaluations	full group	During COVID- 19	445	Events: NR	NR	Ref: Evaluations in correspondin g 2019 period Difference in number of evaluations: -0.15 (15% missed outpatient visit in 2020 comparing 2019), p=NR	No
Watson, 2021 ¹²⁵	2c	Arm 1	Pre-telephone clinic (face to face)	Proportion of patients who cancelled colonoscopie s	full group	NR	814	13 (1.5)	NR	Ref	No

Author, Year	Categor y	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysi s	N at Analysi s	Participant s With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Com- pariso n	Between Arm om- parison	Adjusted
Watson, 2021 ¹²⁵	2c	Arm 2	Post- introduction (telephone)	Proportion of patients who cancelled colonoscopie s	full group	NR	910	22 (2.5)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.14	No
Zhu, 2021 ¹³³	2c	Arm 1	2019 cohort (face to face)	Non- attendance of appointment	full group	NR	1443	157 (10.9)	NR	Ref	No
Zhu, 2021 ¹³³	2c	Arm 2	2020 cohort (telehealth)	Non- attendance of appointment	full group	NR	1597	104 (6.5)	NR	Ref: Arm1 Odds ratio: 0.57 (95% CI: 0.44 to 0.739), p≤0.001	No
Ye, 2022 ¹²⁹	3	Arm 1	In-person	Missed visit	full group	NR	3810	1953 (51.3)	NR	Ref	No
Ye, 2022 ¹²⁹	3	Arm 2	Telehealth	Missed visit	full group	NR	4387	1080 (24.7)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 0.311 (95% CI: 0.284 to 0.342), p=<0.001	No
Ye, 2022 ¹²⁹	3	Arm 1	In-person	Missed visit, low Area Deprivation Index	full group	NR	1384	658 (47.5)	NR	Ref	No
Ye, 2022 ¹²⁹	3	Arm 2	Telehealth	Missed visit, low Area Deprivation Index	full group	NR	1590	378 (23.8)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=<0.001	No
Ye, 2022 ¹²⁹	3	Arm 1	In-person	Missed visit, medium Area Deprivation Index	full group	NR	2041	1066 (52.2)	NR	Ref	No

Author, Year	Categor y	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysi s	N at Analysi s	Participant s With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Com- pariso n	Between Arm om- parison	Adjusted
Ye, 2022 ¹²⁹	3	Arm 2	Telehealth	Missed visit, medium Area Deprivation Index	full group	NR	2420	601 (24.8)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=<0.001	No
Ye, 2022 ¹²⁹	3	Arm 1	In-person	Missed visit, high Area Deprivation Index	full group	NR	385	229 (59.5)	NR	Ref	No
Ye, 2022 ¹²⁹	3	Arm 2	Telehealth	Missed visit, high Area Deprivation Index	full group	NR	377	104 (27.6)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=<0.001	No
Zayde, 2021 ¹³⁰	4	Full group	Full sample	No-show rates (before vs after)	full group	20 Weeks	Baseline : 12 Followu p: 12	Continuous data Baseline: Mean: 0.23 (SD 0.23) Followup: Mean: 0.32 (SD 0.25)	NR	NR	No

la=general medical care, adults; 1b=general medical care, children; 1c=general medical care, all ages; 2a=specialized care, COVID-19; 2b=specialized care, pregnany/prenatal/gynecological; 2c=specialized care, other; 3=surgical care; 4=general behavioural; 5=physical rehabilitation; CI=confidence interval; ED=emergency department; ENT=Ear, nose and throat; F/U=followup; N=sample size; NR=not reported; OR=odds ratio; p=p-value; Ref=reference

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Partici- pants With Outcome s, n (%)	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Compariso n	Adjusted
Sawka, 2021 ¹¹⁰	2c	Arm 1	Choice of Active Surveillan ce for Thyroid Cancer	Missed Clinical Appointme nt	Active Surveillanc e Group (during COVID)	232 days	133	11 (8.3)	NR	NR	No
Sawka, 2021 ¹¹⁰	2c	Arm 1	Choice of Active Surveillan ce for Thyroid Cancer	Missed Ultrasoun d Appointme nt	Active Surveillanc e Group (during COVID)	232 days	133	11 (8.3)	NR	NR	No
Sawka, 2021 ¹¹⁰	2c	Arm 1	Choice of Active Surveillan ce for Thyroid Cancer	Missed Blood Test	Active Surveillanc e Group (during COVID)	232 days	133	22 (16.5)	NR	NR	No
Sawka, 2021 ¹¹⁰	2c	Arm 1	Choice of Active Surveillan ce for Thyroid Cancer	Delayed Appointme nt	Active Surveillanc e Group (during COVID)	232 days	133	31 (22.3)	NR	NR	No

Table D.7.2. Process outcome (missed visits) results of non-comparison studies (Key Question 2)

2c=specialized care, other; N=sample size; NR=not reported

Table D.7.3. Process outcome (case resolution/duplication) results of studies comparing in-person versus telehealth interventions (Key Question 2)

Author, Year	Cate- gory	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participant s With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Tarn, 2021 ¹²⁰	1c	Arm 1	Patients receiving in-person outpatient care at primary care clinic	Telephone calls	full group	NR	Baseline: 52 Followup: NR	Continuous Baseline: Mean: 3.56 (SD 2.46) Followup: NR	NR	Ref: Arm 2, Arm 3 Chi- Squared: NR, p=0.002	No
Tarn, 2021 ¹²⁰	1c	Arm 2	Patients receiving telephone outpatient care at primary care clinic	Telephone calls	full group	NR	Baseline: 55 Followup: NR	Continuous Baseline: Mean: 5.29 (SD 2.6) Followup: NR	NR	NR	No
Tarn, 2021 ¹²⁰	1c	Arm 3	Patients receiving telehealth(video) outpatient care at primary care clinic	Telephone calls	full group	NR	Baseline: 89 Followup: NR	Continuous Baseline: Mean: 4.39 (SD 2.5) Followup: NR	NR	NR	No
Tarn, 2021 ¹²⁰	1c	Arm 1	Patients receiving in-person outpatient care at primary care clinic	Email Messages	full group	NR	Baseline: 52 Followup: NR	Continuous Baseline: Mean: 1.4 (SD 0.96) Followup: NR	NR	Ref: Arm 2, Arm 3 Chi- Squared: NR, p=0.02	No
Tarn, 2021 ¹²⁰	1c	Arm 2	Patients receiving telephone outpatient care at primary care clinic	Email Messages	full group	NR	Baseline: 55 Followup: NR	Continuous Baseline: Mean: 1.58 (SD 1.29) Followup: NR	NR	NR	No

Author, Year	Cate- gory	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participant s With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Tarn, 2021 ¹²⁰	1c	Arm 3	Patients receiving telehealth(video) outpatient care at primary care clinic	Email Messages	full group	NR	Baseline: 89 Followup: NR	Continuous Baseline: Mean: 1.97 (SD 1.3) Followup: NR	NR	NR	No
Tarn, 2021 ¹²⁰	1c	Arm 1	Patients receiving in-person outpatient care at primary care clinic	Telemedic ine visit	full group	NR	Baseline: 52 Followup: NR	Continuous Baseline: Mean: 1.1 (SD 0.3) Followup: NR	NR	Ref: Arm 2, Arm 3 Chi- Squared: NR, p≤.001	No
Tarn, 2021 ¹²⁰	1c	Arm 2	Patients receiving telephone outpatient care at primary care clinic	Telemedic ine visit	full group	NR	Baseline: 55 Followup: NR	Continuous Baseline: Mean: 1.16 (SD 0.46) Followup: NR	NR	NR	No
Tarn, 2021 ¹²⁰	1c	Arm 3	Patients receiving telehealth(video) outpatient care at primary care clinic	Telemedic ine visit	full group	NR	Baseline: 89 Followup: NR	Continuous Baseline: Mean: 2.3 (SD 0.7) Followup: NR	NR	NR	No
Carlberg, 2020 ³⁰	2a	Arm 1	Patients receiving telehealth and in- person evaluation in the ED	Return to Health Care within 72 hours	full group	72 hours	132	7 (5.3)	NR	NR	No

Author, Year	Cate- gory	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participant s With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Carlberg, 2020 ³⁰	2a	Arm 2	Patients receiving telehealth only evaluation in the ED	Return to Health Care within 72 hours	full group	72 hours	153	6 (3.9)	NR	NR	No
Carlberg, 2020 ³⁰	2a	Arm 1	Patients receiving telehealth and in- person evaluation in the ED	Return to Health Care within 72 hours, COVID-19 related	full group	72 hours	132	5 (3.8)	NR	NR	No
Carlberg, 2020 ³⁰	2a	Arm 2	Patients receiving telehealth only evaluation in the ED	Return to Health Care within 72 hours, COVID-19 related	full group	72 hours	153	4 (2.6)	NR	NR	No
Carlberg, 2020 ³⁰	2a	Arm 1	Patients receiving telehealth and in- person evaluation in the ED	Return to Health Care within 72 hours, Non- COVID-19 related	full group	72 hours	132	1 (8)	NR	NR	No
Carlberg, 2020 ³⁰	2a	Arm 2	Patients receiving telehealth only evaluation in the ED	Return to Health Care within 72 hours, Non- COVID-19 related	full group	72 hours	153	2 (1.3)	NR	NR	No

Author, Year	Cate- gory	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participant s With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Carlberg, 2020 ³⁰	2a	Arm 1	Patients receiving telehealth and in- person evaluation in the ED	Return to Health Care, Overall	full group	NR (assume d 25 days)	132	19 (14.4)	NR	NR	No
Carlberg, 2020 ³⁰	2a	Arm 2	Patients receiving telehealth only evaluation in the ED	Return to Health Care, Overall	full group	NR (assume d 25 days)	153	10 (6.5)	NR	NR	No
Carlberg, 2020 ³⁰	2a	Arm 1	Patients receiving telehealth and in- person evaluation in the ED	Return to Health Care , Overall, COVID-19 related	full group	NR (assume d 25 days)	132	12 (9)	NR	NR	No
Carlberg, 2020 ³⁰	2a	Arm 2	Patients receiving telehealth only evaluation in the ED	Return to Health Care, Overall, COVID-19 related	full group	NR (assume d 25 days)	153	7 (4.6)	NR	NR	No
Carlberg, 2020 ³⁰	2a	Arm 1	Patients receiving telehealth and in- person evaluation in the ED	Return to Health Care, Overall, Non- COVID-19 related	full group	NR (assume d 25 days)	132	4 (3)	NR	NR	No
Carlberg, 2020 ³⁰	2a	Arm 2	Patients receiving telehealth only evaluation in the ED	Return to Health Care, Overall, Non- COVID-19 related	full group	NR (assume d 25 days)	153	2 (1.3)	NR	NR	No

Author, Year	Cate- gory	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participant s With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Kerestes, 2021 ⁶⁵	2b	Arm 1	Patients who received abortion services in-person	Abortion Completio n without surgery	Full group	243 days	94	88 (0.936)	NR	NR	No
Kerestes, 2021 ⁶⁵	2b	Arm 2	Patients who received abortion services via telehealth	Abortion Completio n without surgery	Full group	244 days	124	120 (0.968)	NR	NR	No
Kerestes, 2021 ⁶⁵	2b	Arm 2	Patients who received abortion services via telehealth	Abortion Completio n without surgery	Full group	245 days	69	67 (0.971)	NR	NR	No
Fredwall, 2021 ⁴⁹	2c	Arm 1	Patients seen in- person at Epilepsy Clinic	Linked with Counselin g, 1 month	full group	1 month	101	NR (75)	NR	NR	No
Fredwall, 2021 ⁴⁹	2c	Arm 2	Patients seen by telemedici ne at Epilepsy Clinic	Linked with Counselin g, 1 month	full group	1 month	16	8 (35)	NR	NR	No
Fredwall, 2021 ⁴⁹	2c	Arm 1	Patients seen in- person at Epilepsy Clinic	Linked with Counselin g, 3 month	full group	3 months	101	NR (76)	NR	NR	No

Author, Year	Cate- gory	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participant s With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Fredwall, 2021 ⁴⁹	2c	Arm 2	Patients seen by telemedici ne at Epilepsy Clinic	Linked with Counselin g, 3 month	full group	3 months	16	10 (63)	NR	NR	No
Kolb, 2021 ⁶⁹	2c	Arm 1	Patients receiving in-person outpatient care at ENT clinic (Recurrent Acute Otitis Media Cohort)	Routine Follow-up Recomme nded	Recurrent Acute Otitis Media	42 days	50	16 (32)	NR	Ref	Νο
Kolb, 2021 ⁶⁹	2c	Arm 2	Patients receiving telehealth outpatient care at ENT clinic, (Reccuren t Acute Otitis Media Cohort)	Routine Follow-up Recomme nded	Recurrent Acute Otitis Media	42 days	50	10 (20)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Chi- Squared Test: NR, p=0.254	No
Zhu, 2021 ¹³³	2c	Arm 1	2019 cohort (face to face)	Follow-up Phone Call Required	Full group	NR	1286	29 (2.3)	NR	Ref	NR

Author, Year	Cate- gory	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participant s With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Zhu, 2021 ¹³³	2c	Arm 2	2020 cohort (telehealth)	Follow-up Phone Call Required	Full group	NR	1493	48 (3.2)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 1.44 (95% CI: 0.901 to 2.293), p=0.127	No
Li, 2021 ⁷⁴	2c	Arm 1	Patients triaged in- person for ophthalmo logic issue	Need in- person ophthalmo logic review	full group	NR	451	400 (88.7)	NR	REF	No
Li, 2021 ⁷⁴	2c	Arm 2	Patients receiving virtual triage for ophthalmo logic issue	Need in- person ophthalmo logic review	full group	NR	403	220 (54.6)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Chi- Squared: 128.2, p≤0.001	No
Li, 2021 ⁷⁴	2c	Arm 1	Patients triaged in- person for ophthalmo logic issue	Return to the Emergenc y Room within 1 month	full group	30 days	51	8 (15.7)	NR	REF	No
Li, 2021 ⁷⁴	2c	Arm 2	Patients receiving virtual triage for ophthalmo logic issue	Return to the Emergenc y Room within 1 month	full group	30 days	183	65 (35.5)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Chi- Squared: 7.31, p=0.007	No
Rowe, 2021 ¹⁰⁷	2c	Arm 1	Telephone Cardiology Outpatient Visits	Follow-up appointme nt within study period	Full group	148 Days	1118	196 (16.5)	NR	REF	No

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Rowe, 2021 ¹⁰⁷	2c	Arm 2	Video Cardiology Outpatient Visits	Follow-up appointme nt within study period	Full group	148 Days	327	79 (24.2)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p=0.015	Age, Gender, English as First Language, Rural Status, initial appointmen t status, cardiologist seen
Rowe, 2021 ¹⁰⁷	2c	Arm 1	Telephone Cardiology Outpatient Visits	Alternative appointme nt type at next appointme nt	full group	148 Days	NR	39 (19.9)	NR	REF	No
Rowe, 2021 ¹⁰⁷	2c	Arm 2	Video Cardiology Outpatient Visits	Alternative appointme nt type at next appointme nt	full group	148 Days	NR	45 (57)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Measure of associati on not mentione d (used, assumed relative risk): p≤.0001	Age, Gender, English as First Language, Rural Status, initial appointmen t status, cardiologist seen
Rowe, 2021 ¹⁰⁷	2c	Arm 1	Telephone Cardiology Outpatient Visits	Alternative Telemedic ine Next Appointme nt	full group	148 Days	NR	13 (33.3)	NR	REF	No

Author, Year	Cate- gory	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participant s With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Rowe, 2021 ¹⁰⁷	2c	Arm 2	Video Cardiology Outpatient Visits	Alternative Telemedic ine Next Appointme nt	full group	148 Days	NR	38 (84.4)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Measure of associati on not mentione d (used, assumed relative risk): p≤.0001	Age, Gender, English as First Language, Rural Status, initial appointmen t status, cardiologist seen
Hatef, 2022 ⁴	1c	Arm 1	First encounter in-person	Acute ambulator y care, any followup encounter	full group	14 days	493716	NR	NR	Ref	Adjusted for the type of acute and chronic ambulatory care sensitive conditions treated during the episode.
Hatef, 2022 ⁴	1c	Arm 2	First encounter telemedici ne	Acute ambulator y care, any followup encounter	full group	14 days	113857	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 1.44 (95% CI: 1.42 to 1.46), p=NR	Adjusted for the type of acute and chronic ambulatory care sensitive conditions treated during the episode.

Author, Year	Cate- gory	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participant s With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Hatef, 2022 ⁴	1c	Arm 1	First encounter in-person	Chronic ambulator y care, any followup encounter	full group	14 days	410743	NR	NR	Ref	Adjusted for the type of acute and chronic ambulatory care sensitive conditions treated during the episode.
Hatef, 2022 ⁴	1c	Arm 2	First encounter telemedici ne	Chronic ambulator y care, any followup encounter	full group	14 days	94481	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 0.94 (95% CI: 0.92 to 0.95), p=NR	Adjusted for the type of acute and chronic ambulatory care sensitive conditions treated during the episode.
Offiah, 2022 ⁹¹	2c	Arm 1	Traditional clinic	Return clinic	full group	NR	1220	980 (80.3)	NR	Ref	No
Offiah, 2022 ⁹¹	2c	Arm 2	Virtual clinic	Return clinic	full group	NR	496	353 (71.2)	NR	Ref: Assumin g Arm1 p-value only: p=0.0003	No
Offiah, 2022 ⁹¹	2c	Arm 1	Traditional clinic	Discharge d	full group	NR	1220	239 (19.6)	NR	Ref	No
Offiah, 2022 ⁹¹	2c	Arm 2	Virtual clinic	Discharge d	full group	NR	496	143 (28.8)	NR	Ref: Assumin g Arm1 p-value only: p=NR	No

Author, Year	Cate- gory	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participant s With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Lindhagen, 2022 ⁷⁶	2c	Arm 1	Process outcomes	Number of unplanned telephone contacts with doctor per patient	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 814	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.88 (SD 1.89)	NR	Ref	No
Lindhagen, 2022 ⁷⁶	2c	Arm 2	Process outcomes	Number of unplanned telephone contacts with doctor per patient	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 910	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.9 (SD 1.9)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.379	No
Lindhagen, 2022 ⁷⁶	2c	Arm 1	Process outcomes	Number of planned telephone followups with doctor per patient	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 814	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.01 (SD 0.12)	NR	Ref	No
Lindhagen, 2022 ⁷⁶	2c	Arm 2	Process outcomes	Number of planned telephone followups with doctor per patient	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 910	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.47 (SD 0.55)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=<0.001	No
Lindhagen, 2022 ⁷⁶	2c	Arm 1	Process outcomes	Number of planned physical followups with doctor per patient	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 814	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.45 (SD 0.57)	NR	Ref	No

Author, Year	Cate- gory	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participant s With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Lindhagen, 2022 ⁷⁶	2c	Arm 2	Process outcomes	Number of planned physical followups with doctor per patient	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 910	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.13 (SD 0.35)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=<0.001	No
Irarrazaval, 2021 ⁶⁰	3	Arm 1	In-person	Required a second in-person visit	full group	30 days	113	4 (3.5)	NR	NR	No
Irarrazaval, 2021 ⁶⁰	3	Arm 2	Telemedic ine	Required a second in-person visit	full group	30 days	106	3 (2.8)	NR	NR	No
Irarrazaval, 2021 ⁶⁰	3	Arm 1	In-person	Required a second telemedici ne visit	full group	30 days	113	7 (6.2)	NR	NR	No
Irarrazaval, 2021 ⁶⁰	3	Arm 2	Telemedic ine	Required a second telemedici ne visit	full group	30 days	106	16 (14.9)	NR	NR	No

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Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Compariso n	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Loftus, 2022 ⁷⁸	2c	Arm 1	Contempor ary cohort (type of visit unclear)	Added appointment s/imaging/pr ocedures	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 95	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 12.4 (SD 8.7)	NR	Ref	No
Loftus, 2022 ⁷⁸	2c	Arm 2	C3 pilot (includes telehealth component)	Added appointment s/imaging/pr ocedures	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 34	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 13.9 (SD 7.8)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.18	No
Loftus, 2022 ⁷⁸	2c	Arm 1	Contempor ary cohort (type of visit unclear)	Added or cancelled appointment s/imaging/pr ocedures	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 95	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 18 (SD 12)	NR	Ref	No
Loftus, 2022 ⁷⁸	2c	Arm 2	C3 pilot (includes telehealth component)	Added or cancelled appointment s/imaging/pr ocedures	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 34	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 19.9 (SD 11.9)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.33	No
Alvarez, 2020 ¹⁸	1a	Full group	Full group	Telephone consultation, resolved	Speciali sed primary care	NR	1509 consultati ons	Events: 842 (56)	NR	NR	No
Alvarez, 2020 ¹⁸	1a	Full group	Full group	Telephone consultation, unresolved	Speciali sed primary care	NR	1509 consultati ons	Events: 667 (44)	NR	NR	No

 Table D.7.4. Process outcome (case resolution/duplication) results of non-comparison studies (Key Question 2)

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Compariso n	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Alvarez, 2020 ¹⁸	1a	Full group	Full group	Telephone consultation, resolved	Outpatie nt hospital consulta tions	NR	1063 consultati ons	Events: 808 (76)	NR	NR	No
Alvarez, 2020 ¹⁸	1a	Full group	Full group	Telephone consultation, unresolved	Outpatie nt hospital consulta tions	NR	1063 consultati ons	Events: 255 (24)	NR	NR	No
Alvarez, 2020 ¹⁸	1a	Full group	Full group	Telephone consultation, resolved	Referral s	NR	2459 consultati ons	Events: 1012 (41)	NR	NR	No
Alvarez, 2020 ¹⁸	1a	Full group	Full group	Telephone consultation, unresolved	Referral s	NR	2459 consultati ons	Events: 1447 (59)	NR	NR	No
Alvarez, 2020 ¹⁸	1a	Full group	Full group	Telephone consultation, effective or discharges	Speciali sed primary care and outpatie nt hospital consulta tions	NR	2572 consultati ons	Events: 1650 (64)	NR	NR	No
Alvarez, 2020 ¹⁸	1a	Full group	Full group	Telephone consultation, required onsite visits or no telephone contact was made	Speciali sed primary care and outpatie nt hospital consulta tions	NR	2572 consultati ons	Events: 922 (36)	NR	NR	No
Alvarez, 2020 ¹⁸	1a	Full group	Full group	Telephone consultation, effective	Full group	NR	5031 consultati ons	Events: NR (53)	NR	NR	No

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Compariso n	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Mehtani, 2021 ⁸⁸	1a	Full group	Full group	Buprenorphi ne use at discharge from I&Q	Full group	16 days	12	7 (58)	NR	NR	No
Mehtani, 2021 ⁸⁸	1a	Full group	Full group	Followed up after discharge from I&Q	full group	16 days	12	4 (33)	NR	NR	No
Schweiberg er, 2020 ¹¹²	1b	Arm 1	Outpatient practices with low telemedicin e use	Telephone manaement without a visit per 1000 patients per week	full group	31 days	NR	Events: 17 (NR)	NR	Ref: Arm 2, Arm 3 Kruskal- Wallis Test: NR, p=0.8	No
Schweiberg er, 2021 ¹¹²	1b	Arm 2	Outpatient practices with intermediat e telemedicin e use	Telephone manaement without a visit per 1000 patients per week	full group	32 days	NR	Events: 14 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Schweiberg er, 2022 ¹¹²	1b	Arm 3	Outpatient practices with high telemedicin e use	Telephone manaement without a visit per 1000 patients per week	full group	33 days	NR	Events: 15 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Ferry, 2021 ⁴⁶	2a	Full group	Full	Hospital assessment after virtual ward admission	Full group	NR	223	18 (8.1)	NR	NR	No
Shabto, 2020 ¹¹⁵	2a	Full group	Full	Required in- person respiratory clinic assessment	full group	NR	49	4 (8.2)	NR	NR	No

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Compariso n	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Kolb, 2021 ⁶⁹	2c	Arm 1	Patients receiving in-person outpatient care at ENT clinic (Recurrent Acute Otitis Media Cohort)	Successful Visit	Recurre nt Acute Otitis Media	42 days	50	NR	NR	Ref	No
Kolb, 2021 ⁶⁹	2c	Arm 2	Patients receiving telehealth outpatient care at ENT clinic, (Reccurent Acute Otitis Media Cohort)	Successful Visit	Recurre nt Acute Otitis Media	42 days	50	42 (84)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Chi- Squared Test: NR, p=NR	No
Kolb, 2021 ⁶⁹	2c	Arm 1	Patients receiving in-person outpatient care at ENT clinic, (Sleep- Disorderd Breathing Cohort)	Successful Visit	Sleep- disorder ed breathin g	42 days	64	NR	NR	Ref	No
Kolb, 2021 ⁶⁹	2c	Arm 2	Patients receiving telehealth outpatient care at ENT clinic, (Sleep- Disorderd Breathing Cohort)	Successful Visit	Sleep- disorder ed breathin g	42 days	64	61 (95.3)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Fisher's Exact Test: NR, p=NR	No

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Compariso n	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Kolb, 2021 ⁶⁹	2c	Arm 1	Patients receiving in-person outpatient care at ENT clinic (Recurrent Acute Otitis Media Cohort)	Office Examination Recommend ed	Recurre nt Acute Otitis Media	42 days	50	NR	NR	Ref	No
Kolb, 2021 ⁶⁹	2c	Arm 2	Patients receiving telehealth outpatient care at ENT clinic, (Reccurent Acute Otitis Media Cohort)	Office Examination Recommend ed	Recurre nt Acute Otitis Media	42 days	50	2 (4)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Chi- Squared Test: NR, p=NR	No
Kolb, 2021 ⁶⁹	2c	Arm 1	Patients receiving in-person outpatient care at ENT clinic, (Sleep- Disorderd Breathing Cohort)	Office Examination Recommend ed	Sleep- disorder ed breathin g	42 days	64	NR	NR	Ref	Νο
Kolb, 2021 ⁶⁹	2c	Arm 2	Patients receiving telehealth outpatient care at ENT clinic, (Sleep- Disorderd Breathing Cohort)	Office Examination Recommend ed	Sleep- disorder ed breathin g	42 days	64	3 (4.7)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Fisher's Exact Test: NR, p=NR	Νο

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Compariso n	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Zhang, 2021 ¹³¹	2c	Full group	Full	Planned subsequet in-person encounter	Full group	6 weeks	298	8 (3)	NR	NR	No
Darr, 2020 ⁴¹	2c	Full group	Full group	Further investigation s required after appointment	full group	NR	200	22 (11)	NR	NR	No
Chang, 2021 ³²	2c	Arm 1	Patients seen by telemedicin e at dermatolog y clinic for nail issues (New Visit)	In-person follow-up requested	Full group	NR	46	25 (54)	NR	NR	No
Chang, 2021 ³²	2c	Arm 2	Patients seen by telemedicin e at dermatolog y clinic for nail issues (Follow-up visit)	In-person follow-up requested	Full group	NR	54	2 (4)	NR	NR	No
De Marchi, 2021 ⁴³	2c	Full group	Full group	Required urgent pneumologic al evaluation	full group	NR	19	2 (3.5)	NR	NR	NR
Sharma, 2020 ¹¹⁶	2c	Full group	Full group	Telephone consultation was effective, % of those phoned	Telepho ne consulta tion was effective	NR	215	91 (81)	NR	NR	No

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Compariso n	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Sharma, 2020 ¹¹⁶	2c	Full group	Full group	Appropriate referrals in diagnostic category	Telepho ne consulta tion underta ken	NR	215	113 (53)	NR	NR	No
Sharma, 2020 ¹¹⁶	2c	Full group	Full group	Appropriate referrals in diagnostic category	Patients requirin g further ENT clinic appoint ment	NR	215	148 (69)	NR	NR	No
Sharma, 2020 ¹¹⁶	2c	Full group	Full group	Appropriate referrals in diagnostic category	Listed for surgery	NR	215	23 (11)	NR	NR	No
Sharma, 2020 ¹¹⁶	2c	Full group	Full group	Appropriate referrals in diagnostic category	No follow up	NR	215	44 (21)	NR	NR	No
Chesnel, 2021 ³³	2c	Full group	Full group	Inefficient teleconsultat ion	Full group	NR	328	15 (4.2)	NR	NR	No
Chesnel, 2021 ³³	2c	Full group	Full group	Difficult teleconsultat ion (numerical scale ≥ 5)	Full group	NR	328	3 (0.9)	NR	NR	No
Chesnel, 2021 ³³	2c	Full group	Full group	Teleconsulta tion replacing physical visit	Full group	NR	328	324 (90.5)	NR	NR	No
Longobardi , 2021 ⁷⁹	3	Full group	Full group	Outpatient follow-up needed	full group	34 days	37	14 (0.3783)	NR	NR	No

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Table D.7.5. Process outcome (change in therapy/medication) results of studies comparing in-person versus telehealth interventions (Key Question 2)

Author, Year	Categor y	m	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Time Point of Analysi s	N at Analysis	Participan ts With Outcomes , n (%)	Within Arm Comparis on	Between Arm Comparis on	Adjusted
McNamar a, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Ar m 1	Face to face	Medication related problem: Needs additional drug therapy (per encounter)	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 341	Continuou s data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.37 (SD 0.7)	NR	Ref	No
McNamar a, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Ar m 2	Telehealth	Medication related problem: Needs additional drug therapy (per encounter)	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 151	Continuou s data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.12 (SD 0.4)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.527	No
McNamar a, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Ar m 1	Face to face	Medication related problem: Different drug needed (per encounter)	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 341	Continuou s data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.09 (SD 0.31)	NR	Ref	No
McNamar a, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Ar m 2	Telehealth	Medication related problem: Different drug needed (per encounter)	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 151	Continuou s data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.06 (SD 0.23)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.423	No

Author, Year	Categor y	Ar m	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Time Point of Analysi s	N at Analysis	Participan ts With Outcomes , n (%)	Within Arm Comparis on	Between Arm Comparis on	Adjusted
Wabe, 2022 ¹²⁴	1a	Ar m 1	Face to face	Consultations with atleast one medication prescribed	NR	8303233	3264748 (39.3)	NR	Ref	Age, sex, socioecono mic status, patient status, remoteness, primary health network, and the state of the practice
Wabe, 2022 ¹²⁴	1a	Ar m 2	Telehealth	Consultations with atleast one medication prescribed	NR	5304983	1751878 (33)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 1.38 (95% Cl: 1.379 to 1.381), p=NR	Age, sex, socioecono mic status, patient status, remoteness, primary health network, and the state of the practice
Wabe, 2022 ¹²⁴	1a	Ar m 1	Face to face	Consultations with first-time medication prescribed	NR	8303233	1520401 (18.3)	NR	Ref	Age, sex, socioecono mic status, patient status, remoteness, primary health network, and the state of the practice

Author, Year	Categor y	Ar m	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Time Point of Analysi s	N at Analysis	Participan ts With Outcomes , n (%)	Within Arm Comparis on	Between Arm Comparis on	Adjusted
Wabe, 2022 ¹²⁴	1a	Ar m 2	Telehealth	Consultations with first-time medication prescribed	NR	5304983	537144 (10.1)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 2.03 (95% CI: 2.02 to 2.031), p=NR	Age, sex, socioecono mic status, patient status, remoteness, primary health network, and the state of the practice
Cobo- Calbo, 2022 ³⁴	2c	Ar m 1	Face to face (2018)	Mean monthly treatment prescriptions	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 276 prescriptions	Continuou s data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 23 (SD 8)	NR	Ref	No
Cobo- Calbo, 2022 ³⁴	2c	Ar m 2	Face to face (2019)	Mean monthly treatment prescriptions	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 360 prescriptions	Continuou s data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 30 (SD 7)	NR	Ref	No
Cobo- Calbo, 2022 ³⁴	2c	Ar m 1	Telehealth (2020)	Mean monthly treatment prescriptions	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 289 prescriptions	Continuou s data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 24.1 (SD 7)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 and Arm 2 p-value only: Compared to Arm1: p=0.727 Compared to Arm2: p=0.049	No

Author, Year	Categor y	Ar m	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Time Point of Analysi s	N at Analysis	Participan ts With Outcomes , n (%)	Within Arm Comparis on	Between Arm Comparis on	Adjusted
Cobo- Calbo, 2022 ³⁴	2c	Ar m 2	Telehealth extension period (Jan- May 2021)	Mean monthly treatment prescriptions	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Continuou s data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 23.2 (SD 5.5)	NR	Ref: Arm 2 and Arm 3 p-value only: Compared to Arm1: p=0.072 Compared to Arm2: p=0.805	No
Lindhage n, 2022 ⁷⁶	2c	Ar m 1	Pre- pandemic (in-person)	Increased medication	NR	868	NR (21.3)	NR	Ref	No
Lindhage n, 2022 ⁷⁶	2c	Ar m 2	Pandemic (telemedicin e)	Increased medication	NR	891	NR (22.2)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.641	No
Lindhage n, 2022 ⁷⁶	2c	Ar m 1	Pre- pandemic (in-person)	Decreased medication	NR	868	NR (6.1)	NR	Ref	No
Lindhage n, 2022 ⁷⁶	2c	Ar m 2	Pandemic (telemedicin e)	Decreased medication	NR	891	NR (5.9)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.914	No
Lindhage n, 2022 ⁷⁶	2c	Ar m 1	Pre- pandemic (in-person)	No change in medication	NR	868	NR (76.1)	NR	Ref	No
Lindhage n, 2022 ⁷⁶	2c	Ar m 2	Pandemic (telemedicin e)	No change in medication	NR	891	NR (75.3)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.713	No
Mair, 2021 ⁸⁰	2c	Ar m 1	Pre-COVID (2019)	No change in disease- modifying antirheumatic drugs	NR	210	152 (72.4)	NR	Ref	No

Author, Year Mair, 2021 ⁸⁰	Categor y 2c	Ar m Ar m 2	Arm Definition Telerheum	Outcome Definition No change in disease- modifying antirheumatic drugs	Time Point of Analysi s NR	N at Analysis 340	Participan ts With Outcomes , n (%) 285 (73.9)	Within Arm Comparis on NR	Between Arm Comparis on Ref: Arm1 Difference in proportion: 0.11 (95%	Adjusted No
									CI: 0.04 to 0.19), p=Significa nt	
Mair, 2021 ⁸⁰	2c	Ar m 1	Pre-COVID (2019)	Start new disease- modifying antirheumatic drugs	NR	210	22 (10.5)	NR	Ref	No
Mair, 2021 ⁸⁰	2c	Ar m 2	Telerheum	Start new disease- modifying antirheumatic drugs	NR	340	20 (5.9)	NR	Ref: Arm1 Difference in proportion: -0.05 (95% CI: -0.1 to 0), p=NS	No
Mair, 2021 ⁸⁰	2c	Ar m 1	Pre-COVID (2019)	Stop disease- modifying antirheumatic drugs	NR	210	3 (1.4)	NR	Ref	No
Mair, 2021 ⁸⁰	2c	Ar m 2	Telerheum	Stop disease- modifying antirheumatic drugs	NR	340	8 (2.4)	NR	Ref: Arm1 Difference in proportion: 0.01 (95% Cl: -0.02 to 0.03), p=NS	No
Mair, 2021 ⁸⁰	2c	Ar m 1	Pre-COVID (2019)	Increased dose of disease- modifying antirheumatic drugs	NR	210	12 (5.7)	NR	Ref	No

Author, Year	Categor y	Ar m	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Time Point of Analysi s	N at Analysis	Participan ts With Outcomes , n (%)	Within Arm Comparis on	Between Arm Comparis on	Adjusted
Mair, 2021 ⁸⁰	2c	Ar m 2	Telerheum	Increased dose of disease- modifying antirheumatic drugs	NR	340	11 (3.2)	NR	Ref: Arm1 Difference in proportion: -0.02 (95% CI: -0.07 to 0.01), p=NS	No
Mair, 2021 ⁸⁰	2c	Ar m 1	Pre-COVID (2019)	Decreased dose of disease- modifying antirheumatic drugs	NR	210	15 (7.1)	NR	Ref	No
Mair, 2021 ⁸⁰	2c	Ar m 2	Telerheum	Decreased dose of disease- modifying antirheumatic drugs	NR	340	14 (4.1)	NR	Ref: Arm1 Difference in proportion: -0.03 (95% CI: -0.08 to 0.01), p=NS	No
Mair, 2021 ⁸⁰	2c	Ar m 1	Pre-COVID (2019)	Changed route of disease- modifying antirheumatic drugs administration	NR	210	2 (1)	NR	Ref	No
Mair, 2021 ⁸⁰	2c	Ar m 2	Telerheum	Changed route of disease- modifying antirheumatic drugs administration	NR	340	1 (0.3)	NR	Ref: Arm1 Difference in proportion: -0.01 (95% CI: -0.03 to 0.01), p=NS	No
Mair, 2021 ⁸⁰	2c	Ar m 1	Pre-COVID (2019)	Further disease- modifying antirheumatic drugs infusion	NR	210	4 (1.9)	NR	Ref	No

Author, Year	Categor v	Ar m	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Time Point of Analysi s	N at Analysis	Participan ts With Outcomes , n (%)	Within Arm Comparis on	Between Arm Comparis on	Adjusted
Mair, 2021 ⁸⁰	2c	Ar m 2	Telerheum	Further disease- modifying antirheumatic drugs infusion	NR	340	1 (0.3)	NR	Ref: Arm1 Difference in proportion: -0.02 (95% Cl: -0.05 to 0), p=NS	No
Mair, 2021 ⁸⁰	2c	Ar m 1	Pre-COVID (2019)	Other medication change	NR	210	33 (15.7)	NR	Ref	No
Mair, 2021 ⁸⁰	2c	Ar m 2		Other medication change	NR	340	40 (11.8)	NR	Ref: Arm1 Difference in proportion: -0.04 (95% Cl: -0.1 to 0.02), p=NS	Νο
Mair, 2021 ⁸⁰	2c	Ar m 1	Pre-COVID (2019)	Non- pharmacological management	NR	210	35 (16.7)	NR	Ref	No
Mair, 2021 ⁸⁰	2c	Ar m 2	Telerheum	Non- pharmacological management	NR	340	35 (10.3)	NR	Ref: Arm1 Difference in proportion: -0.06 (95% CI: -0.13 to -0.01), p=Significa nt	No
Mair, 2021 ⁸⁰	2c	Ar m 1	Pre-COVID (2019)	Any medication change	NR	210	79 (37.6)	NR	Ref	No

Author, Year	Categor y	Ar m	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Time Point of Analysi s	N at Analysis	Participan ts With Outcomes , n (%)	Within Arm Comparis on	Between Arm Comparis on	Adjusted
Mair, 2021 ⁸⁰	2c	Ar m 2	Telerheum	Any medication change	NR	340	84 (24.7)	NR	Ref: Arm1 Difference in proportion: -0.13 (95% CI: -0.21 to -0.05), p=Significa nt	No
Offiah, 2022 ⁹¹	2c	Ar m 1	Traditional clinic	Patients ≥ 1 management change	NR	1220	470 (38.5)	NR	Ref	No
Offiah, 2022 ⁹¹	2c	Ar m 2	Virtual clinic	Patients ≥ 1 management change	NR	496	99 (19.9)	NR	Ref: Assuming Arm1 p-value only: p=<0.0000 1	No
Offiah, 2022 ⁹¹	2c	Ar m 1	Traditional clinic	Medication changes	NR	1220	390 (31.9)	NR	Ref	No
Offiah, 2022 ⁹¹	2c	Ar m 2	Virtual clinic	Medication changes	NR	496	80 (16.1)	NR	Ref: Assuming Arm1 p-value only: p=<0.0000 1	No
Sharma, 2020 ¹¹⁷	2c	Ar m 1	IBD Services before COVID (2019)	Medication dose escalation	32 days	50	8 (16)	NR	REF	No
Sharma, 2020 ¹¹⁷	2c	Ar m 2	IBD Services after COVID (2020)	Medication dose escalation	32 days	45	8 (18)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Fisher's exact test: NR, p=>.99	No

Author, Year	Categor v	Ar m	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Time Point of Analysi s	N at Analysis	Participan ts With Outcomes , n (%)	Within Arm Comparis on	Between Arm Comparis on	Adjusted
Sharma, 2020 ¹¹⁷	2c	Ar m 1	IBD Services before COVID (2019)	Start immunomodulato r	32 days	50	3 (6)	NR	REF	No
Sharma, 2020 ¹¹⁷	2c	Ar m 2	IBD Services after COVID (2020)	Start immunomodulato r	32 days	45	1 (2)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Fisher's exact test: NR, p=0.61	No
Sharma, 2020 ¹¹⁷	2c	Ar m 2	IBD Services after COVID (2020)	Start Biologic agent	32 days	50	19 (38)		REF	No
Sharma, 2020 ¹¹⁷	2c	Ar m 2	IBD Services after COVID (2020)	Start Biologic agent	32 days	45	29 (64)		p=0.01	No
Sharma, 2020 ¹¹⁷	2c	Ar m 2	IBD Services after COVID (2020)	Switch Biologic agent	32 days	50	20 (40)		REF	No
Sharma, 2020 ¹¹⁷	2c	Ar m 2	IBD Services after COVID (2020)	Switch Biologic agent	32 days	45	7 (16)		p=0.01	No
Zhu, 2021 ¹³³	2c	Ar m 1	2019 cohort (face to face)	Changes in analgesia	NR	1286	96 (7.5)	NR	Ref	No
Zhu, 2021 ¹³³	2c	Ar m 2	2020 cohort (telehealth)	Changes in analgesia	NR	1493	79 (5.3)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 0.69 (95% CI: 0.509 to 0.942), p=0.019	No
Zhu, 2021 ¹³³	2c	Ar m 1	2019 cohort (face to face)	Clinicians chage immunosuppress ive therapy	NR	1286	352 (27.4)	NR	Ref	No

Author, Year	Categor y	Ar m	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Time Point of Analysi s	N at Analysis	Participan ts With Outcomes , n (%)	Within Arm Comparis on	Between Arm Comparis on	Adjusted
Zhu, 2021 ¹³³	2c	Ar m 2	2020 cohort (telehealth)	Clinicians chage immunosuppress ive therapy	NR	1493	338 (22.6)	NR	Ref: Arm1 Odds ratio: 0.78 (95% Cl: 0.654 to 0.923), p=0.004	No

1a=general medical care, adults; 1b=general medical care, children; 1c=general medical care, all ages; 2a=specialized care, COVID-19; 2b=specialized care, pregnany/prenatal/gynecological; 2c=specialized care, other; 3=surgical care; 4=general behavioural; 5=physical rehabilitation; CI=confidence interval; IBD=irritable bowel disease; N=sample size; NR=not reported; NS=non-significant; OR=odds ratio; p=p-valu; Ref=reference; SD=standard deviation

Author, Year	Categor y	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participant s With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjuste d
De Marchi, 2021 ⁴³	2c	Full group	Change in the patient's medication regimen for neurological management	Full group	NR	19	11 (57.89)	NR	NR	No
Russo, 2021 ¹⁰⁸	2c	Full group	Medical intervention - Anticoagulant Treatment	Receiving medical interventio n	NR	69	17 (0.25)	NR	NR	No
Russo, 2021 ¹⁰⁸	2c	Full group	Medical intervention - Antihypertensiv e Treatment	Receiving medical interventio n	NR	69	9 (0.13)	NR	NR	No
Russo, 2021 ¹⁰⁸	2c	Full group	Medical intervention - Lipid Lowering Treatment	Receiving medical interventio n	NR	69	43 (0.62)	NR	NR	No
Sevilis, 2022 ¹¹⁴	2c	Arm 1	ED thrombolytics	full group	24 hours	15226	1071 (7.9)	NR	Ref	No
Sevilis, 2022 ¹¹⁴	2c	Arm 2	ED thrombolytics	full group	24 hours	11105	813 (8.2)	NR	Ref: Assuming Arm1 p-value only: p=0.443	No

 Table D.7.6. Process outcome (change in therapy/medication) results of non-comparison studies (Key Question 2)

2c=specialized care, other; ED=emergency department; N=sample size; NR=not reported; Ref=reference

Table D.7.7. Process outcome (therapy/medication adherence) results of studies comparing in-person versus telehealth interventions (Key Question 2)

Author, Year	Cate- gory	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
McNamara, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 1	Face to face	Medication related problem: non- adherence (per encounter)	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 341	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.01 (SD 0.14)	NR	Ref	No
McNamara, 2021 ⁸⁷	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Medication related problem: non- adherence (per encounter)	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 151	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.01 (SD 0.08)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=1	No
Zimmerman, 2021 ¹³⁴	1a	Arm 1	In-person	Completed treatment	full group	NR	207	NR (62.3)	NR	Ref	No
Zimmerman, 2021 ¹³⁴	1a	Arm 2	Telehealth	Completed treatment	full group	NR	207	NR (72.9)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p≤0.05	No
Baughman, 2021 ²¹	2c	Arm 1	Office	Adherent to treatment, all specialties with Type 2 diabetes	full group	6 months	29029	19775 (68.1)	NR	Ref	No
Baughman, 2021 ²¹	2c	Arm 2	Telemedicine (not specified)	Adherent to treatment, all specialties with Type 2 diabetes	full group	6 months	4822	2904 (60.2)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Difference %: 7.9, p=<0.001	No
Baughman, 2021 ²¹	2c	Arm 3	Telemedicine+Office	Adherent to treatment, all specialties with Type 2 diabetes	full group	6 months	33851	22679 (67)	NR	NR	No

Author, Year	Cate- gory	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Baughman, 2021 ²¹	2c	Arm 1	Office	Adherent to treatment, all specialties without Type 2 diabetes	full group	6 months	25843	13278 (51.4)	NR	Ref	No
Baughman, 2021 ²¹	2c	Arm 2	Telemedicine (not specified)	Adherent to treatment, all specialties without Type 2 diabetes	full group	6 months	4028	2056 (51)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Difference %: 0.4, p=0.64	No
Baughman, 2021 ²¹	2c	Arm 3	Telemedicine+Office	Adherent to treatment, all specialties without Type 2 diabetes	full group	6 months	29871	15334 (51.3)	NR	NR	No
Baughman, 2021 ²¹	2c	Arm 1	Office	Adherent to treatment, all specialties (total N)	full group	6 months	54872	33053 (60.2)	NR	Ref	No
Baughman, 2021 ²¹	2c	Arm 2	Telemedicine (not specified)	Adherent to treatment, all specialties (total N)	full group	6 months	8850	4960 (56)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Difference %: 4.2, p=<0.001	No
Baughman, 2021 ²¹	2c	Arm 3	Telemedicine+Office	Adherent to treatment, all specialties (total N)	full group	6 months	63722	38013 (59.7)	NR	NR	No

Author, Year	Cate- gory	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Baughman, 2021 ²¹	2c	Arm 1	Office	Family medicine, all specialties with Type 2 diabetes	full group	6 months	19675	12954 (65.8)	NR	Ref	No
Baughman, 2021 ²¹	2c	Arm 2	Telemedicine (not specified)	Family medicine, all specialties with Type 2 diabetes	full group	6 months	2760	1675 (60.7)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Difference %: 5.1, p=<0.001	No
Baughman, 2021 ²¹	2c	Arm 3	Telemedicine+Office	Family medicine, all specialties with Type 2 diabetes	full group	6 months	22435	14629 (65.2)	NR	NR	No
Baughman, 2021 ²¹	2c	Arm 1	Office	Family medicine, all specialties without Type 2 diabetes	full group	6 months	17332	8828 (50.9)	NR	Ref	No
Baughman, 2021 ²¹	2c	Arm 2	Telemedicine (not specified)	Family medicine, all specialties without Type 2 diabetes	full group	6 months	2141	1087 (50.8)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Difference %: 0.1, p=0.93	No
Baughman, 2021 ²¹	2c	Arm 3	Telemedicine+Office	Family medicine, all specialties without Type 2 diabetes	full group	6 months	19473	9915 (50.9)	NR	NR	No

Author, Year	Cate- gory	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Baughman, 2021 ²¹	2c	Arm 1	Office	Family medicine, all specialties (total N)	full group	6 months	37007	21782 (58.9)	NR	Ref	No
Baughman, 2021 ²¹	2c	Arm 2	Telemedicine (not specified)	Family medicine, all specialties (total N)	full group	6 months	4901	2762 (56.4)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Difference %: 2.5, p=0.01	No
Baughman, 2021 ²¹	2c	Arm 3	Telemedicine+Office	Family medicine, all specialties (total N)	full group	6 months	41908	24544 (58.6)	NR	NR	No
Baughman, 2021 ²¹	2c	Arm 1	Office	Other specialties, all specialties with Type 2 diabetes	full group	6 months	9534	6821 (72.9)	NR	Ref	No
Baughman, 2021 ²¹	2c	Arm 2	Telemedicine (not specified)	Other specialties, all specialties with Type 2 diabetes	full group	6 months	2062	1229 (59.6)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Difference %: 13.3, p=<0.001	No
Baughman, 2021 ²¹	2c	Arm 3	Telemedicine+Office	Other specialties, all specialties with Type 2 diabetes	full group	6 months	11416	8050 (70.5)	NR	NR	No
Baughman, 2021 ²¹	2c	Arm 1	Office	Other specialties, all specialties without Type 2 diabetes	full group	6 months	8511	4450 (52.3)	NR	Ref	No

Author, Year	Cate- gory	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Baughman, 2021 ²¹	2c	Arm 2	Telemedicine (not specified)	Other specialties, all specialties without Type 2 diabetes	full group	6 months	1887	969 (51.4)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Difference %: 1.8, p=0.16	No
Baughman, 2021 ²¹	2c	Arm 3	Telemedicine+Office	Other specialties, all specialties without Type 2 diabetes	full group	6 months	10398	5419 (52.1)	NR	NR	No
Baughman, 2021 ²¹	2c	Arm 1	Office	Other specialties, all specialties (total N)	full group	6 months	17865	11271 (63.1)	NR	Ref	No
Baughman, 2021 ²¹	2c	Arm 2	Telemedicine (not specified)	Other specialties, all specialties (total N)	full group	6 months	3949	2198 (55.7)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Difference %: 7.4, p=<0.001	No
Baughman, 2021 ²¹	2c	Arm 3	Telemedicine+Office	Other specialties, all specialties (total N)	full group	6 months	21814	13469 (61.7)	NR	NR	No
Cvietusa, 2022 ³⁹	2c	Arm 1	No asthma care	Proportion of days covered	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 2977	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.489 (SE 0.007)	NR	Ref	Age, sex, race, baseline value of outcome

Author, Year	Cate- gory	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Cvietusa, 2022 ³⁹	2c	Arm 2	In-person only	Proportion of days covered	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 1792	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.446 (SE 0.008)	NR	Ref: Assuming Arm1 p-value only: p=<0.001	Age, sex, race, baseline value of outcome
Cvietusa, 2022 ³⁹	2c	Arm 3	Mixed (in-person and virtual)	Proportion of days covered	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 1084	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.497 (SE 0.01)	NR	Ref: Assuming Arm1 p-value only: p=<0.001	Age, sex, race, baseline value of outcome
Cvietusa, 2022 ³⁹	2c	Arm 4	Virtual care only	Proportion of days covered	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 1952	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.476 (SE 0.008)	NR	Ref: Assuming Arm1 p-value only: p=<0.001	Age, sex, race, baseline value of outcome
Garmendia, 2021 ⁵¹	2c	Arm 1	Individuals with Sleep Apnea attending outpatient clinic, pre-covid/in- person	CPAP Compliance	full group	193	NR	NR	NR	Ref	No
Garmendia, 2021 ⁵¹	2c	Arm 2	Individuals with Sleep Apnea attending outpatient clinic, post-covid, telehealth	CPAP Compliance	full group	77	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Chi- squared: NR, p=0.099	No
Garmendia, 2021 ⁵¹	2c	Arm 1	Individuals with Sleep Apnea attending outpatient clinic, pre-covid/in- person	CPAP Compliance	Matching Cohort	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref	No

Author, Year	Cate- gory	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Garmendia, 2021 ⁵¹	2c	Arm 2	Individuals with Sleep Apnea attending outpatient clinic, post-covid, telehealth	CPAP Compliance	Matching Cohort	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Chi- squared: NR, p=0.071	No
Garmendia, 2021 ⁵¹	2c	Arm 1	Individuals with Sleep Apnea attending outpatient clinic, pre-covid/in- person	CPAP Compliance	full group	193	NR	NR	NR	Ref	Yes
Garmendia, 2021 ⁵¹	2c	Arm 2	Individuals with Sleep Apnea attending outpatient clinic, post-covid, telehealth	CPAP Compliance	full group	77	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Linear Regression: NR, p=0.106	Yes
Garmendia, 2021 ⁵¹	2c	Arm 1	Individuals with Sleep Apnea attending outpatient clinic, pre-covid/in- person	CPAP Compliance	Matching Cohort	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref	Yes
Garmendia, 2021 ⁵¹	2c	Arm 2	Individuals with Sleep Apnea attending outpatient clinic, post-covid, telehealth	CPAP Compliance	Matching Cohort	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Linear Regression: NR, p=0.201	Yes
McCoy, 2022 ⁸⁵	2c	Arm 1	In-person before telemedicine	Surgery performed	full group	NR	113	41 (36.3)	NR	NR	No
McCoy, 2022 ⁸⁵	2c	Arm 2	Telemedicine	Surgery performed	full group	NR	59	24 (40.7)	NR	NR	No
McCoy, 2022 ⁸⁵	2c	Arm 3	In-person during telemedicine	Surgery performed	full group	NR	4	2 (50)	NR	NR	No
Cunningham, 2022 ³⁸	4	Arm 1	Pre-pandemic (in- person)	90- day treatment retention	full group	90 days	72	24 (33.3)	NR	NR	No
Cunningham, 2022 ³⁸	4	Arm 2	Pandemic (telemedicine)	90- day treatment retention	full group	90 days	35	17 (48.6)	NR	NR	No
Fortier, 2022 ⁴⁷	4	Arm 1	In-person (usual care)	Dropout	full group	24 weeks	29	7 (24)	NR	Ref	No

Author, Year	Cate- gory	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Sub- group	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjusted
Fortier, 2022 ⁴⁷	4	Arm 2	Telehealth (virtual care)	Dropout	full group	24 weeks	45	8 (18)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Chi squared: p=0.506	No
Fortier, 2022 ⁴⁷	4	Arm 1	In-person (usual care)	Treatment completers	full group	24 weeks	29	22 (76)	NR	Ref	No
Fortier, 2022 ⁴⁷	4	Arm 2	Telehealth (virtual care)	Treatment completers	full group	24 weeks	45	37 (82)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Chi squared: p=0.506	No
Fortier, 2022 ⁴⁷	4	Arm 1	In-person (usual care)	Attendance	full group	24 weeks	29	NR (75)	NR	Ref	No
Fortier, 2022 ⁴⁷	4	Arm 2	Telehealth (virtual care)	Attendance	full group	24 weeks	45	NR (88)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Z-score: p=0.007	No
Ripp, 2022 ¹⁰⁴	4	Arm 1	In-person (2019)	Completed follow up visits	full group	NR	1077	NR	NR	Ref	Age, sex, race, ethnicity, insurance type, and week of visit
Ripp, 2022 ¹⁰⁴	4	Arm 2	Telehealth (2020)	Completed follow up visits	full group	NR	354	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 1.57 (95% Cl: 1.23 to 2), p=<0.001	Age, sex, race, ethnicity, insurance type, and week of visit

la=general medical care, adults; 1b=general medical care, children; 1c=general medical care, all ages; 2a=specialized care, COVID-19; 2b=specialized care, pregnany/prenatal/gynecological; 2c=specialized care, other; 3=surgical care; 4=general behavioural; 5=physical rehabilitation; N=sample size; NR=not reported; p=p-value; Ref=reference; CPAP= continuous positive airway pressure; SD=standard deviation

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgro up	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Compariso n	Adjuste d
Malliaras, 2020 ⁸¹	1a	Arm 1	Advice only	Exercise adherence	Full group	12 weeks	12	NR	NR	NR	No
Malliaras, 2020 ⁸¹	1a	Arm 2	Recomme nded care	Exercise adherence	Full group	12 weeks	12	11 (92)	NR	NR	No
Malliaras, 2020 ⁸¹	1a	Arm 3	Recomme nded and telerehabil itation	Exercise adherence	Full group	12 weeks	12	8 (67)	NR	NR	No

 Table D.7.8. Process outcome (therapy/medication) results of non-comparison studies (Key Question 2)

1a=general medical care, adults; N=sample size; NR=not reported

Author, Year Arias, 2022 ¹⁹	Cate- gory 2b	Arm Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition Completion	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis NR	N at Analysis	Partic- ipants With Outcomes, n (%) 12 (26.7)	Withi n Arm Com- paris on NR	Between Arm Com- parison Ref	Adjust-ed
	20	1	telehealth implement ation, diabetic patients	of postpartum glucose tolerance test			40	12 (20.7)	NX	Nei	insurance status, and length of hospital stay
Arias, 2022 ¹⁹	2b	Arm 2	Post- telehealth implement ation, diabetic patients	Completion of postpartum glucose tolerance test	full group	NR	59	15 (25.4)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 0.99 (95% CI: 0.37 to 2.68), p=0.89	Race, insurance status, and length of hospital stay
Cobo-Calbo, 2022 ³⁴	2c	Arm 1	Face to face (2018)	Mean monthly visits	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 2207 scans	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 183.9 (SD 29.1)	NR	Ref	No
Cobo-Calbo, 2022 ³⁴	2c	Arm 2	Face to face (2019)	Mean monthly visits	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 2356 scans	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 196 (SD 17.5)	NR	Ref	No

Table D.7.9. Process outcome (up to date labs and paraclinical assessment) results of studies comparing in-person versus telehealth interventions (Key Question 2)

Author, Year	Cate- gory	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Partic- ipants With Outcomes, n (%)	Withi n Arm Com- paris on	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjust-ed
Cobo-Calbo, 2022 ³⁴	2c	Arm 3	Telehealth (2020)	Mean monthly visits	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 2202 scans	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 183.5 (SD 68.9)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 and Arm 2 p-value only: p=Comp ared to Arm1: p=0.984 Compare d to Arm2: p=0.538	Νο
Lindhagen, 2022 ⁷⁶	2c	Arm 1	Pre- telephone clinic (face to face)	Ulcerative colitis, Proportion of patients with surveillance colonoscopy	full group	NR	814	76 (15)	NR	Ref	Νο
Lindhagen, 2022 ⁷⁶	2c	Arm 2	Post- introductio n (telephone)	Ulcerative colitis, Proportion of patients with surveillance colonoscopy	full group	NR	910	49 (9.4)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.007	No
Lindhagen, 2022 ⁷⁶	2c	Arm 1	Pre- telephone clinic (face to face)	Crohn's disease, Proportion of patients with surveillance colonoscopy	full group	NR	814	17 (5.1)	NR	Ref	No

Author, Year	Cate- gory	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Partic- ipants With Outcomes, n (%)	Withi n Arm Com- paris on	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjust-ed
Lindhagen, 2022 ⁷⁶	2c	Arm 2	Post- introductio n (telephone)	Crohn's disease, Proportion of patients with surveillance colonoscopy	full group	NR	910	11 (3.3)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.224	No
Lindhagen, 2022 ⁷⁶	2c	Arm 1	Pre- telephone clinic (face to face)	Ulcerative colitis, Proportion of patients with activity control colonoscopy	full group	NR	814	55 (10.8)	NR	Ref	No
Lindhagen, 2022 ⁷⁶	2c	Arm 2	Post- introductio n (telephone)	Ulcerative colitis, Proportion of patients with activity control colonoscopy	full group	NR	910	64 (12.3)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.514	No
Lindhagen, 2022 ⁷⁶	2c	Arm 1	Pre- telephone clinic (face to face)	Crohn's disease, Proportion of patients with activity control colonoscopy	full group	NR	814	43 (13)	NR	Ref	No
Lindhagen, 2022 ⁷⁶	2c	Arm 2	Post- introductio n (telephone)	Crohn's disease, Proportion of patients with activity control colonoscopy	full group	NR	910	40 (11.8)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.65	No

Author, Year	Cate- gory	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Partic- ipants With Outcomes, n (%)	Withi n Arm Com- paris on	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjust-ed
Liu, 2021 ⁷⁷	2c	Arm 1	Pre-COVID clinic patients at various outpatient facilities	Pathology Test/Consult ation Ordered	full group	5 days	692	492 (71.1)	NR	REF	No
Liu, 2021 ⁷⁷	2c	Arm 2	Post- COVID clinic patients at various outpatient facilities	Pathology Test/Consult ation Ordered	full group	5 days	683	582 (85.2)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Assumed t-test: NR, p≤0.001	No
Liu, 2021 ⁷⁷	2c	Arm 1	Pre-COVID clinic patients at various outpatient facilities	Pathology Test/Consult ation Completed	full group	5 days	492	426 (86.6)	NR	REF	No
Liu, 202177	2c	Arm 2	Post- COVID clinic patients at various outpatient facilities	Pathology Test/Consult ation Completed	full group	5 days	582	443 (76.1)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Assumed t-test: NR, p≤0.001	No
Liu, 202177	2c	Arm 1	Pre-COVID clinic patients at various outpatient facilities	Radiology Test/Consult ation Ordered	full group	5 days	692	295 (42.6)	NR	REF	No
Liu, 202177	2c	Arm 2	Post- COVID clinic patients at various outpatient facilities	Radiology Test/Consult ation Ordered	full group	5 days	682	345 (50.6)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Assumed t-test: NR, p=0.003	No

Author, Year	Cate- gory	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Partic- ipants With Outcomes, n (%)	Withi n Arm Com- paris on	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjust-ed
Liu, 2021 ⁷⁷	2c	Arm 1	Pre-COVID clinic patients at various outpatient facilities	Radiology Test/Consult ation Completed	full group	5 days	295	247 (83.7)	NR	REF	No
Liu, 2021 ⁷⁷	2c	Arm 2	Post- COVID clinic patients at various outpatient facilities	Radiology Test/Consult ation Completed	full group	5 days	345	229 (66.4)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Assumed t-test: NR, p≤0.001	No
Ostberg, 2022 ⁹⁴	2c	Arm 1	In-person	Order class: All	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 455	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Median: 9 (IQR 6, 12)	NR	Ref	Age, gender, billing level, insurance status, and length of stay
Ostberg, 2022 ⁹⁴	2c	Arm 2	Telehealth (Zoom)	Order class: All	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 455	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Median: 10 (IQR 7, 14)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Rate Ratio: 1.19 (95% CI: 1.11 to 1.28, p=<0.00 1	Age, gender, billing level, insurance status, and length of stay
Ostberg, 2022 ⁹⁴	2c	Arm 1	In-person	Order class: Imaging	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 455	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Median: 1 (IQR 0, 1)	NR	Ref	Age, gender, billing level, insurance status, and length of stay

Author, Year	Cate- gory	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Partic- ipants With Outcomes, n (%)	Withi n Arm Com- paris on	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjust-ed
Ostberg, 2022 ⁹⁴	2c	Arm 2	Telehealth (Zoom)	Order class: Imaging	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 455	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Median: 1 (IQR 1, 1)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Rate Ratio: 1.16 (95% CI: 1.04 to 1.3, p=0.006	Age, gender, billing level, insurance status, and length of stay
Ostberg, 2022 ⁹⁴	2c	Arm 1	In-person	Order class: Labs	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 455	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Median: 6 (IQR 4, 8)	NR	Ref	Age, gender, billing level, insurance status, and length of stay
Ostberg, 2022 ⁹⁴	2c	Arm 2	Telehealth (Zoom)	Order class: Labs	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 455	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Median: 6 (IQR 5, 8)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Rate Ratio: 1.08 (95% CI: 1.01 to 1.16, p=0.02	Age, gender, billing level, insurance status, and length of stay
Ostberg, 2022 ⁹⁴	2c	Arm 1	In-person	Order class: Medications	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 455	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Median: 0 (IQR 0, 1)	NR	Ref	Age, gender, billing level, insurance status, and length of stay

Author, Year	Cate- gory	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Partic- ipants With Outcomes, n (%)	Withi n Arm Com- paris on	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjust-ed
Ostberg, 2022 ⁹⁴	2c	Arm 2	Telehealth (Zoom)	Order class: Medications	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 455	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Median: 0 (IQR 0, 1)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Rate Ratio: 0.89 (95% CI: 0.72 to 1.1, p=0.279	Age, gender, billing level, insurance status, and length of stay
Ostberg, 2022 ⁹⁴	2c	Arm 1	In-person	Order class: Nursing orders	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 455	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Median: 0 (IQR 0, 1)	NR	Ref	Age, gender, billing level, insurance status, and length of stay
Ostberg, 2022 ⁹⁴	2c	Arm 2	Telehealth (Zoom)	Order class: Nursing orders	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 455	Continuous data Baseline: NR Followup: Median: 1 (IQR 1, 4)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Rate Ratio: 1.87 (95% CI: 1.56 to 2.23, p=<0.00 1	Age, gender, billing level, insurance status, and length of stay
Parise, 2021 ⁹⁵	2c	Arm 1	Not included in telemedicin e study	Continuous glucose monitoring	full group	NR	43	7 (16)	NR	Ref	No
Parise, 202195	2c	Arm 2	Included in telemedicin e study	Continuous glucose monitoring	full group	NR	166	155 (93.4)	NR	p≤0.001	No
Reddy, 2021 ¹⁰¹	2c	Arm 1	Before virtual care (in-person)	Laboratory testing	full group	4 weeks before transition	763	265 (34.7)	NR	Ref	No

Author, Year	Cate- gory	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Partic- ipants With Outcomes, n (%)	Withi n Arm Com- paris on	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjust-ed
Reddy, 2021 ¹⁰¹	2c	Arm 2	Transition to virtual care	Laboratory testing	full group	1 week during transition	168	58 (34.5)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=<0.00 01	No
Reddy, 2021 ¹⁰¹	2c	Arm 3	After transition to virtual care	Laboratory testing	full group	4 weeks after transition	813	105 (12.9)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=<0.00 01	No
Reddy, 2021 ¹⁰¹	2c	Arm 1	Before virtual care (in-person)	Diagnostic imaging	full group	4 weeks before transition	763	112 (14.7)	NR	Ref	No
Reddy, 2021 ¹⁰¹	2c	Arm 2	Transition to virtual care	Diagnostic imaging	full group	1 week during transition	168	17 (10.1)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=<0.00 01	No
Reddy, 2021 ¹⁰¹	2c	Arm 3	After transition to virtual care	Diagnostic imaging	full group	4 weeks after transition	813	40 (4.9)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=<0.00 01	No
Reddy, 2021 ¹⁰¹	2c	Arm 1	Before virtual care (in-person)	Procedures (biopsy, paracentesi s, acupuncture , endoscopy, catheter exchanges, etc.)	full group	4 weeks before transition	763	16 (2.1)	NR	Ref	No

Author, Year	Cate- gory	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Partic- ipants With Outcomes, n (%)	Withi n Arm Com- paris on	Between Arm Com- parison	Adjust-ed
Reddy, 2021 ¹⁰¹	2c	Arm 2	Transition to virtual care	Procedures (biopsy, paracentesi s, acupuncture , endoscopy, catheter exchanges, etc.)	full group	1 week during transition	168	1 (0.6)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.0223	No
Reddy, 2021 ¹⁰¹	2c	Arm 3	After transition to virtual care	Procedures (biopsy, paracentesi s, acupuncture , endoscopy, catheter exchanges, etc.)	full group	4 weeks after transition	813	5 (0.6)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: p=0.0223	No

2b=specialized care, pregnany/prenatal/gynecological; 2c=specialized care, other; N=sample size; NR=not reported; p=p-value; Ref=reference; IQR=interquartile range; CI=confidence interval

Author, Year	Category	Arm	Arm Definition	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Com- parison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Akama- Garren, 2021 ¹⁵	2a	Arm 1	Patients triaged by Medical students at a respiratory clinic - Cleared	COVID-19 Test (post- RIC)	full group	214 Days	693	231 (33)	NR	Ref: Arm 2, Arm 3, Arm 4 Chi-Squared: NR, p=0.00625	Νο
Akama- Garren, 2021 ¹⁵	2a	Arm 2	Patients triaged by Medical students at a respiratory clinic - Referred to Clinic (RIC)	COVID-19 Test (post- RIC)	full group	214 Days	107	52 (49)	NR	NR	No
Akama- Garren, 2021 ¹⁵	2a	Arm 3	Patients triaged by Medical students at a respiratory clinic - Advised to isolate	COVID-19 Test (post- RIC)	full group	214 Days	478	163 (34)	NR	NR	No
Akama- Garren, 2021 ¹⁵	2a	Arm 4	Patients triaged by Medical students at a respiratory clinic - Referred to ED	COVID-19 Test (post- RIC)	full group	214 Days	8	5 (62)	NR	NR	No

 Table D.7.10. Process outcome (up to date labs and paraclinical assessment) results of non-comparison studies (Key Question 2)

2a=specialized care, COVID-19; N=sample size; NR=not reported; p=p-value; Ref=reference

Table D.8.1. Other outcome (categorical) results of studies investigating benefits and harms of telehealth during COVID-19 (Key Question 2)

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Compariso n	Adjusted
Aazh, 2021 ¹²	Full group	Declining video appointmen ts based on PTA for better ear	No hearing loss	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref	age and gender
Aazh, 2021 ¹²	Full group	Declining video appointmen ts based on PTA for better ear	Mild hearing loss	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: No hearing loss Relative risk: 3.5 (95% Cl: 1.06 to 11.4), p=0.04	age and gender
Aazh, 2021 ¹²	Full group	Declining video appointmen ts based on PTA for better ear	Moderate hearing loss	NR	NR	NR	NR	No hearing loss	age and gender
Aazh, 2021 ¹²	Full group	Declining video appointmen ts based on VAS scores for tinnitus annoyance	High tinnitus annoyance	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: NR Relative risk: 1.4 (95% Cl: 1.05 to 1.8), p=0.019	age and gender
Aiken, 2021 ¹⁴	Arm 1	Ectopic Managed Post- Treatment	full group	59 days	22197	2 (0.0001)	NR	Ref	No
Aiken, 2021 ¹⁴	Arm 2	Ectopic Managed Post- Treatment	full group	85 days	30021	10 (0.0003)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Chi Squared: NR, p=0.123	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Compariso n	Adjusted
Aiken, 2021 ¹⁴	Arm 1	Ectopic Managed Pre- Treatment	full group	59 days	22197	37 (0.0017)	NR	Ref	No
Aiken, 2021 ¹⁴	Arm 2	Ectopic Managed Pre- Treatment	full group	85 days	30021	39 (0.0013)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Chi Squared: NR, p=0.796	No
Aiken, 2021 ¹⁴	Arm 1	Gestational Age Later than expected	full group	59 days	22197	0 (0)	NR	Ref	No
Aiken, 2021 ¹⁴	Arm 1	Gestational Age Later than expected	full group	85 days	30021	11 (0.0004)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Chi Squared: NR, p=NR	No
Aiken, 2021 ¹⁴	Arm 1	Unsuccessf ul Medical Abortion	full group	59 days	22158	389 (0.018)	NR	Ref	No
Aiken, 2021 ¹⁴	Arm 2	Unsuccessf ul Medical Abortion	full group	85 days	29984	366 (0.012)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Chi Squared: NR, p=0.268	No
Aiken, 2021 ¹⁴	Arm 1	Unsuccessf ul: Opted to continue or known	full group	59 days	22158	3 (0.0001)	NR	Ref	No
Aiken, 2021 ¹⁴	Arm 2	Unsuccessf ul: Opted to continue or known	full group	85 days	29984	8 (0.0003)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Chi Squared: NR, p=NR	No
Aiken, 2021 ¹⁴	Arm 1	Unsuccessf ul: Retained products treated with surgical manageme nt	full group	59 days	22158	225 (0.01)	NR	Ref	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Compariso n	Adjusted
Aiken, 2021 ¹⁴	Arm 2	Unsuccessf ul: Retained products treated with surgical manageme nt	full group	85 days	29984	208 (0.007)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Chi Squared: NR, p=NR	No
Aiken, 2021 ¹⁴	Arm 1	Unsuccessf ul: Treated with surgical manageme nt	full group	59 days	22158	161 (0.007)	NR	Ref	No
Aiken, 2021 ¹⁴	Arm 2	Unsuccessf ul: Treated with surgical manageme nt	full group	85 days	29984	150 (0.005)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Chi Squared: NR, p=NR	No
Akama- Garren, 2021 ¹⁵	Arm 1	Outpatient Encounter	full group	214 Days	693	412 (59)	NR	NR	No
Akama- Garren, 2021 ¹⁵	Arm 2	Outpatient	full group	214 Days	107	63 (59)	NR	NR	No
Akama- Garren, 2021 ¹⁵	Arm 3	Outpatient Encounter	full group	214 Days	478	364 (76)	NR	NR	No
Akama- Garren, 2021 ¹⁵	Arm 4	Outpatient Encounter	full group	214 Days	8	4 (5)	NR	NR	No
Akama- Garren, 2021 ¹⁵	Arm 1	Total Encounters (post-RIC)	full group	214 Days	693	8 (NR)	NR	Ref: Arm 2, Arm 3, Arm 4 One-Way Analysis of Variance: NR, p=0.141	No
Akama- Garren, 2021 ¹⁵	Arm 2	Total Encounters (post-RIC)	full group	214 Days	107	8 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Akama- Garren, 2021 ¹⁵	Arm 3	Total Encounters (post-RIC)	full group	214 Days	478	8 (NR)	NR	NR	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Compariso n	Adjusted
Akama- Garren, 2021 ¹⁵	Arm 4	Total Encounters (post-RIC)	full group	214 Days	8	12 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Akerly, 2021 ¹⁶	Full group	Reported barriers to adherance	full group	6 week	7	4 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Bogin, 2022 ²²	Arm 1	Video visit length >=30min	Residents without readmission	NR	646	233 (52.4)	NR	Ref	No
Bogin, 2022 ²²	Arm 2	Video visit length >=30min	Residents with readmission	NR	76	26 (54)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: NR, p=0.81	No
Chesnel, 2021 ³³	Full group	Need to take a day- off	face to face consultation	NR	328	80 (24.4)	NR	NR	0
Chesnel, 2021 ³³	Full group	Need to take a day- off	telephone consultation	NR	328	23 (7)	NR	NR	0
Compton, 2020 ³⁵	Full group	Prescribed antibiotics and steroid taper	seen by multidisciplin ary telehealth team	38 days	38	2 (NR)	NR	NR	NR
Corden, 2020 ³⁶	Full group	Direct surgery referral	Individuals with lesions and prior imaging	14 days	118	66 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Corden, 2020 ³⁶	Full group	Discharged	Individuals with lesions and no prior imaging	14 days	22	4 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Corden, 2020 ³⁶	Full group	Discharged	Individuals with dermatoses and prior imaging	14 days	64	23 (0.359)	NR	NR	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Compariso n	Adjusted
Corden, 2020 ³⁶	Full group	Discharged	Individuals with dermatoses and no prior imaging	14 days	165	47 (0.285)	NR	NR	No
Corden, 2020 ³⁶	Full group	Discharged after advice/treat ment	Individuals with lesions and prior imaging	14 days	118	88 (0.34)	NR	NR	No
Corden, 2020 ³⁶	Full group	Follow-up after advice/treat ment	Individuals with lesions and prior imaging	14 days	118	129 (0.788)	NR	NR	No
Corden, 2020 ³⁶	Full group	Follow-up requested ("Clinical Review")	Individuals with lesions and no prior imaging	14 days	22	18 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Corden, 2020 ³⁶	Full group	Follow-up requested ("Clinical Review")	Individuals with dermatoses and prior imaging	14 days	64	34 (0.531)	NR	NR	No
Corden, 2020 ³⁶	Full group	Follow-up requested ("Clinical Review")	Individuals with dermatoses and no prior imaging	14 days	165	96 (0.582)	NR	NR	No
Corden, 2020 ³⁶	Full group	Surgery Referral - Mohs	Individuals with lesions and prior imaging	14 days	118	10 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Corden, 2020 ³⁶	Full group	Surgery Referral - Expedited	Individuals with lesions and prior imaging	14 days	118	4 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Corden, 2020 ³⁶	Full group	Surgery Referral - Routine	Individuals with lesions and prior imaging	14 days	118	52 (NR)	NR	NR	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Compariso n	Adjusted
Crawford, 2021 ³⁷	Full group	Surgery indication following in- person eval	full group	152 days	303	292 (0.96)	% change from baseline	NR	No
Darr, 2020 ⁴¹	Full group	Appointmen t was converted to face to face clinic	0	NR	200	20 (10)	NR	NR	No
Darr, 2020 ⁴¹	Full group	Discharged to primary care	0	NR	200	58 (29)	NR	NR	No
Darr, 2020 ⁴¹	Full group	Patients referred to different specialty within the same trust	0	NR	200	1 (0.5)	NR	NR	No
Darr, 2020 ⁴¹	Full group	Patients were listed for surgery	0	NR	200	18 (9)	NR	NR	No
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 1	Initiating contracepti on in the inpatient setting	Attended PPV	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Compariso n	Adjusted
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 1	Initiating contracepti on in the inpatient setting	Did not attend PPV	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 1.99 (95% Cl: 1.1 to 3.58), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Initiating contracepti on in the inpatient setting	PPV in- person	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 1.26 (95% Cl: 0.64 to 2.49), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Initiating contracepti on in the inpatient setting	PPV via telemedicine	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 1.45 (95% Cl: 0.75 to 2.81), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Compariso n	Adjusted
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Initiating contracepti on in the inpatient setting	Did not attend PPV	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 2.74 (95% Cl: 1.59 to 4.71), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 1	Initiating contracepti on in the outpatient setting	Attended PPV	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 1	Initiating contracepti on in the outpatient setting	Did not attend PPV	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 0.073 (95% CI: 0.03 to 0.18), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Compariso n	Adjusted
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Initiating contracepti on in the outpatient setting	PPV in- person	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 0.95 (95% CI: 0.69 to 1.31), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Initiating contracepti on in the outpatient setting	PPV via telemedicine	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 0.14 (95% Cl: 0.83 to 1.58), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Initiating contracepti on in the outpatient setting	Did not attend PPV	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 0.24 (95% Cl: 0.15 to 0.38), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Compariso n	Adjusted
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 1	Using any form of postpartum contracepti on	Attended PPV	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 1	Using any form of postpartum contracepti on	Did not attend PPV	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 0.41 (95% CI: 0.28 to 0.61), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Using any form of postpartum contracepti on	PPV in- person	NR	NR	NR	NR	Arm 1	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Compariso n	Adjusted
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Using any form of postpartum contracepti on	PPV via telemedicine	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 1.18 (95% CI: 0.87 to 1.61), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Using any form of postpartum contracepti on	Did not attend PPV	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 0.54 (95% Cl: 0.39 to 0.74), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Using any form of postpartum contracepti on	Did not attend PPV	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Compariso n	Adjusted
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Using any form of postpartum contracepti on	PPV via telemedicine	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 0.881 (95% CI: 0.349 to 2.225), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Using any form of postpartum contracepti on	PPV in- person	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 1.119 (95% CI: 0.786 to 1.593), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Using contracepti on, initiated Inpatient	Did not attend PPV	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Compariso n	Adjusted
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Using contracepti on, initiated Inpatient	PPV via telemedicine	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 0.241 (95% CI: 0.15 to 0.387), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Using contracepti on, initiated Inpatient	PPV in- person	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 0.86 (95% Cl: 0.514 to 1.437), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Using contracepti on, initiated Outpatient	Did not attend PPV	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Compariso n	Adjusted
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Using contracepti on, initiated Outpatient	PPV via telemedicine	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 1.88 (95% Cl: 1.11 to 3.212), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Using contracepti on, initiated Outpatient	PPV in- person	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 1.68 (95% CI: 1.223 to 2.076), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 1	Using Female Sterilization	Attended PPV	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Compariso n	Adjusted
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 1	Using Female Sterilization	Did not attend PPV	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 1.13 (95% CI: 0.47 to 2.73), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Using Female Sterilization	PPV in- person	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 0.69 (95% CI: 0.26 to 1.82), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Using Female Sterilization	PPV via telemedicine	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 0.63 (95% CI: 0.22 to 1.78), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Compariso n	Adjusted
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Using Female Sterilization	Did not attend PPV	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 0.42 (95% CI: 0.15 to 1.21), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Using female sterilization	Did not attend PPV	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Using female sterilization	PPV via telemedicine	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 0.806 (95% CI: 0.239 to 2.717), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Compariso n	Adjusted
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Using female sterilization	PPV in- person	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 2.006 (95% CI: 0.524 to 7.686), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 1	Using LARC	Attended PPV	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 1	Using LARC	Did not attend PPV	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 0.3 (95% CI: 0.16 to 0.56), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Compariso n	Adjusted
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Using LARC	PPV in- person	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 0.63 (95% CI: 0.42 to 0.94), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Using LARC	PPV via telemedicine	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 1.13 (95% CI: 0.78 to 1.63), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Using LARC	Did not attend PPV	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 0.54 (95% Cl: 0.35 to 0.82), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Compariso n	Adjusted
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Using LARC	Did not attend PPV	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Using LARC	PPV via telemedicine	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 1.177 (95% CI: 0.651 to 2.26), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Using LARC	PPV in- person	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 0.684 (95% CI: 0.434 to 1.076), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Compariso n	Adjusted
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 1	Using LARC vs SARC	Attended PPV	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 1	Using LARC vs SARC	Did not attend PPV	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 0.46 (95% Cl: 0.21 to 1), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Using LARC vs SARC	PPV in- person	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 0.47 (95% CI: 0.27 to 0.81), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Compariso n	Adjusted
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Using LARC vs SARC	PPV via telemedicine	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 1 (95% CI: 0.58 to 1.56), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Using LARC vs SARC	Did not attend PPV	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 2.6 (95% CI: 1.14 to 5.93), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Using LARC vs SARC	Did not attend PPV	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref Odds ratio: Ref (95% CI: Ref to Ref), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Compariso n	Adjusted
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Using LARC vs SARC	PPV via telemedicine	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 1.288 (95% CI: 0.527 to 3.15), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Using LARC vs SARC	PPV in- person	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 3.831 (95% Cl: 1.623 to 9.043), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 1	Using LARC, initiated at outpatient visit	Attended PPV	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Compariso n	Adjusted
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 1	Using LARC, initiated at outpatient visit	Did not attend PPV	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 0.05 (95% CI: 0.01 to 0.22), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Using LARC, initiated at outpatient visit	PPV in- person	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 0.96 (95% CI: 0.66 to 1.42), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Using LARC, initiated at outpatient visit	PPV via telemedicine	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 0.54 (95% Cl: 0.35 to 0.83), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Compariso n	Adjusted
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Using LARC, initiated at outpatient visit	Did not attend PPV	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 0.29 (95% CI: 0.17 to 0.5), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Using LARC, initiated at outpatient visit	Did not attend PPV	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref Odds ratio: Ref (95% CI: Ref to Ref), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Using LARC, initiated at outpatient visit	PPV via telemedicine	NR	NR	NR	NR	Arm 1	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Compariso n	Adjusted
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Using LARC, initiated at outpatient visit	PPV in- person	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 1.913 (95% CI: 0.829 to 4.419), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 1	Using LARC, initiated at the hospital	Attended PPV	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 1	Using LARC, initiated at the hospital	Did not attend PPV	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 6.84 (95% Cl: 1.61 to 25.91), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Compariso n	Adjusted
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Using LARC, initiated at the hospital	PPV in- person	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 3.96 (95% CI: 0.93 to 16.7), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Using LARC, initiated at the hospital	PPV via telemedicine	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 6.4 (95% CI: 1.66 to 24.91), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Using LARC, initiated at the hospital	Did not attend PPV	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 8.67 (95% CI: 2.42 to 31.05), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy

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Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Using LARC, initiated at the hospital	Did not attend PPV	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Using LARC, initiated at the hospital	PPV via telemedicine	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 0.443 (95% Cl: 0.249 to 0.787), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Using LARC, initiated at the hospital	PPV in- person	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 0.697 (95% Cl: 578 to 2.082), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Compariso n	Adjusted
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 1	Using SARC	Attended PPV	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 1	Using SARC	Did not attend PPV	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 0.59 (95% CI: 0.35 to 0.99), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Using SARC	PPV in- person	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 1.76 (95% CI: 1.2 to 2.6), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Compariso n	Adjusted
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Using SARC	PPV via telemedicine	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 1.28 (95% CI: 0.84 to 1.95), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Using SARC	Did not attend PPV	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 0.76 (95% CI: 0.49 to 1.19), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Using SARC	Did not attend PPV	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref Odds ratio: Ref (95% CI: Ref to Ref), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Compariso n	Adjusted
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Using SARC	PPV via telemedicine	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 1.765 (95% CI: 0.904 to 3.445), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Using SARC	PPV in- person	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 1.243 (95% Cl: 1.031 to 1.924), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 1	Using SARC, initiated at outpatient visit	Attended PPV	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Compariso n	Adjusted
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 1	Using SARC, initiated at outpatient visit	Did not attend PPV	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 1.3 (95% CI: 0.67 to 2.54), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Using SARC, initiated at outpatient visit	PPV in- person	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 0.89 (95% Cl: 0.41 to 1.95), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Using SARC, initiated at outpatient visit	PPV via telemedicine	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 0.8 (95% CI: 0.35 to 1.81), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Compariso n	Adjusted
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Using SARC, initiated at outpatient visit	Did not attend PPV	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 1.79 (95% CI: 0.97 to 3.3), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Using SARC, initiated at outpatient visit	Did not attend PPV	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Using SARC, initiated at outpatient visit	PPV via telemedicine	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 0.476 (95% Cl: 0.305 to 0.745), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Compariso n	Adjusted
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Using SARC, initiated at outpatient visit	PPV in- person	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 0.542 (95% CI: 0.272 to 1.083), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 1	Using SARC, initiated at the hospital	Attended PPV	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 1	Using SARC, initiated at the hospital	Did not attend PPV	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 0.14 (95% Cl: 0.04 to 0.46), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Compariso n	Adjusted
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Using SARC, initiated at the hospital	PPV in- person	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 2.07 (95% Cl: 1.34 to 3.19), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Using SARC, initiated at the hospital	PPV via telemedicine	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 1.51 (95% CI: 0.99 to 2.43), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Using SARC, initiated at the hospital	Did not attend PPV	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 0.24 (95% Cl: 0.1 to 0.54), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Compariso n	Adjusted
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Using SARC, initiated at the hospital	Did not attend PPV	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Using SARC, initiated at the hospital	PPV via telemedicine	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 1.13 (95% Cl: 1.058 to 1.294), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Arm 2	Using SARC, initiated at the hospital	PPV in- person	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 1.661 (95% CI: 1.322 to 1.356), p=NR	age category, low-income, ZIP, Medicaid status, marital status, ethnicity, race, multiple gestation, hypertension in pregnancy, other risk factors in pregnancy
De Marchi, 2021 ⁴³	Full group	Scheduled outpatient multidiscipli nary visit	0	NR	19	12 (NR)	NR	NR	No

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De Marchi, 2021 ⁴³	Full group	Unable to continue due to problems with Internet connection (houses were in mountain / remote areas),	Full group	NR	19	3 (15.79)	NR	NR	No
Etherton, 2021 ⁴⁵	Arm 1	Mean Number of Teleconsult s	Telestroke Consult	6 months	NR	Events: 33.7 (NR)	NR	Ref	No
Etherton, 2021 ⁴⁵	Arm 2	Mean Number of Teleconsult s	Telestroke Consult	6 months	NR	Events: 29.8 (NR)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 % change from baseline: - 0.0132, p=0.11	No
Etherton, 2021 ⁴⁵	Arm 1	Number of cases with Stroke diagnosis (per week)	Telestroke Consult	6 months	NR	Events: NR (23.9)	NR	Ref	No
Etherton, 2021 ⁴⁵	Arm 2	Number of cases with Stroke diagnosis (per week)	Telestroke Consult	6 months	NR	Events: NR (21.2)	NR	Arm 1	No
Etherton, 2021 ⁴⁵	Arm 1	Number of cases with TIA diagnosis (per week)	Telestroke Consult	6 months	NR	Events: NR (3.5)	NR	Ref	No

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Etherton, 2021 ⁴⁵	Arm 2	Number of cases with TIA diagnosis (per week)	Telestroke Consult	6 months	NR	Events: NR (1.8)	NR	Arm 1	No
Ferry, 2021 ⁴⁶	Full group	Discharged without complicatio ns	Full group	NR	223	205 (91.9)	NR	NR	NR
Fredwall, 2021 ⁴⁹	Arm 2	Acceptance of Diagnosis	full group	1 month	16	12 (0.75)	NR	NR	No
Fredwall, 2021 ⁴⁹	Arm 1	Acceptance of Diagnosis, 1 month	full group	1 month	101	NR (0.5)	NR	NR	No
Fredwall, 2021 ⁴⁹	Arm 1	Acceptance of Diagnosis, 3 month	full group	3 months	101	NR (0.73)	NR	NR	No
Fredwall, 2021 ⁴⁹	Arm 2	Acceptance of Diagnosis, 3 month	full group	3 months	16	11 (0.69)	NR	NR	No
Gaetani, 2021 ⁵⁰	Arm 1	Epistaxis Severity Score (ESS) >22	full group	244 days	45	32 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Gaetani, 2021 ⁵⁰	Arm 1	IV Iron Supplement ation	full group	244 Days	45	11 (0.244)	NR	REF	No
Gaetani, 2021⁵⁰	Arm 2	IV Iron Supplement ation	full group	244 Days	45	6 (0.133)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 % change from baseline: - 0.111, p=not significant	No
Gaetani, 2021 ⁵⁰	Arm 1	Oral Iron Supplement ation	full group	244 Days	45	4 (0.088)	NR	RĔF	No

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Gaetani, 2021 ⁵⁰	Arm 2	Oral Iron Supplement ation	full group	244 Days	45	18 (0.4)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 % change from baseline: 0.312, p≤0.02	No
Gaetani, 2021 ⁵⁰	Arm 1	Patients with EQ- VAS Improved	full group	NR	NR	NR	Total Improved from Baseline	NR	No
Gaetani, 2021 ⁵⁰	Arm 1	Patients with EQ- VAS Stable	full group	NR	NR	NR	Total Stable from Baseline	NR	No
Gaetani, 2021 ⁵⁰	Arm 1	Patients with EQ- VAS worsened	full group	NR	NR	NR	Total Worsened from Baseline	NR	No
Gaetani, 2021 ⁵⁰	Arm 1	Require Iron Supplement ation (Total)	full group	244 Days	45	15 (0.333)	NR	REF	No
Gaetani, 2021 ⁵⁰	Arm 2	Require Iron Supplement ation (Total)	full group	244 Days	45	24 (0.533)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 % change from baseline: 0.2, p=not significant	No
Grandizio, 2022 ⁵²	Arm 1	Elbow flexion test	In-person evaluation	NR	32	4 (13)	NR	Ref	No
Grandizio, 2022 ⁵²	Arm 2	Elbow flexion test	Telemedicin e evaluation	NR	32	5 (16)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Agreement %: 97, p=Kappa: 0.94	No
Grandizio, 2022 ⁵²	Arm 1	Median nerve compressio n test	In-person evaluation	NR	32	31 (97)	NR	Ref	No

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Grandizio, 2022 ⁵²	Arm 2	Median nerve compressio n test	Telemedicin e evaluation	NR	32	31 (97)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Agreement %: 94, p=Kappa: 0.88	No
Grandizio, 2022 ⁵²	Arm 1	Median nerve numbness	In-person evaluation	NR	32	30 (94)	NR	Ref	No
Grandizio, 2022 ⁵²	Arm 2	Median nerve numbness	Telemedicin e evaluation	NR	32	30 (94)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Agreement %: 100, p=Kappa: 1	No
Grandizio, 2022 ⁵²	Arm 1	Median nerve sensory changes	In-person evaluation	NR	32	16 (50)	NR	Ref	No
Grandizio, 2022 ⁵²	Arm 2	Median nerve sensory changes	Telemedicin e evaluation	NR	32	22 (69)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Agreement %: 63, p=Kappa: 0.26	No
Grandizio, 2022 ⁵²	Arm 1	Nocturnal numbness	In-person evaluation	NR	32	31 (97)	NR	Ref	No
Grandizio, 2022 ⁵²	Arm 2	Nocturnal numbness	Telemedicin e evaluation	NR	32	31 (97)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Agreement %: 100, p=Kappa: 1	No
Grandizio, 2022 ⁵²	Arm 1	Positive Phalen's test	In-person evaluation	NR	32	31 (97)	NR	Ref	No
Grandizio, 2022 ⁵²	Arm 2	Positive Phalen's test	Telemedicin e evaluation	NR	32	32 (100)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Agreement %: 97, p=Kappa: 0.94	No
Grandizio, 2022 ⁵²	Arm 1	Positive Tinel sign	In-person evaluation	NR	32	17 (53)	NR	Ref	No

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Grandizio, 2022 ⁵²	Arm 2	Positive Tinel sign	Telemedicin e evaluation	NR	32	16 (50)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Agreement %: 78, p=Kappa: 0.56	No
Grandizio, 2022 ⁵²	Arm 1	Thenar atrophy or weakness	In-person evaluation	NR	32	3 (9)	NR	Ref	No
Grandizio, 2022 ⁵²	Arm 2	Thenar atrophy or weakness	Telemedicin e evaluation	NR	32	3 (9)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Agreement %: 94, p=Kappa: 0.88	No
Grandizio, 2022 ⁵²	Arm 1	Tinel sign	In-person evaluation	NR	32	5 (16)	NR	Ref	No
Grandizio, 2022 ⁵²	Arm 2	Tinel sign	Telemedicin e evaluation	NR	32	6 (19)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Agreement %: 84, p=Kappa: 0.68	No
Gross, 2020 ⁵³	Arm 1	Nature of FTW Restrictions	full group	82 days	NR	NR	NR	REF	No
Gross, 2020 ⁵³	Arm 2	Nature of FTW Restrictions	full group	58 days	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 % change from baseline: NR, p≤0.001	No
Gross, 2020 ⁵³	Arm 1	Nature of FTW Restrictions - Permanent	full group	82 days	2935	69 (0.062)	NR	NR	No
Gross, 2020 ⁵³	Arm 2	Nature of FTW Restrictions - Permanent	full group	58 days	1205	92 (0.133)	NR	NR	No

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Gross, 2020 ⁵³	Arm 1	Nature of FTW Restrictions - Temporary	full group	82 days	2935	1042 (0.938)	NR	NR	No
Gross, 2020 ⁵³	Arm 2	Nature of FTW Restrictions - Temporary	full group	58 days	1205	2598 (0.867)	NR	NR	No
Gross, 2020 ⁵³	Arm 1	Nature of RTW Modification s	full group	82 days	NR	NR	NR	REF	No
Gross, 2020 ⁵³	Arm 1	Nature of RTW Modification s - Modified work duties	full group	82 days	2935	954 (0.605)	NR	NR	No
Gross, 2020 ⁵³	Arm 2	Nature of RTW Modification s - Modified work duties	full group	58 days	1205	305 (0.696)	NR	NR	No
Gross, 2020 ⁵³	Arm 1	Nature of RTW Modification s - Modified work duties and hours	full group	82 days	2935	572 (0.363)	NR	NR	No
Gross, 2020 ⁵³	Arm 2	Nature of RTW Modification s - Modified work duties and hours	full group	58 days	1205	121 (0.276)	NR	NR	No

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Gross, 2020 ⁵³	Arm 1	Nature of RTW Modification s - Modified work hours	full group	82 days	2935	50 (0.032)	NR	NR	No
Gross, 2020 ⁵³	Arm 2	Nature of RTW Modification s - Modified work hours	full group	58 days	1205	12 (0.027)	NR	NR	No
Gross, 2020 ⁵³	Arm 2	Nature of RTW Restrictions	full group	58 days	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 % change from baseline: NR, p=0.002	No
Gross, 2020 ⁵³	Arm 1	Nature of RTW Restrictions - Permanent	full group	82 days	2935	17 (0.011)	NR	NR	No
Gross, 2020 ⁵³	Arm 2	Nature of RTW Restrictions - Permanent	full group	58 days	1205	33 (0.075)	NR	NR	No
Gross, 2020 ⁵³	Arm 1	Nature of RTW Restrictions - Temporary	full group	82 days	2935	1559 (0.989)	NR	NR	No
Gross, 2020 ⁵³	Arm 2	Nature of RTW Restrictions - Temporary	full group	58 days	1205	405 (0.925)	NR	NR	No
Gross, 2020 ⁵³	Arm 1	Other Recommen dation	full group	82 days	NR	NR	NR	REF	No

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Gross, 2020 ⁵³	Arm 2	Other Recommen dation	full group	58 days	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 % change from baseline: NR, p≤0.001	No
Gross, 2020 ⁵³	Arm 1	Other Recommen dation - Community Provider	full group	82 days	2935	696 (0.237)	NR	NR	No
Gross, 2020 ⁵³	Arm 2	Other Recommen dation - Community Provider	full group	58 days	1205	339 (0.281)	NR	NR	No
Gross, 2020 ⁵³	Arm 1	Other Recommen dation - Further Medical	full group	82 days	2935	139 (0.047)	NR	NR	No
Gross, 2020 ⁵³	Arm 2	Other Recommen dation - Further Medical	full group	58 days	1205	47 (0.039)	NR	NR	No
Gross, 2020 ⁵³	Arm 1	Other Recommen dation - No Intervention s Needed	full group	82 days	2935	178 (0.061)	NR	NR	No
Gross, 2020 ⁵³	Arm 2	Other Recommen dation - No Intervention s Needed	full group	58 days	1205	112 (0.093)	NR	NR	No
Gross, 2020 ⁵³	Arm 1	Other Recommen dation - Other	full group	82 days	2935	188 (0.064)	NR	NR	No

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Gross, 2020 ⁵³	Arm 2	Other Recommen dation - Other	full group	58 days	1205	63 (0.052)	NR	NR	No
Gross, 2020 ⁵³	Arm 1	Other Recommen dation - Rehabilitati on Program	full group	82 days	2935	1734 (0.591)	NR	NR	No
Gross, 2020 ⁵³	Arm 2	Other Recommen dation - Rehabilitati on Program	full group	58 days	1205	644 (0.534)	NR	NR	No
Gross, 2020 ⁵³	Arm 1	Work- Assessmen t Outcome Recommen dation	full group	82 days	NR	NR	NR	REF	No
Gross, 2020 ⁵³	Arm 2	Work- Assessmen t Outcome Recommen dation	full group	58 days	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 % change from baseline: NR, p≤0.001	No
Gross, 2020 ⁵³	Arm 1	Work- Assessmen t Outcome Recommen dation - FTW modified Level	full group	82 days	2935	1111 (0.379)	NR	NR	No
Gross, 2020 ⁵³	Arm 2	Work- Assessmen t Outcome Recommen dation - FTW modified Level	full group	58 days	1205	690 (0.573)	NR	NR	No

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Gross, 2020 ⁵³	Arm 1	Work- Assessmen t Outcome Recommen dation - FTW pre- Accident Level	full group	82 days	2935	19 (0.006)	NR	NR	No
Gross, 2020 ⁵³	Arm 2	Work- Assessmen t Outcome Recommen dation - FTW pre- Accident Level	full group	58 days	1205	12 (0.01)	NR	NR	No
Gross, 2020 ⁵³	Arm 1	Work- Assessmen t Outcome Recommen dation - No RTW	full group	82 days	2935	30 (0.01)	NR	NR	No
Gross, 2020 ⁵³	Arm 2	Work- Assessmen t Outcome Recommen dation - No RTW	full group	58 days	1205	24 (0.02)	NR	NR	No
Gross, 2020 ⁵³	Arm 1	Work- Assessmen t Outcome Recommen dation - RTW modified level	full group	82 days	2935	1576 (0.537)	NR	NR	No

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Gross, 2020 ⁵³	Arm 2	Work- Assessmen t Outcome Recommen dation - RTW modified level	full group	58 days	1205	438 (0.363)	NR	NR	No
Gross, 2020 ⁵³	Arm 1	Work- Assessmen t Outcome Recommen dation - RTW pre- Accident Level	full group	82 days	2935	199 (0.068)	NR	NR	No
Gross, 2020 ⁵³	Arm 2	Work- Assessmen t Outcome Recommen dation - RTW pre- Accident Level	full group	58 days	1205	41 (0.034)	NR	NR	No
Hameed, 2021 ⁵⁴	Arm 1	Clinically Meaningful Change in Sit-to-stand score	full group	2 weeks	6	NR (0.17)	NR	Ref: Entire Group Chi-Squared Linear-by- linear association for multiple group comparion: NR, p=0.056	No

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Hameed, 2021 ⁵⁴	Arm 2	Clinically Meaningful Change in Sit-to-stand score	full group	2 weeks	31	NR (0.65)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Chi-Squared Linear-by- linear association for multiple group comparion: NR, p=0.03	No
Hameed, 2021 ⁵⁴	Arm 3	Clinically Meaningful Change in Sit-to-stand score	full group	2 weeks	8	NR (0.88)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Chi-Squared Linear-by- linear association for multiple group comparion: NR, p≤.01	No
Hameed, 2021 ⁵⁴	Arm 4	Clinically Meaningful Change in Sit-to-stand score	full group	2 weeks	8	NR (0.5)	NR	NR	No
Hameed, 2021 ⁵⁴	Arm 1	Clinically Meaningful Change in Step Test Score	full group	2 weeks	6	NR (0.5)	NR	Ref: Entire Group Chi-Squared Linear-by- linear association for multiple group comparion: NR, p=0.12	Νο

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Hameed, 2021 ⁵⁴	Arm 2	Clinically Meaningful Change in Step Test Score	full group	2 weeks	31	NR (0.74)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Chi-Squared Linear-by- linear association for multiple group comparion: NR, p=0.25	No
Hameed, 2021 ⁵⁴	Arm 3	Clinically Meaningful Change in Step Test Score	full group	2 weeks	8	NR (0.5)	NR	NR	No
Hameed, 2021 ⁵⁴	Arm 4	Clinically Meaningful Change in Step Test Score	full group	2 weeks	8	NR (0.5)	NR	NR	No
Hughes, 2021 ⁵⁸	Arm 1	Number of Visits in timeframe	full group	59 days	NR	Events: 436 (NR)	NR	Ref	No
Hughes, 2021 ⁵⁸	Arm 2	Number of Visits in timeframe	full group	30 days	NR	Events: 254 (NR)	NR	Ref	No
Hughes, 2021 ⁵⁸	Arm 3	Number of Visits in timeframe	full group	60 days	NR	Events: 581 (NR)	NR	Ref: Arm 1, Arm 2 Chi- Squared: NR, p≤.001	No
Hughes, 2021 ⁵⁸	Arm 1	Type of Visit: Lab visit	full group	59 days	NR	Events: 6.9 (4.4)	NR	Ref	No
Hughes, 2021 ⁵⁸	Arm 2	Type of Visit: Lab visit	full group	30 days	NR	Events: 11.9 (NR)	NR	Ref	No

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Hughes, 2021 ⁵⁸	Arm 3	Type of Visit: Lab visit	full group	60 days	NR	Events: 15 (8.8)	NR	Ref: Arm 1, Arm 2 Chi- Squared: NR, p≤.001	No
Hughes, 2021 ⁵⁸	Arm 1	Type of Visit: Office	full group	59 days	NR	Events: 14.5 (19.3)	NR	Ref	No
Hughes, 2021 ⁵⁸	Arm 2	Type of Visit: Office	full group	30 days	NR	Events: 15.4 (29.9)	NR	Ref	No
Hughes, 2021 ⁵⁸	Arm 3	Type of Visit: Office	full group	60 days	NR	Events: 10.7 (8.1)	NR	Ref: Arm 1, Arm 2 Chi- Squared: NR, p=0.5288	No
Hughes, 2021 ⁵⁸	Arm 1	Type of Visit: Telehealth	full group	59 days	NR	Events: NR	NR	Ref	No
Hughes, 2021 ⁵⁸	Arm 2	Type of Visit: Telehealth	full group	30 days	NR	Events: 13.6 (24.2)	NR	Ref	No
Hughes, 2021 ⁵⁸	Arm 3	Type of Visit: Telehealth	full group	60 days	NR	Events: 16.4 (30.2)	NR	Ref: Arm 1, Arm 2 Chi- Squared: NR, p≤.001	No
Kim, 2021 ⁶⁷	Full group	72 hour PED visit resulting in hospitlizatio n	full group	91 days	406	2 (0.00005)	NR	NR	No
Kim, 2021 ⁶⁷	Full group	Antibiotic Prescription	full group	91 days	406	29 (0.071)	NR	NR	No
Kim, 2021 ⁶⁷	Full group	Conservativ e Manageme nt	full group	91 days	406	292 (0.72)	NR	NR	No
Kim, 2021 ⁶⁷	Full group	Medicaition Prescription	full group	91 days	406	72 (0.18)	NR	NR	No

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Klain, 2021 ⁶⁸	Arm 3	Number of first accesses for newly diagnosed DTC cases	0	2019	NR	Events: 75 (NR)	NR	Ref	NR
Klain, 2021 ⁶⁸	Arm 4	Number of first accesses for newly diagnosed DTC cases	0	During COVID- 19	NR	Events: 54 (NR)	NR	Ref: Evaluations in correspondin g 2019 period Difference in number of evaluations: -0.28, p=NR	NR
Kolb, 2021 ⁶⁹	Arm 1	Audiogram Ordered After Appointmen t	Recurrent Acute Otitis Media	42 days	50	5 (0.1)	NR	Ref	No
Kolb, 2021 ⁶⁹	Arm 2	Audiogram Ordered After Appointmen t	Recurrent Acute Otitis Media	42 days	50	5 (0.1)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Chi-Squared Test: NR, p=1	No
Kolb, 2021 ⁶⁹	Arm 1	Deferred BMTT	Recurrent Acute Otitis Media	42 days	50	4 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Kolb, 2021 ⁶⁹	Arm 2	Deferred BMTT	Recurrent Acute Otitis Media	42 days	50	8 (16)	NR	NR	No
Kolb, 2021 ⁶⁹	Arm 1	Detailed Ear Exam	Recurrent Acute Otitis Media	42 days	50	48 (0.96)	NR	Ref	No
Kolb, 2021 ⁶⁹	Arm 2	Detailed Ear Exam	Recurrent Acute Otitis Media	42 days	50	0 (0)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Chi-Squared Test: NR, p≤0.001	No

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Kolb, 2021 ⁶⁹	Arm 1	Detailed Nasal Exam	Recurrent Acute Otitis Media	42 days	50	48 (0.96)	NR	Ref	No
Kolb, 2021 ⁶⁹	Arm 2	Detailed Nasal Exam	Recurrent Acute Otitis Media	42 days	50	0 (0)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Chi-Squared Test: NR, p≤0.001	No
Kolb, 2021 ⁶⁹	Arm 1	Detailed Nasal Exam	Sleep- disordered breathing	42 days	64	64 (1)	NR	Ref	No
Kolb, 2021 ⁶⁹	Arm 2	Detailed Nasal Exam	Sleep- disordered breathing	42 days	64	9 (0.141)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Fisher's Exact Test: NR, p≤0.001	No
Kolb, 2021 ⁶⁹	Arm 1	Detailed Oral/Oroph aryngeal Exam	Recurrent Acute Otitis Media	42 days	50	49 (0.98)	NR	Ref	No
Kolb, 2021 ⁶⁹	Arm 2	Detailed Oral/Oroph aryngeal Exam	Recurrent Acute Otitis Media	42 days	50	0 (0)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Chi-Squared Test: NR, p≤0.001	No
Kolb, 2021 ⁶⁹	Arm 1	Detailed Oral/Oroph aryngeal Exam	Sleep- disordered breathing	42 days	64	64 (1)	NR	Ref	No
Kolb, 2021 ⁶⁹	Arm 2	Detailed Oral/Oroph aryngeal Exam	Sleep- disordered breathing	42 days	64	42 (0.656)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Fisher's Exact Test: NR, p≤0.001	No
Kolb, 2021 ⁶⁹	Arm 1	Offered BMTT	Recurrent Acute Otitis Media	42 days	50	33 (66)	NR	NR	No
Kolb, 2021 ⁶⁹	Arm 2	Offered BMTT	Recurrent Acute Otitis Media	42 days	50	36 (72)	NR	NR	No

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Kolb, 2021 ⁶⁹	Arm 1	Polysomno graphy Ordered After Appointmen t	Sleep- disordered breathing	42 days	64	11 (17.2)	NR	Ref	No
Kolb, 2021 ⁶⁹	Arm 2	Polysomno graphy Ordered After Appointmen t	Sleep- disordered breathing	42 days	64	5 (7.8)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Fisher's Exact Test: NR, p=0.181	No
Kolb, 2021 ⁶⁹	Arm 1	Routine Follow-up Recommen ded	Sleep- disordered breathing	42 days	64	19 (29.7)	NR	Ref	No
Kolb, 2021 ⁶⁹	Arm 2	Routine Follow-up Recommen ded	Sleep- disordered breathing	42 days	64	12 (18.8)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Fisher's Exact Test: NR, p=0.149	No
Kolb, 2021 ⁶⁹	Arm 1	Sugery Offered; Family Agrees	Recurrent Acute Otitis Media	42 days	50	33 (66)	NR	Ref	No
Kolb, 2021 ⁶⁹	Arm 2	Sugery Offered; Family Agrees	Recurrent Acute Otitis Media	42 days	50	36 (72)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Chi-Squared Test: NR, p=0.831	No
Kolb, 2021 ⁶⁹	Arm 1	Sugery Offered; Family Agrees	Sleep- disordered breathing	42 days	64	40 (62.5)	NR	Ref	No
Kolb, 2021 ⁶⁹	Arm 2	Sugery Offered; Family Agrees	Sleep- disordered breathing	42 days	64	40 (62.5)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Fisher's Exact Test: NR, p=1	No
Kolb, 2021 ⁶⁹	Arm 1	Surgery Offered; Family Considering	Recurrent Acute Otitis Media	42 days	50	1 (2)	NR	Ref	No

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Kolb, 2021 ⁶⁹	Arm 2	Surgery Offered; Family Considering	Recurrent Acute Otitis Media	42 days	50	1 (2)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Chi-Squared Test: NR, p=1	No
Kolb, 2021 ⁶⁹	Arm 1	Surgery Offered; Family Considering	Sleep- disordered breathing	42 days	64	1 (1.6)	NR	Ref	No
Kolb, 2021 ⁶⁹	Arm 2	Surgery Offered; Family Considering	Sleep- disordered breathing	42 days	64	3 (4.7)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Fisher's Exact Test: NR, p=0.31	No
Kolb, 2021 ⁶⁹	Arm 1	Underwent BMTT	Recurrent Acute Otitis Media	42 days	50	29 (58)	NR	NR	No
Kolb, 2021 ⁶⁹	Arm 2	Underwent BMTT	Recurrent Acute Otitis Media	42 days	50	28 (56)	NR	NR	No
Li, 2021 ⁷³	Arm 1	Correct prescription (based on CENTOR/F everPain scores)	Full group	NR	67	Events: 51 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Li, 2021 ⁷³	Arm 2	Correct prescription (based on CENTOR/F everPain scores)	Full group	NR	27	Events: 16 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Li, 2021 ⁷³	Arm 1	Incorrect prescription (based on CENTOR/F everPain scores)	Full group	NR	67	Events: 16 (NR)	NR	NR	No

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Li, 2021 ⁷³	Arm 2	Incorrect prescription (based on CENTOR/F everPain scores)	Full group	NR	27	Events: 8 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Li, 2021 ⁷³	Arm 1	Parameters recorded	Full group	NR	39	NR (64.1)	NR	NR	No
Li, 2021 ⁷³	Arm 2	Parameters recorded	Full group	NR	151	NR (50)	NR	NR	No
Li, 2021 ⁷³	Arm 2	Scoring usage rate	full group	NR	151	NR (0)	NR	Ref: NR p=0.0415	No
Li, 2021 ⁷³	Arm 1	Scoring usage rate	full group	NR	39	NR (10)	NR	NR	No
Li, 2021 ⁷³	Arm 1	Use of antibiotics	full group	NR	39	NR (92.3)	NR	Ref	No
Li, 2021 ⁷³	Arm 2	Use of antibiotics	full group	NR	151	NR (88.5)	NR	Ref: NR p=>0.05	No
Lightsey, 2021 ⁷⁵	Full group	Change in Pre- operative plan after in-person	full group	152 days	33	31 (0.94)	% change from baseline	NR	No
Lightsey, 2021 ⁷⁵	Full group	Virtual Physical Exam Completed	full group	152 days	33	10 (0.303)	NR	NR	No
Liu, 202177	Arm 1	Clinic Attendance	full group	5 days	940	772 (82.1)	NR	REF	No
Liu, 2021 ⁷⁷	Arm 2	Clinic Attendance	full group	5 days	942	790 (83.9)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Assumed t- test: NR, p=0.32	No
Mair, 2021 ⁸⁰	Arm 1	Active disease	Full group	NR	210	44 (21)	NR	Ref	No

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Mair, 2021 ⁸⁰	Arm 2	Active disease	Full group	NR	340	43 (12.7)	NR	Ref: Arm1 Difference in proportion: - 0.08 (95% Cl: -0.15 to - 0.02), p=Significant	No
Mair, 2021 ⁸⁰	Arm 1	Any intervention	Full group	NR	210	102 (48.6)	NR	Ref	No
Mair, 2021 ⁸⁰	Arm 2	Any intervention	Full group	NR	340	109 (32.1)	NR	Ref: Arm1 Difference in proportion: - 0.17 (95% CI: -0.25 to - 0.08), p=Significant	No
Mair, 2021 ⁸⁰	Arm 1	Disease indetermina te	Full group	NR	210	4 (1.9)	NR	Ref	No
Mair, 2021 ⁸⁰	Arm 2	Disease indetermina te	Full group	NR	340	6 (1.8)	NR	Ref: Arm1 Difference in proportion: 0 (95% CI: - 0.03 to 0.02), p=NS	No
Martinez- Garcia, 2020 ⁸⁴	Full group	Discharged from telehealth monitoring	full group	30 days	304	224 (0.7368)	NR	NR	No
Martinez- Garcia, 2020 ⁸⁴	Full group	Voluntary Discharge	full group	30 days	304	1 (0.0032)	NR	NR	No
McCoy, 2022 ⁸⁵	Arm 1	Follow up apointment	In-person before telemedicine	NR	113	61 (54)	NR	NR	No
McCoy, 2022 ⁸⁵	Arm 2	Follow up apointment	Telemedicin e	NR	59	28 (47.5)	NR	NR	No
McCoy, 2022 ⁸⁵	Arm 3	Follow up apointment	In-person during telemedicine	NR	4	1 (25)	NR	NR	No

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McCoy, 2022 ⁸⁵	Arm 1	New problem	In-person before telemedicine	NR	113	55 (48.7)	NR	NR	No
McCoy, 2022 ⁸⁵	Arm 2	New problem	Telemedicin e	NR	59	37 (62.7)	NR	NR	No
McCoy, 2022 ⁸⁵	Arm 3	New problem	In-person during telemedicine	NR	4	3 (75)	NR	NR	No
McCoy, 2022 ⁸⁵	Arm 1	Surgery recommend ed	In-person before telemedicine	NR	113	46 (40.7)	NR	NR	No
McCoy, 2022 ⁸⁵	Arm 2	Surgery recommend ed	Telemedicin e	NR	59	24 (40.7)	NR	NR	No
McCoy, 2022 ⁸⁵	Arm 3	Surgery recommend ed	In-person during telemedicine	NR	4	2 (50)	NR	NR	No
Mehtani, 2021 ⁸⁸	Full group	Diagnosed with Opioid Use Disorder	full group	16 days	59	12 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Miller, 2021 ⁸⁹	Arm 1	Number of Antibiotic Prescription	full group	91 days	3654	NR	NR	REF	No
Miller, 2021 ⁸⁹	Arm 2	Number of Antibiotic Prescription	full group	91 days	2075	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 0.78 (NR: 0.69 to 0.89), p≤0.001	No
Miller, 2021 ⁸⁹	Arm 1	Number of Antibiotic Prescription	Seen by Otolaryngolo gist	91 days	332	NR	NR	REF	No
Miller, 2021 ⁸⁹	Arm 2	Number of Antibiotic Prescription	Seen by Otolaryngolo gist	91 days	190	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Assumed OR: p=0.781	No
Minsky, 2021 ⁹⁰	Arm 1	Improveme nt in dietary habit score	Not using telemedicine	NR	228	76 (33.33)	NR	NR	No

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Minsky, 2021 ⁹⁰	Arm 2	Improveme nt in dietary habit score	Using telemedicine	NR	51	20 (39.22)	NR	NR	No
Minsky, 2021 ⁹⁰	Arm 1	Mean weight change	Not using telemedicine	NR	NR	NR	Mean change from baseline: 0.18 (SD 4.6)	Ref	No
Minsky, 2021 ⁹⁰	Arm 2	Mean weight change	Using telemedicine	NR	NR	NR	Mean change from baseline: - 1.3 (SD 5.2)	Ref: Arm1 p=0.07	No
Minsky, 202190	Arm 1	More exercise	Not using telemedicine	NR	228	29 (12.719298245614)	NR	Ref	No
Minsky, 2021 ⁹⁰	Arm 2	More exercise	Using telemedicine	NR	51	13 (25.4901960784314)	NR	Ref: Arm1 Odds ratio: 2.4 (95% CI: 1.12 to 5), p=0.02	No
Minsky, 2021 ⁹⁰	Arm 1	No change in dietary habit score	Not using telemedicine	NR	228	54 (23.68)	NR	NR	No
Minsky, 2021 ⁹⁰	Arm 2	No change in dietary habit score	Using telemedicine	NR	51	14 (27.45)	NR	NR	No
Minsky, 2021 ⁹⁰	Arm 1	Same or less exercise	Not using telemedicine	NR	228	179 (78.5)	NR	Ref	No
Minsky, 2021 ⁹⁰	Arm 2	Same or less exercise	Using telemedicine	NR	51	34 (66.67)	NR	Ref: Arm1 NR, p=0.02	No
Offiah, 2022 ⁹¹	Arm 1	Medical specialty referral	Traditional clinic	NR	1220	45 (3.7)	NR	Ref	No
Offiah, 2022 ⁹¹	Arm 2	Medical specialty referral	Virtual clinic	NR	496	5 (1)	NR	Ref: Assuming Arm1 p-value only: NR, p=0.0028	No

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Offiah, 2022 ⁹¹	Arm 1	Referral for coronary artery bypass grafting	Traditional clinic	NR	1220	1 (0.1)	NR	NR	No
Offiah, 2022 ⁹¹	Arm 2	Referral for coronary artery bypass grafting	Virtual clinic	NR	496	1 (0.2)	NR	NR	No
Offiah, 2022 ⁹¹	Arm 1	Referral for device	Traditional clinic	NR	1220	8 (0.7)	NR	NR	No
Offiah, 2022 ⁹¹	Arm 2	Referral for device	Virtual clinic	NR	496	2 (0.4)	NR	NR	No
Offiah, 2022 ⁹¹	Arm 1	Referral for valve surgery	Traditional clinic	NR	1220	5 (0.4)	NR	NR	No
Offiah, 2022 ⁹¹	Arm 2	Referral for valve surgery	Virtual clinic	NR	496	1 (0.2)	NR	NR	No
Offiah, 2022 ⁹¹	Arm 1	Specialist nurse clinic referral	Traditional clinic	NR	1220	32 (2.6)	NR	Ref	No
Offiah, 2022 ⁹¹	Arm 2	Specialist nurse clinic referral	Virtual clinic	NR	496	5 (1)	NR	Ref: Assuming Arm1 p-value only: NR, p=0.037	No
Onishi, 202193	Full group	HgbA1c <7.0% at post-period	full group	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref NR Odds ratio: 1.53 (95% Cl: 1.12 to 2.08, p=0.007	Sex, Type of Diabetes, Pre- HgbA1c, Pre- BMI, Change in BMI, Age
Onishi, 202193	Full group	HgbA1c <7.0% at post-period	full group	NR	NR	NR	NR	Ref NR Odds ratio: 1.56 (95% Cl: 1.15 to 2.11, p=0.004	Sex, Type of Diabetes, Pre- HgbA1c, Pre- BMI, Change in BMI, Age

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Phillips, 2021 ⁹⁶	Arm 1	Any Healthcare visit	full group	14 Days	741	Events: 222 (30)	NR	Ref	No
Phillips, 2021 ⁹⁶	Arm 2	Any Healthcare visit	full group	14 Days	564	Events: 187 (33.2)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Chi Squared: NR, p=NR	No
Phillips, 2021 ⁹⁶	Arm 1	Multiple related visits	full group	14 Days	741	Events: 32 (4.3)	NR	Ref	No
Phillips, 2021 ⁹⁶	Arm 2	Multiple related visits	full group	14 Days	564	Events: 28 (5)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Chi Squared: NR, p=0.581	No
Phillips, 2021 ⁹⁶	Arm 2	Multiple related visits	Initial Visit Type	14 Days	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 1.11 (95% Cl: 0.66 to 1.88), p=NR	initial type of visit, age, gender and the number of comorbidities
Phillips, 2021 ⁹⁶	Arm 2	Multiple related visits	Age	14 Days	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 1.01 (95% Cl: 0.99 to 1.03), p=NR	initial type of visit, age, gender and the number of comorbidities
Phillips, 2021 ⁹⁶	Arm 2	Multiple related visits	Gender	14 Days	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 0.64 (95% Cl: 0.35 to 1.16), p=NR	initial type of visit, age, gender and the number of comorbidities
Phillips, 2021 ⁹⁶	Arm 2	Multiple related visits	Comorbiditie s	14 Days	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 1 (95% CI: 0.83 to 1.22), p=NR	initial type of visit, age, gender and the number of comorbidities
Phillips, 2021 ⁹⁶	Arm 1	No healthcare visits	full group	14 Days	741	Events: 519 (70)	NR	Ref	No

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Phillips, 202196	Arm 2	No healthcare visits	full group	14 Days	564	Events: 337 (66.8)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Chi Squared: NR, p=0.218	No
Phillips, 202196	Arm 1	Office Visit	full group	14 Days	741	Events: 66 (8.9)	NR	Ref	No
Phillips, 202196	Arm 2	Office Visit	full group	14 Days	564	Events: 69 (12.2)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Chi Squared: NR, p=0.033	No
Phillips, 2021 ⁹⁶	Arm 2	Office Visit	Initial Visit Type	14 Days	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 1.46 (95% Cl: 1.02 to 2.1), p=NR	initial type of visit, age, gender and the number of comorbidities
Phillips, 2021 ⁹⁶	Arm 2	Office Visit	Age	14 Days	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 0.99 (95% Cl: 0.98 to 1.01), p=NR	initial type of visit, age, gender and the number of comorbidities
Phillips, 202196	Arm 2	Office Visit	Gender	14 Days	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 0.71 (95% Cl: 0.48 to 1.06), p=NR	initial type of visit, age, gender and the number of comorbidities
Phillips, 202196	Arm 2	Office Visit	Comorbiditie s	14 Days	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 1.16 (95% Cl: 1 to 1.33), p=NR	initial type of visit, age, gender and the number of comorbidities
Phillips, 202196	Arm 1	Related healthcare visit	full group	14 Days	741	Events: 161 (21.7)	NR	Ref	No
Phillips, 2021 ⁹⁶	Arm 2	Related healthcare visit	full group	14 Days	564	Events: 146 (25.9)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Chi Squared: NR, p=0.079	No

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Phillips, 2021 ⁹⁶	Arm 2	Related healthcare visit	Initial Visit Type	14 Days	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 1.12 (95% Cl: 0.94 to 1.58), p=NR	initial type of visit, age, gender and the number of comorbidities
Phillips, 2021 ⁹⁶	Arm 2	Related healthcare visit	Age	14 Days	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 1 (95% CI: 0.99 to 1.01), p=NR	initial type of visit, age, gender and the number of comorbidities
Phillips, 2021 ⁹⁶	Arm 2	Related healthcare visit	Gender	14 Days	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 0.8 (95% CI: 0.6 to 1.05), p=NR	initial type of visit, age, gender and the number of comorbidities
Phillips, 2021 ⁹⁶	Arm 2	Related healthcare visit	Comorbiditie s	14 Days	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 1.13 (95% Cl: 1.02 to 1.25), p=NR	initial type of visit, age, gender and the number of comorbidities
Phillips, 202196	Arm 1	Telehealth Visit	full group	14 Days	741	Events: 72 (9.7)	NR	Ref	No
Phillips, 2021 ⁹⁶	Arm 2	Telehealth Visit	full group	14 Days	564	Events: 62 (11)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Chi Squared: NR, p=0.452	No
Phillips, 2021 ⁹⁶	Arm 2	Telehealth Visit	Initial Visit Type	14 Days	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 1.11 (95% Cl: 0.78 to 1.59), p=NR	initial type of visit, age, gender and the number of comorbidities
Phillips, 2021 ⁹⁶	Arm 2	Telehealth Visit	Age	14 Days	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 1.01 (95% Cl: 0.99 to 1.02), p=NR	initial type of visit, age, gender and the number of comorbidities

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Phillips, 2021 ⁹⁶	Arm 2	Telehealth Visit	Gender	14 Days	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 0.83 (95% Cl: 0.57 to 1.23), p=NR	initial type of visit, age, gender and the number of comorbidities
Phillips, 2021 ⁹⁶	Arm 2	Telehealth Visit	Comorbiditie s	14 Days	NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 1.06 (95% CI: 0.93 to 1.22), p=NR	initial type of visit, age, gender and the number of comorbidities
Ragheb, 2021 ¹⁰⁰	Arm 1	Meets 8/9 standard of care items	In-person	NR	171	153 (89.5)	NR	Ref	No
Ragheb, 2021 ¹⁰⁰	Arm 2	Meets 8/9 standard of care items	Telehealth	NR	51	48 (94.1)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: NR, p=0.42	No
Ragheb, 2021 ¹⁰⁰	Arm 1	Meets all standard of care items	In-person	NR	171	134 (78.4)	NR	Ref	No
Ragheb, 2021 ¹⁰⁰	Arm 2	Meets all standard of care items	Telehealth	NR	51	26 (51)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: NR, p=0.0003	No
Reynolds- Wright, 2021 ¹⁰³	Full group	Ongoing pregnancy	full group	99 days	663	5 (0.8)	NR	NR	No
Rohan, 2021 ¹⁰⁶	Arm 1	Added to Waitlist	full group	7 months	1639	308 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Rohan, 2021 ¹⁰⁶	Arm 2	Added to Waitlist	full group	7 months	1148	282 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Rohan, 2021 ¹⁰⁶	Arm 1	Evaluated for Transplant	full group	7 months	1639	880 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Rohan, 2021 ¹⁰⁶	Arm 2	Evaluated for Transplant	full group	7 months	1148	930 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Rohan, 2021 ¹⁰⁶	Arm 1	Referrals to Transplant	full group	7 months	NR	1639 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Rohan, 2021 ¹⁰⁶	Arm 2	Referrals to Transplant	full group	7 months	NR	1148 (NR)	NR	NR	No

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Rohan, 2021 ¹⁰⁶	Arm 1	Removed from Evaluation	full group	7 months	1639	795 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Rohan, 2021 ¹⁰⁶	Arm 2	Removed from Evaluation	full group	7 months	1148	247 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Rohan, 2021 ¹⁰⁶	Arm 1	Transplanta tion Completed	full group	7 months	NR	177 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Rohan, 2021 ¹⁰⁶	Arm 2	Transplanta tion Completed	full group	7 months	NR	176 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Rowe, 2021 ¹⁰⁷	Arm 1	Face-to- Face Next Appointmen t	full group	148 Days	1118	26 (0.667)	NR	REF	No
Rowe, 2021 ¹⁰⁷	Arm 2	Face-to- Face Next Appointmen t	full group	148 Days	327	7 (0.156)	NR	Arm 1	Age, Gender, English as First Language, Rural Status, initial appointment status, cardiologist seen
Sawka, 2021 ¹¹⁰	Full group	Choice of Active Surveillanc e for Thryoid Cancer vs Surgery	Pre-Covid enrollement in study	NR	157	117 (0.745)	NR	NR	No
Sawka, 2021 ¹¹⁰	Full group	Choice of Active Surveillanc e for Thryoid Cancer vs Surgery	Post-Covid enrollement in study	232 Days	25	24 (0.96)	NR	NR	No

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Schafer, 2022 ¹¹¹	Arm 1	Middle ear effusion	In-person	NR	246	172 (69.92)	NR	Ref	No
Schafer, 2022 ¹¹¹	Arm 2	Middle ear effusion	Telemedicin e (not specified)	NR	63	20 (31.75)	NR	Ref: Assuming Arm1 p-value only: NR, p=<0.0001	No
Schafer, 2022 ¹¹¹	Arm 1	Recommen ded for surgery	In-person	NR	384	265 (69.01)	NR	Ref	Ethnicity, 3+ ear infections in past 6 months, history of IM antibiotics, speech difficulty, hearing difficulty
Schafer, 2022 ¹¹¹	Arm 2	Recommen ded for surgery	Telemedicin e (not specified)	NR	140	72 (51.43)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 0.443 (95% CI: 0.29 to 0.68), p=0.0002	Ethnicity, 3+ ear infections in past 6 months, history of IM antibiotics, speech difficulty, hearing difficulty
Schafer, 2022 ¹¹¹	Arm 1	Underwent surgery	In-person	NR	265	246 (92.83)	NR	Ref	No
Schafer, 2022 ¹¹¹	Arm 2	Underwent surgery	Telemedicin e (not specified)	NR	72	63 (87.5)	NR	Ref: Assuming Arm1 p-value only: NR, p=0.106	No
Schweiberger, 2020 ¹¹²	Arm 1	All primary care encounters per 1000 patients per week	full group	16 days	NR	Events: 22 (NR)	NR	Ref: Arm 2, Arm 3 Kruskal- Wallis Test: NR, p=0.006	No

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Schweiberger, 2020 ¹¹²	Arm 1	In-person Visits per 1000 patients per week	full group	13 days	NR	Events: 16 (NR)	NR	Ref: Arm 2, Arm 3 Kruskal- Wallis Test: NR, p=0.005	No
Schweiberger, 2020 ¹¹²	Arm 1	Total encounters outside of primary care per 1000 patients per week	full group	25 days	NR	Events: 2 (NR)	NR	Ref: Arm 2, Arm 3 Kruskal- Wallis Test: NR, p=0.008	No
Schweiberger, 2020 ¹¹²	Arm 1	Total encounters per 1000 patients per week	full group	28 days	NR	Events: 25 (NR)	NR	Ref: Arm 2, Arm 3 Kruskal- Wallis Test: NR, p=0.003	No
Schweiberger, 2021 ¹¹²	Arm 2	All primary care encounters per 1000 patients per week	full group	17 days	NR	Events: 23 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Schweiberger, 2021 ¹¹²	Arm 2	In-person Visits per 1000 patients per week	full group	14 days	NR	Events: 11 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Schweiberger, 2021 ¹¹²	Arm 2	Total encounters outside of primary care per 1000 patients per week	full group	26 days	NR	Events: 3 (NR)	NR	NR	No

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Schweiberger, 2021 ¹¹²	Arm 2	Total encounters per 1000 patients per week	full group	29 days	NR	Events: 25 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Schweiberger, 2022 ¹¹²	Arm 3	All primary care encounters per 1000 patients per week	full group	18 days	NR	Events: 28 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Schweiberger, 2022 ¹¹²	Arm 3	In-person Visits per 1000 patients per week	full group	15 days	NR	Events: 10 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Schweiberger, 2022 ¹¹²	Arm 3	Total encounters outside of primary care per 1000 patients per week	full group	27 days	NR	Events: 3 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Schweiberger, 2022 ¹¹²	Arm 3	Total encounters per 1000 patients per week	full group	30 days	NR	Events: 30 (NR)	NR	NR	No
Sharma, 2020 ¹¹⁷	Arm 1	Colonoscop y	"Service Evaluation" - Radiology	NR	NR	Events: 66 (NR)	NR	REF	No
Sharma, 2020 ¹¹⁷	Arm 2	Colonoscop y	"Service Evaluation" - Radiology	NR	NR	Events: 11 (NR)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 % change from baseline: - 0.83, p=NR	No
Sharma, 2020 ¹¹⁷	Arm 1	Helpline Contacts (Total)	"Service Evaluation" - Helpline	NR	NR	Events: 1521 (NR)	NR	REF	No

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Sharma, 2020 ¹¹⁷	Arm 2	Helpline Contacts (Total)	"Service Evaluation" - Helpline	NR	NR	Events: 2881 (NR)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 % change from baseline: 0.89, p=NR	No
Sharma, 2020 ¹¹⁷	Arm 1	Helpline IBD Clinical Specialist Nurse Contact	"Service Evaluation" - Helpline	NR	NR	Events: 1391 (NR)	NR	REF	No
Sharma, 2020 ¹¹⁷	Arm 2	Helpline IBD Clinical Specialist Nurse Contact	"Service Evaluation" - Helpline	NR	NR	Events: 2455 (NR)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 % change from baseline: 0.76, p=NR	No
Sharma, 2020 ¹¹⁷	Arm 1	Helpline Pharmacy Contact	"Service Evaluation" - Helpline	NR	NR	Events: 130 (NR)	NR	REF	No
Sharma, 2020 ¹¹⁷	Arm 2	Helpline Pharmacy Contact	"Service Evaluation" - Helpline	NR	NR	Events: 426 (NR)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 % change from baseline: 2.28, p=NR	No
Sharma, 2020 ¹¹⁷	Arm 1	IBD Infusion (Total)	"Service Evaluation" - IBD Infusion	NR	NR	Events: 274 (NR)	NR	REF	No
Sharma, 2020 ¹¹⁷	Arm 2	IBD Infusion (Total)	"Service Evaluation" - IBD Infusion	NR	NR	Events: 298 (NR)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 % change from baseline: 0.09, p=NR	No
Sharma, 2020 ¹¹⁷	Arm 1	Lower Gastrointes tinal Endoscopy	"Service Evaluation" - Radiology	NR	NR	Events: 114 (NR)	NR	REF	No
Sharma, 2020 ¹¹⁷	Arm 2	Lower Gastrointes tinal Endoscopy	"Service Evaluation" - Radiology	NR	NR	Events: 17 (NR)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 % change from baseline: - 0.85, p=NR	No

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Sharma, 2020 ¹¹⁷	Arm 1	Luminal Surgery (Total Performed)	"Service Evaluation" - Luminal Surgery	NR	NR	Events: 6 (NR)	NR	REF	No
Sharma, 2020 ¹¹⁷	Arm 2	Luminal Surgery (Total Performed)	"Service Evaluation" - Radiology	NR	NR	Events: 0 (NR)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 % change from baseline: -1, p=NR	No
Sharma, 2020 ¹¹⁷	Arm 1	MRI Pelvis Performed	"Service Evaluation" - Radiology	NR	NR	Events: 22 (NR)	NR	REF	No
Sharma, 2020 ¹¹⁷	Arm 2	MRI Pelvis Performed	"Service Evaluation" - Radiology	NR	NR	Events: 3 (NR)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 % change from baseline: - 0.86, p=NR	No
Sharma, 2020 ¹¹⁷	Arm 1	MRI Pelvis Requested	"Service Evaluation" - Radiology	NR	NR	Events: 30 (NR)	NR	REF	No
Sharma, 2020 ¹¹⁷	Arm 2	MRI Pelvis Requested	"Service Evaluation" - Radiology	NR	NR	Events: 1 (NR)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 % change from baseline: - 0.97, p=NR	No
Sharma, 2020 ¹¹⁷	Arm 1	MRI Small Bowel Performed	"Service Evaluation" - Radiology	NR	NR	Events: 93 (NR)	NR	REF	No
Sharma, 2020 ¹¹⁷	Arm 2	MRI Small Bowel Performed	"Service Evaluation" - Radiology	NR	NR	Events: 12 (NR)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 % change from baseline: - 0.87, p=NR	No
Sharma, 2020 ¹¹⁷	Arm 1	MRI Small Bowel Requested	"Service Evaluation" - Radiology	NR	NR	Events: 79 (NR)	NR	REF	No

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Sharma, 2020 ¹¹⁷	Arm 2	MRI Small Bowel Requested	"Service Evaluation" - Radiology	NR	NR	Events: 2 (NR)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 % change from baseline: - 0.97, p=NR	No
Sharma, 2020 ¹¹⁷	Arm 1	Outpatient Contact (Total)	"Service Evaluation" - Outpatient	NR	NR	Events: 1036 (NR)	NR	REF	No
Sharma, 2020 ¹¹⁷	Arm 2	Outpatient Contact (Total)	"Service Evaluation" - Outpatient	NR	NR	Events: 334 (NR)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 % change from baseline: - 0.68, p=NR	No
Sharma, 2020 ¹¹⁷	Arm 1	Outpatient IBD Clinical Nurse Specialist Contact	"Service Evaluation" - Outpatient	NR	NR	Events: 21 (NR)	NR	REF	No
Sharma, 2020 ¹¹⁷	Arm 2	Outpatient IBD Clinical Nurse Specialist Contact	"Service Evaluation" - Outpatient	NR	NR	Events: 21 (NR)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 % change from baseline: 0, p=NR	No
Sharma, 2020 ¹¹⁷	Arm 1	Outpatient Pharmacy Contact	"Service Evaluation" - Outpatient	NR	NR	Events: 85 (NR)	NR	REF	No
Sharma, 2020 ¹¹⁷	Arm 2	Outpatient Pharmacy Contact	"Service Evaluation" - Outpatient	NR	NR	Events: 43 (NR)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 % change from baseline: - 0.49, p=NR	No
Sharma, 2020 ¹¹⁷	Arm 1	Outpatient Psychology Contact	"Service Evaluation" - Outpatient	NR	NR	Events: 56 (NR)	NR	REF	No
Sharma, 2020 ¹¹⁷	Arm 2	Outpatient Psychology Contact	"Service Evaluation" - Outpatient	NR	NR	Events: 25 (NR)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 % change from baseline: - 0.55, p=NR	No

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Winkleman, 2020 ¹²⁶	Full group	Clinical Outcome: Further Follow-up	patients with successful video visit	49 days	94	44 (0.468)	NR	NR	No
Winkleman, 2020 ¹²⁶	Full group	Clinical Outcome: Further Testing	patients with successful video visit	49 days	94	35 (0.372)	NR	NR	Νο
Winkleman, 2020 ¹²⁶	Full group	Clinical Outcome: Prescription	patients with successful video visit	49 days	94	20 (0.212)	NR	NR	No
Winkleman, 2020 ¹²⁶	Full group	Clinical Outcome: Scheduled Surgery/Pro cedure	patients with successful video visit	49 days	94	10 (0.106)	NR	NR	No
Zhu, 2021 ¹³³	Arm 1	De- escalated immunosup pression change	2019 cohort (face to face)	NR	1286	162 (12.6)	NR	Ref	NR
Zhu, 2021 ¹³³	Arm 2	De- escalated immunosup pression change	2020 cohort (telehealth)	NR	1493	150 (10)	NR	Ref: No change in immunosupp ression Odds ratio: 0.75 (95% CI: 0.593 to 0.954), p=0.019	No
Zhu, 2021 ¹³³	Arm 1	Discharged	2019 cohort (face to face)	NR	1443	87 (6)	NR	Ref	No
Zhu, 2021 ¹³³	Arm 2	Discharged	2020 cohort (telehealth)	NR	1597	63 (3.9)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 0.64 (95% CI: 0.459 to 0.892), p=0.008	No

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Zhu, 2021 ¹³³	Arm 1	Escalated immunosup pression change	2019 cohort (face to face)	NR	1286	166 (12.9)	NR	Ref	No
Zhu, 2021 ¹³³	Arm 2	Escalated immunosup pression change	2020 cohort (telehealth)	NR	1493	174 (11.7)	NR	Ref: No change in immunosupp ression Odds ratio: 0.85 (95% Cl: 0.677 to 1.071), p=0.169	No
Zhu, 2021 ¹³³	Arm 1	Injection or Aspirate performed	2019 cohort (face to face)	NR	1286	29 (2.3)	NR	Ref	No
Zhu, 2021 ¹³³	Arm 2	Injection or Aspirate performed	2020 cohort (telehealth)	NR	1493	6 (0.4)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Odds ratio: 0.18 (95% CI: 0.072 to 0.423), p≤0.001	No
Zhu, 2021 ¹³³	Arm 1	Making a rheumatolo gical diagnosis	2019 cohort (face to face)	NR	94	54 (57.4)	NR	Ref	No
Zhu, 2021 ¹³³	Arm 2	Making a rheumatolo gical diagnosis	2020 cohort (telehealth)	NR	105	30 (28.6)	NR	Ref: Arm1 Odds ratio: 0.3 (95% CI: 0.164 to 0.534), p≤0.001	No
Zhu, 2021 ¹³³	Arm 1	No immunosup pression change	2019 cohort (face to face)	NR	1286	938 (72.9)	NR	Ref	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Time Point of Analysis	N at Analysis	Participants With Outcomes, n (%)	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Compariso n	Adjusted
Zhu, 2021 ¹³³	Arm 2	No immunosup pression change	2020 cohort (telehealth)	NR	1493	1155 (77.4)	NR	Ref: No change in immunosupp ression Odds ratio: NR	No
Zhu, 2021 ¹³³	Arm 1	Switched immunosup pression change	2019 cohort (face to face)	NR	1286	20 (1.6)	NR	Ref	No
Zhu, 2021 ¹³³	Arm 2	Switched immunosup pression change	2020 cohort (telehealth)	NR	1493	14 (0.9)	NR	Ref: No change in immunosupp ression Odds ratio: 0.57 (95% Cl: 0.286 to 1.132), p=0.108	No

 BMI=body mass index; BMTT= bilateral myringotomy with tympanostomy tube placement; CI=confidence interval; DTC= differentiated thyroid cancer; EQ-VAS=Euroqol visual analogue scale; FTW=fit to work; IBD=irritable bowel disease; LARC= long-acting reversible contraception; N=sample size; NR=not reported; OR=odds ratio; p=p-value; PED=pediatric emergency department; PPV=postpartum visit; PTA=pure tone average; Ref=reference; RTW=return to work; SARC= short-acting reversible contraception

Table D.8.2. Other outcome (continuous) results of studies investigating benefits and harms of telehealth during COVID-19 (Key Question 2)

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	N	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Albornoz-Cabello, 2021 ¹⁷	Arm 1	FLEXION	Full group	4 weeks	Baseline: 27 Followup: 27	Baseline: Mean: 110 (SD 16.2) Followup: Mean: 111 (SD 16.5)	Mean change from baseline: 1 (95% CI: -3 to 2), p=NS	Ref	No
Albornoz-Cabello, 2021 ¹⁷	Arm 2	FLEXION	Full group	4 weeks	Baseline: 27 Followup: 27	Baseline: Mean: 117 (SD 11) Followup: Mean: 126 (SD 12.3)	Mean change from baseline: 9 (95% CI: 5 to 13), p≤0.001	Ref: Arm1 (control) Mean change from baseline: 15 (95% CI: 4 to 24), p≤0.05	No
Albornoz-Cabello, 2021 ¹⁷	Arm 1	Low extremity functionality scale (KUJALA)	Full group	4 weeks	Baseline: 27 Followup: 27	Baseline: Mean: 50 (SD 13.7) Followup: Mean: 53 (SD 12.5)	Mean change from baseline: 3 (95% CI: 1 to 5), p≤0.05	Ref	No
Albornoz-Cabello, 2021 ¹⁷	Arm 2	Low extremity functionality scale (KUJALA)	Full group	4 weeks	Baseline: 27 Followup: 27	Baseline: Mean: 49 (SD 14.9) Followup: Mean: 69 (SD 13.1)	Mean change from baseline: 20 (95% CI: 16 to 23), p≤0.001	Ref: Arm1 (control) Mean change from baseline: 16 (95% CI: 8 to 22), p≤0.001	Νο
Albornoz-Cabello, 2021 ¹⁷	Arm 1	Low extremity functionality scale (LEFS)	Full group	4 weeks	Baseline: 27 Followup: 27	Baseline: Mean: 47 (SD 8.9) Followup: Mean: 50 (SD 10.3)	Mean change from baseline: 3 (95% CI: 1 to 5), p=NS	Ref	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	N	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Albornoz-Cabello, 2021 ¹⁷	Arm 2	Low extremity functionality scale (LEFS)	Full group	4 weeks	Baseline: 27 Followup: 27	Baseline: Mean: 45 (SD 15.2) Followup: Mean: 60 (SD 9)	Mean change from baseline: 15 (95% CI: 9 to 19), p≤0.001	Ref: Arm1 (control) Mean change from baseline: 10 (95% CI: 3 to 14), p≤0.05	No
Albornoz-Cabello, 2021 ¹⁷	Arm 1	Visual analogue scale (VAS)	Full group	4 weeks	Baseline: 27 Followup: 27	Baseline: Mean: 63 (SD 17.6) Followup: Mean: 63 (SD 18.8)	Mean change from baseline: 0 (95% CI: -2 to 3), p=NS	Ref	No
Albornoz-Cabello, 2021 ¹⁷	Arm 2	Visual analogue scale (VAS)	Full group	4 weeks	Baseline: 27 Followup: 27	Baseline: Mean: 58 (SD 12.1) Followup: Mean: 48 (SD 13.1)	Mean change from baseline: 10 (95% CI: 3.7 to 15), p≤0.05	Ref: Arm1 (control) Mean change from baseline: 15 (95% CI: 5 to 23), p≤0.05	No
Bogin, 2022 ²²	Arm 1	Number of visits after the first video	Residents without readmission	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 646	Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.58 (SD 1.6)	NR	Ref	No
Bogin, 2022 ²²	Arm 2	Number of visits after the first video	Residents with readmission	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 76	Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 2.26 (SD 1.9)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: , p=0.002	No
Bogin, 2022 ²²	Arm 1	Video visit length (minutes)	Residents without readmission	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 646	Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 30 (SD 15.9)	NR	Ref	No
Bogin, 2022 ²²	Arm 2	Video visit length (minutes)	Residents with readmission	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 76	Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 34 (SD 22.7)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: , p=0.3	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	N	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Bogin, 2022 ²²	Arm 1	Video visit length >=30min	Residents without readmission	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	NR	Ref	No
Bogin, 2022 ²²	Arm 2	Video visit length >=30min	Residents with readmission	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: , p=0.81	No
Boscari, 2021 ²⁵	Full group	Coefficient of variation	Full group	8 weeks	Baseline: 71 Followup: 71	Baseline: Mean: 33.9 (SD 4.8) Followup: Mean: 33.9 (SD 5.5)	Mean change from baseline: NR, p=0.9	NR	No
Boscari, 2021 ²⁵	Full group	Glucose management indicator	Full group	8 weeks	Baseline: 71 Followup: 71	Baseline: Mean: 7.16 (SD 0.56) Followup: Mean: 7.05 (SD 0.53)	Mean change from baseline: NR, p=0.002	NR	No
Boscari, 2021 ²⁵	Full group	Mean glucose (mg/dl)	Full group	8 weeks	Baseline: 71 Followup: 71	Baseline: Mean: 161.1 (SD 23.1) Followup: Mean: 156.3 (SD 21.5)	Mean change from baseline: NR, p=0.001	NR	No
Boscari, 2021 ²⁵	Full group	Sensor use	Full group	8 weeks	Baseline: 71 Followup: 71	Baseline: Mean: 92.6 (SD 14.3) Followup: Mean: 92.3 (SD 15.3)	Mean change from baseline: NR, p=0.9	NR	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	N	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Boscari, 2021 ²⁵	Full group	Time in hypoglycemia	Full group	8 weeks	Baseline: 71 Followup: 71	Baseline: Mean: 33.4 (SD 15.7) Followup: Mean: 30.5 (SD 15.3)	Mean change from baseline: NR, p=0.002	NR	No
Boscari, 2021 ²⁵	Full group	Time in target	Full group	8 weeks	Baseline: 71 Followup: 71	Baseline: Mean: 63.6 (SD 15.3) Followup: Mean: 66.3 (SD 15.1)	Mean change from baseline: NR, p=0.0009	NR	No
Cancer, 2021 ²⁷	Arm 1	Rapid Automatized Naming Test	In-presence	5 weeks	Baseline: 15 Followup: 15	Baseline: Mean: - 1.82 (SD 1.18) Followup: Mean: - 1.71 (SD 1.14)	NR	Ref	No
Cancer, 2021 ²⁷	Arm 2	Rapid Automatized Naming Test	Telerehabilitatio n	5 weeks	Baseline: 15 Followup: 15	Baseline: Mean: - 3.02 (SD 2.69) Followup: Mean: - 1.19 (SD 1.86)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: , p=0.37	No
Cancer, 2021 ²⁷	Arm 1	Reading accuracy	In-presence	5 weeks	Baseline: 15 Followup: 15	Baseline: Mean: - 3.35 (SD 3.94) Followup: Mean: - 2.3 (SD 2.29)	NR	Ref	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	N	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Cancer, 2021 ²⁷	Arm 2	Reading accuracy	Telerehabilitatio n	5 weeks	Baseline: 15 Followup: 15	Baseline: Mean: - 2.89 (SD 2.06) Followup: Mean: - 2.47 (SD 2.42)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: , p=<0.04	No
Cancer, 2021 ²⁷	Arm 1	Reading speed	In-presence	5 weeks	Baseline: 15 Followup: 15	Baseline: Mean: - 1.8 (SD 0.62) Followup: Mean: - 1.34 (SD 0.83)	NR	Ref	No
Cancer, 2021 ²⁷	Arm 2	Reading speed	Telerehabilitatio n	5 weeks	Baseline: 15 Followup: 15	Baseline: Mean: - 1.7 (SD 0.63) Followup: Mean: - 1.21 (SD 0.72)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: , p=<0.001	No
Candel, 2020 ²⁸	Arm 1	HAD-A Score	full group	NR	Baseline: 25 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: 5.2 (95% CI: 3.8 to 6.7) Followup: NR	NR	Ref	No
Candel, 2020 ²⁸	Arm 2	HAD-A Score	full group	NR	Baseline: 25 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: 4.5 (95% CI: 2.7 to 6.3) Followup: NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 t-test: NR, p=0.49	No
Candel, 2020 ²⁸	Arm 1	HAD-A Score	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	Ref	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	N	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Candel, 2020 ²⁸	Arm 2	HAD-A Score	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p=0.49	No
Candel, 2020 ²⁸	Arm 1	Number of PPE set used by Nurses per patient	full group	NR	Baseline: 25 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: 2 Followup: NR	NR	Ref	No
Candel, 2020 ²⁸	Arm 2	Number of PPE set used by Nurses per patient	full group	NR	Baseline: 25 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: 2 Followup: NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 t-test: NR, p=0.13	No
Candel, 2020 ²⁸	Arm 1	Number of PPE set used by Nurses per patient	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	Ref	No
Candel, 2020 ²⁸	Arm 2	Number of PPE set used by Nurses per patient	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 t-test: NR, p=0.13	No
Candel, 2020 ²⁸	Arm 1	Number of PPE set used by Physician per patient	full group	NR	Baseline: 25 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: 1.7 Followup: NR	NR	Ref	No
Candel, 2020 ²⁸	Arm 2	Number of PPE set used by Physician per patient	full group	NR	Baseline: 25 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: 1.3 Followup: NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 t-test: NR, p=0.013	No
Candel, 2020 ²⁸	Arm 1	Number of PPE set used by Physician per patient	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	Ref	No
Candel, 2020 ²⁸	Arm 2	Number of PPE set used by Physician per patient	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 t-test: NR, p=0.013	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	N	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Capozza, 2020 ²⁹	Full group	CDR- Behavior	full group	6.78 months	Baseline: 32 Followup: 32	Baseline: Mean: 1.41 (SD 0.7) Followup: Mean: 1.58 (SD 0.77)	Mean change from baseline: p=0.01	NR	No
Capozza, 2020 ²⁹	Full group	CDR- Language	full group	6.78 months	Baseline: 32 Followup: 32	Baseline: Mean: 0.69 (SD 0.66) Followup: Mean: 0.86 (SD 0.79)	Mean change from baseline: p=0.009	NR	No
Capozza, 2020 ²⁹	Full group	CDR SoB	full group	6.78 months	Baseline: 32 Followup: 32	Baseline: Mean: 5.3 (SD 3.13) Followup: Mean: 5.41 (SD 3.11)	Mean change from baseline: p=0.13	NR	No
Chang, 2021 ³²	Arm 1	Average number of medications started	full group	NR	Baseline: 46 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: 0.39 (NR) Followup: NR	NR	NR	No
Chang, 2021 ³²	Arm 2	Average number of medications started	full group	NR	Baseline: 50 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: 0.22 (NR) Followup: NR	NR	NR	No
Chesnel, 2021 ³³	Full group	Difficulty to obtain relevant information due to the phone way (numerical scale of 0–10)	Full group	NR	Baseline: 328 Followup: 328	Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1 (SD 2)	NR	NR	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	N	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Chesnel, 2021 ³³	Full group	Efficiency of the consultation (numerical scale of 0–10)	Full group	NR	Baseline: 328 Followup: 328	Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 9.3 (SD 1.5)	NR	NR	No
De Marchi, 2021 ⁴³	Full group	Mean monthly decline for patients (ALSFRS-R score)	0	Before televisit NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 19	Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.88 (SD 1.17)	NR	NR	No
De Marchi, 2021 ⁴³	Full group	Mean monthly decline for patients (ALSFRS-R score)	0	During televist NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 19	Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.49 (SD 0.75)	NR	NR	No
Etherton, 2021 ⁴⁵	Arm 1	Number of cases with Stroke diagnosis (per week)	Telestroke Consult	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	Ref	No
Etherton, 2021 ⁴⁵	Arm 2	Number of cases with Stroke diagnosis (per week)	Telestroke Consult	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 % change from baseline: NR, p=0.2	No
Etherton, 2021 ⁴⁵	Arm 1	Number of cases with TIA diagnosis (per week)	Telestroke Consult	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	Ref	No
Etherton, 2021 ⁴⁵	Arm 2	Number of cases with TIA diagnosis (per week)	Telestroke Consult	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 % change from baseline: NR, p=0.02	No
Etherton, 2021 ⁴⁵	Arm 1	Patients receiving alteplase (per week)	Telestroke Consult	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	Ref	No
Etherton, 2021 ⁴⁵	Arm 2	Patients receiving alteplase (per week)	Telestroke Consult	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 % change from baseline: NR, p=0.84	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	N	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Etherton, 2021 ⁴⁵	Arm 1	Patients receiving alteplase (per week)	CSC Admission	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	Ref	No
Etherton, 2021 ⁴⁵	Arm 2	Patients receiving alteplase (per week)	CSC Admission	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 % change from baseline: NR, p=0.42	No
Etherton, 2021 ⁴⁵	Arm 1	Time form CSC ED arrival to Groin Puncture for thrombectomy (mins)	CSC Admission	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: Median: 67.5 (IQR: 21.5 to 107.2) Followup: NR	NR	Ref	No
Etherton, 2021 ⁴⁵	Arm 2	Time form CSC ED arrival to Groin Puncture for thrombectomy (mins)	CSC Admission	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: Median: 64.5 (IQR: 33.8 to 129.5) Followup: NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p=0.78	No
Etherton, 2021 ⁴⁵	Arm 1	Time from ED arrival to alteplase (mins)	Telestroke Consult	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: Median: 64.5 (IQR: 49.8 to 81.8) Followup: NR	NR	Ref	No
Etherton, 2021 ⁴⁵	Arm 2	Time from ED arrival to alteplase (mins)	Telestroke Consult	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: Median: 70 (IQR: 59.5 to 104.5) Followup: NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p=0.25	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	N	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Etherton, 2021 ⁴⁵	Arm 1	Time from ED arrival to alteplase (mins)	CSC Admission	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: Median: 42 (IQR: 28 to 64) Followup: NR	NR	Ref	No
Etherton, 2021 ⁴⁵	Arm 2	Time from ED arrival to alteplase (mins)	CSC Admission	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: Median: 43 (IQR: 39 to 51) Followup: NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p=0.56	No
Etherton, 2021 ⁴⁵	Arm 1	Time from ED arrival to telehealth consult (mins)	Telestroke Consult	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: Median: 35 (IQR: 19.8 to 55.8) Followup: NR	NR	Ref	No
Etherton, 2021 ⁴⁵	Arm 2	Time from ED arrival to telehealth consult (mins)	Telestroke Consult	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: Median: 35 (IQR: 23 to 52) Followup: NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p=0.83	No
Etherton, 2021 ⁴⁵	Arm 1	Time from LKW to ED Presentation (mins)	Telestroke Consult	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: Median: 68.5 (IQR: 42 to 127) Followup: NR	NR	Ref	No
Etherton, 2021 ⁴⁵	Arm 2	Time from LKW to ED Presentation (mins)	Telestroke Consult	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: Median: 65 (IQR: 38 to 97.2) Followup: NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p=0.44	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	N	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Etherton, 2021 ⁴⁵	Arm 1	Time from LKW to ED Presentation (mins)	CSC Admission	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: Median: 686.5 (IQR: 198 to 2095) Followup: NR	NR	Ref	No
Etherton, 2021 ⁴⁵	Arm 2	Time from LKW to ED Presentation (mins)	CSC Admission	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: Median: 704 (IQR: 226 to 1689.5) Followup: NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p=0.87	No
Etherton, 2021 ⁴⁵	Arm 1	Time from symptoms to ED presentation (mins)	Telestroke Consult	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: Median: 51 (IQR: 35 to 85) Followup: NR	NR	Ref	No
Etherton, 2021 ⁴⁵	Arm 2	Time from symptoms to ED presentation (mins)	Telestroke Consult	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: Median: 55.5 (IQR: 36.8 to 76.2) Followup: NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p=0.98	No
Etherton, 2021 ⁴⁵	Arm 1	Time from symptoms to ED presentation (mins)	CSC Admission	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: Median: 299 (IQR: 110 to 936) Followup: NR	NR	Ref	No
Etherton, 2021 ⁴⁵	Arm 2	Time from symptoms to ED presentation (mins)	CSC Admission	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: Median: 272 (IQR: 138.2 to 795.5) Followup: NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p=0.99	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	N	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Gaetani, 2021 ⁵⁰	Arm 1	Mean ESS	Individuals with Clinically Relevant episodes of Epistaxis	244 days	Baseline: 32 Followup: 32	Baseline: Mean: 5.5 (SD 1.9) Followup: Mean: 3.6 (SD 1.4)	Mean change from baseline: -1.9, p≤0.01	NR	No
Gaetani, 2021 ⁵⁰	Arm 1	Mean ESS	full group	244 days	Baseline: 45 Followup: 45	Baseline: Mean: 4.4 (SD 2.4) Followup: Mean: 3 (SD 1.6)	Mean change from baseline: -1.4, p≤0.01	NR	No
Gaetani, 2021 ⁵⁰	Arm 1	Patients with EQ- VAS Improved	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Total Improved from Baseline: 0.311, p=NR	NR	No
Gaetani, 2021 ⁵⁰	Arm 1	Patients with EQ- VAS Stable	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Total Stable from Baseline: 0.556, p=NR	NR	No
Gaetani, 2021 ⁵⁰	Arm 1	Patients with EQ- VAS worsened	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Total Worsened from Baseline: 0.133, p=NR	NR	No
Gaetani, 2021 ⁵⁰	Arm 1	Patients with Normal Euro- Quality of Live Visual Analogue Scale (EQ-VAS)	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	% change from baseline: 0.13, p=NR	NR	No
Gaetani, 2021 ⁵⁰	Arm 1	Patients with Pathologic EQ-VAS	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	% change from baseline: -0.13, p=NR	NR	No
Garmendia, 2021 ⁵¹	Arm 1	Sleep Apnea Symptom Score	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	Ref	No
Garmendia, 2021 ⁵¹	Arm 2	Sleep Apnea Symptom Score	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 t-test: NR, p=	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	N	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Grandizio, 2022 ⁵²	Arm 1	Elbow flexion test	In-person evaluation	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	NR	Ref	No
Grandizio, 2022 ⁵²	Arm 2	Elbow flexion test	Telemedicine evaluation	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Agreement %: 97, p=Kappa: 0.94	No
Grandizio, 2022 ⁵²	Arm 1	Median nerve compression test	In-person evaluation	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	NR	Ref	No
Grandizio, 2022 ⁵²	Arm 2	Median nerve compression test	Telemedicine evaluation	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Agreement %: 94, p=Kappa: 0.88	No
Grandizio, 2022 ⁵²	Arm 1	Median nerve numbness	In-person evaluation	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	NR	Ref	No
Grandizio, 2022 ⁵²	Arm 2	Median nerve numbness	Telemedicine evaluation	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Agreement %: 100, p=Kappa: 1	No
Grandizio, 2022 ⁵²	Arm 1	Median nerve sensory changes	In-person evaluation	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	NR	Ref	No
Grandizio, 2022 ⁵²	Arm 2	Median nerve sensory changes	Telemedicine evaluation	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Agreement %: 63, p=Kappa: 0.26	No
Grandizio, 2022 ⁵²	Arm 1	Nocturnal numbness	In-person evaluation	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	NR	Ref	No
Grandizio, 2022 ⁵²	Arm 2	Nocturnal numbness	Telemedicine evaluation	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Agreement %: 100, p=Kappa: 1	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	N	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Grandizio, 2022 ⁵²	Arm 1	Positive Phalen's test	In-person evaluation	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	NR	Ref	No
Grandizio, 2022 ⁵²	Arm 2	Positive Phalen's test	Telemedicine evaluation	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Agreement %: 97, p=Kappa: 0.94	No
Grandizio, 2022 ⁵²	Arm 1	Positive Tinel sign	In-person evaluation	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	NR	Ref	No
Grandizio, 2022 ⁵²	Arm 2	Positive Tinel sign	Telemedicine evaluation	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Agreement %: 78, p=Kappa: 0.56	No
Grandizio, 2022 ⁵²	Arm 1	Thenar atrophy or weakness	In-person evaluation	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	NR	Ref	No
Grandizio, 2022 ⁵²	Arm 2	Thenar atrophy or weakness	Telemedicine evaluation	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Agreement %: 94, p=Kappa: 0.88	No
Grandizio, 2022 ⁵²	Arm 1	Tinel sign	In-person evaluation	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	NR	Ref	No
Grandizio, 2022 ⁵²	Arm 2	Tinel sign	Telemedicine evaluation	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Agreement %: 84, p=Kappa: 0.68	No
Gross, 2020 ⁵³	Arm 2	Nature of FTW Restrictions - Anticipated duration of RTW restrictions in weeks	full group	NR	Baseline: 1205 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: 4.6 (SD 4.2) Followup: NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Mean change from baseline: NR, p≤0.001	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	N	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Gross, 2020 ⁵³	Arm 1	Nature of FTW Restrictions - Anticipated duration of RTW restrictions in weeks	full group	NR	Baseline: 2935 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: 3.8 (SD 3.8) Followup: NR	NR	REF	No
Gross, 2020 ⁵³	Arm 2	Nature of RTW Restrictions - Anticipated duration of RTW restrictions in weeks	full group	NR	Baseline: 1205 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: 3.5 (SD 4) Followup: NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Mean change from baseline: NR, p≤0.001	No
Gross, 2020 ⁵³	Arm 1	Nature of RTW Restrictions - Anticipated duration of RTW restrictions in weeks	full group	NR	Baseline: 2935 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: 4.4 (SD 3.6) Followup: NR	NR	REF	No
Hameed, 2021 ⁵⁴	Arm 1	Sit-to-stand score	full group	2 weeks	Baseline: 6 Followup: 6	Baseline: Mean: 12 (SD 4) Followup: Mean: 11 (SD 7)	Wilcoxon Signed Rank Test: 0, p=>.99	NR	No
Hameed, 2021 ⁵⁴	Arm 3	Sit-to-stand score	full group	2 weeks	Baseline: 8 Followup: 8	Baseline: Mean: 8 (SD 3) Followup: Mean: 12 (SD 1)	Wilcoxon Signed Rank Test: -2.53, p=0.01	NR	No
Hameed, 2021 ⁵⁴	Arm 4	Sit-to-stand score	full group	2 weeks	Baseline: 8 Followup: 8	Baseline: Mean: 10 (SD 5) Followup: Mean: 13 (SD 3)	Wilcoxon Signed Rank Test: -1.89, p=0.06	NR	No
Hameed, 2021 ⁵⁴	Arm 2	Sit-to-stand score	full group	2 weeks	Baseline: 31 Followup: 31	Baseline: Mean: 9 (SD 4) Followup: Mean: 13 (SD 3)	Wilcoxon Signed Rank Test: -4.26, p≤.001	NR	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	N	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Hameed, 2021 ⁵⁴	Arm 1	Sit-to-stand score	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's d with hedges correction: 0.15, p=NR	NR	No
Hameed, 2021 ⁵⁴	Arm 2	Sit-to-stand score	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's d with hedges correction: 1.14, p=NR	NR	No
Hameed, 2021 ⁵⁴	Arm 3	Sit-to-stand score	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's d with hedges correction: 1.02, p=NR	NR	No
Hameed, 2021 ⁵⁴	Arm 4	Sit-to-stand score	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's d with hedges correction: 0.61, p=NR	NR	No
Hameed, 2021 ⁵⁴	Arm 1	Step Test Score	full group	2 weeks	Baseline: 6 Followup: 6	Baseline: Mean: 59 (SD 30) Followup: Mean: 69 (SD 12)	Wilcoxon Signed Rank Test: -1.16, p=0.25	NR	No
Hameed, 2021 ⁵⁴	Arm 3	Step Test Score	full group	2 weeks	Baseline: 8 Followup: 8	Baseline: Mean: 46 (SD 27) Followup: Mean: 71 (SD 30)	Wilcoxon Signed Rank Test: -2.2, p=0.02	NR	No
Hameed, 2021 ⁵⁴	Arm 4	Step Test Score	full group	2 weeks	Baseline: 8 Followup: 8	Baseline: Mean: 54 (SD 24) Followup: Mean: 76 (SD 14)	Wilcoxon Signed Rank Test: -0.2, p=0.03	NR	No
Hameed, 2021 ⁵⁴	Arm 2	Step Test Score	full group	2 weeks	Baseline: 31 Followup: 31	Baseline: Mean: 44 (SD 23) Followup: Mean: 73 (SD 26)	Wilcoxon Signed Rank Test: -4.21, p≤.001	NR	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	N	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Hameed, 2021 ⁵⁴	Arm 1	Step Test Score	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's d with hedges correction: 0.38, p=NR	NR	No
Hameed, 2021 ⁵⁴	Arm 2	Step Test Score	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's d with hedges correction: 0.96, p=NR	NR	No
Hameed, 2021 ⁵⁴	Arm 3	Step Test Score	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's d with hedges correction: 1.11, p=NR	NR	No
Hameed, 2021 ⁵⁴	Arm 4	Step Test Score	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's d with hedges correction: 0.85, p=NR	NR	No
Hamner, 2021 ⁵⁵	Arm 1	Changes in KTEA- 3 (Letter and Word)	In-person	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	NR	Ref	No
Hamner, 2021 ⁵⁵	Arm 2	Changes in KTEA- 3 (Letter and Word)	Telehealth	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Mean difference: 1.11, p=0.33	No
Hamner, 2021 ⁵⁵	Arm 1	Changes in KTEA- 3 (Math concepts)	In-person	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	NR	Ref	No
Hamner, 2021 ⁵⁵	Arm 2	Changes in KTEA- 3 (Math concepts)	Telehealth	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Mean difference: 2.95, p=0.03	No
Hamner, 2021 ⁵⁵	Arm 1	WISC-V (Digit span)	In-person	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	NR	Ref	No
Hamner, 2021 ⁵⁵	Arm 2	WISC-V (Digit span)	Telehealth	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Mean difference: 0.43, p=0.18	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	N	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Hamner, 202155	Arm 1	WISC-V (Matrix reasoning)	In-person	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	NR	Ref	No
Hamner, 2021 ⁵⁵	Arm 2	WISC-V (Matrix reasoning)	Telehealth	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Mean difference: - 0.24, p=0.42	No
Hamner, 2021 ⁵⁵	Arm 1	WISC-V (Similarities)	In-person	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	NR	Ref	No
Hamner, 2021 ⁵⁵	Arm 2	WISC-V (Similarities)	Telehealth	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Mean difference: 0.18, p=0.48	No
Hamner, 202155	Arm 1	WISC-V (Visual puzzles)	In-person	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	NR	Ref	No
Hamner, 202155	Arm 2	WISC-V (Visual puzzles)	Telehealth	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Mean difference: 0.96, p=<0.01	No
Hamner, 2021 ⁵⁵	Arm 1	WISC-V (Vocabulary)	In-person	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	NR	Ref	No
Hamner, 2021 ⁵⁵	Arm 2	WISC-V (Vocabulary)	Telehealth	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Mean difference: 0.44, p=0.11	No
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 2	6MWT	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: 17 Followup: 17	Baseline: Mean: 403.57 (SD 107.13) Followup: Mean: 434.72 (SD 73.78)	Mean change from baseline: -30.7 (95% Cl: -61.5 to 14.13), p=0.051	NR	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	N	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 1	6MWT	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: 17 Followup: 17	Baseline: Mean: 407.01 (SD 137.09) Followup: Mean: 411.72 (SD 145.83)	Mean change from baseline: -11.71 (95% Cl: -26.16 to 2.73), p=0.104	NR	No
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 2	6MWT	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: NR Followup: 17	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's d: 0.3, p=NR	NR	No
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 1	6MWT	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: NR Followup: 17	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's d: 0, p=NR	NR	No
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 2	6MWT	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: NR Followup: 17	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Between group f test: 1.54, p=0.225	No
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 2	ACT	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: 17 Followup: 17	Baseline: Mean: 9.6 (SD 4.31) Followup: Mean: 11.38 (SD 4.27)	Mean change from baseline: -2.23 (95% Cl: -3.65 to - 0.81), p=0.005	NR	No
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 1	ACT	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: 17 Followup: 17	Baseline: Mean: 10.06 (SD 5.56) Followup: Mean: 10.33 (SD 5.42)	Mean change from baseline: -0.26 (95% Cl: -1.81 to 1.27), p=0.717	NR	No
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 2	ACT	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: NR Followup: 17	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's d: 0.4, p=NR	NR	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	N	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 1	ACT	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: NR Followup: 17	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's d: 0, p=NR	NR	No
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 2	ACT	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: NR Followup: 17	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Between group f test: 3.98, p=0.056	No
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ³⁷	Arm 2	Algometer score	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: 17 Followup: 17	Baseline: Mean: 45.42 (SD 12.56) Followup: Mean: 56.85 (SD 15.28)	Mean change from baseline: -11.43 (95% Cl: -18.38 to - 4.48), p=0.004	NR	No
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 1	Algometer score	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: 17 Followup: 17	Baseline: Mean: 45.2 (SD 14.68) Followup: Mean: 42.79 (SD 15.32)	Mean change from baseline: 2.4 (95% CI: - 3.48 to 8.29), p=0.391	NR	No
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 2	Algometer score	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: NR Followup: 17	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's d: 0.8, p=NR	NR	No
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 1	Algometer score	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: NR Followup: 17	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's d: - 0.1, p=NR	NR	No
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 2	Algometer score	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: NR Followup: 17	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Between group f test: 10.67, p=0.003	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	N	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 2	Algometer tender points	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: 17 Followup: 17	Baseline: Mean: 16 (SD 3.38) Followup: Mean: 14.13 (SD 4.12)	Mean change from baseline: 1.86 (95% Cl: 0.56 to 3.17), p=0.008	NR	No
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 1	Algometer tender points	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: 17 Followup: 17	Baseline: Mean: 16.5 (SD 2.47) Followup: Mean: 16.78 (SD 1.84)	Mean change from baseline: -0.28 (95% Cl: -1.25 to 0.68)	NR	No
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 2	Algometer tender points	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: NR Followup: 17	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's d: - 0.5, p=NR	NR	No
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 1	Algometer tender points	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: NR Followup: 17	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's d: 0.1, p=NR	NR	No
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 2	Algometer tender points	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: NR Followup: 17	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Between group f test: 7.9, p=0.009	No
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 2	FIQ-R score	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: 17 Followup: 17	Baseline: Mean: 59.44 (SD 9.04) Followup: Mean: 44 (SD 15.21)	Mean change from baseline: 15.43 (95% Cl: 7.81 to 23.05), p=0.001	NR	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	N	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ^{s7}	Arm 1	FIQ-R score	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: 17 Followup: 17	Baseline: Mean: 55.36 (SD 16.46) Followup: Mean: 46.9 (SD 20.47)	Mean change from baseline: 8.45 (95% Cl: -1.99 to 18.9), p=0.104	NR	No
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 2	FIQ-R score	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: NR Followup: 17	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's d: - 1.2, p=NR	NR	No
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 1	FIQ-R score	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: NR Followup: 17	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's d: - 0.4, p=NR	NR	No
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 2	FIQ-R score	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: NR Followup: 17	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Between group f test: 1.36, p=0.254	No
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ³⁷	Arm 2	HADS	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: 17 Followup: 17	Baseline: Mean: 20.52 (SD 6.83) Followup: Mean: 11.7 (SD 8.74)	Mean change from baseline: 8.82 (95% CI: 3.33 to 14.3), p=0.004	NR	No
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 1	HADS	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: 17 Followup: 17	Baseline: Mean: 20.43 (SD 8.37) Followup: Mean: 21.25 (SD 9.42)	Mean change from baseline: -0.81 (95% Cl: -2.5 to 0.87), p=0.321	NR	No
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 2	HADS	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: NR Followup: 17	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's d: - 1.1, p=NR	NR	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	N	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 1	HADS	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: NR Followup: 17	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's d: 0, p=NR	NR	No
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 2	HADS	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: NR Followup: 17	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Between group f test: 12.03, p=0.002	No
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 2	HADS-A	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: 17 Followup: 17	Baseline: Mean: 10.88 (SD 3.38) Followup: Mean: 6.29 (SD 5.13)	Mean change from baseline: 4.58 (95% Cl: 1.69 to 7.47), p=0.004	NR	No
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 1	HADS-A	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: 17 Followup: 17	Baseline: Mean: 10.81 (SD 4.1) Followup: Mean: 11 (SD 4.66)	Mean change from baseline: -0.18 (95% Cl: -1.27 to 0.89), p=0.718	NR	No
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 2	HADS-A	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: NR Followup: 17	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's d: -1, p=NR	NR	No
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 1	HADS-A	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: NR Followup: 17	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's d: 0, p=NR	NR	No
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 2	HADS-A	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: NR Followup: 17	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Between group f test: 10.25, p=0.003	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	Ν	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 2	HADS-D	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: 17 Followup: 17	Baseline: Mean: 9.64 (SD 4.16) Followup: Mean: 5.41 (SD 4.13)	Mean change from baseline: 4.23 (95% Cl: 1.51 to 6.95), p=0.005	NR	No
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 1	HADS-D	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: 17 Followup: 17	Baseline: Mean: 9.62 (SD 4.58) Followup: Mean: 1.31 (SD 5.19)	Mean change from baseline: -0.68 (95% Cl: -1.65 to 0.27), p=0.151	NR	No
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 2	HADS-D	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: NR Followup: 17	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's d: -1, p=NR	NR	No
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 1	HADS-D	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: NR Followup: 17	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's d: 0.1, p=NR	NR	No
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 2	HADS-D	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: NR Followup: 17	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Between group f test: 2.97, p=0.001	No
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 2	Helplessness Score	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: 17 Followup: 17	Baseline: Mean: 12.1 (SD 6.3) Followup: Mean: 8.9 (SD 6.1)	Mean change from baseline: 2.92 (95% Cl: 0.46 to 5.39), p=0.023	NR	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	N	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 1	Helplessness Score	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: 17 Followup: 17	Baseline: Mean: 12.4 (SD 5.2) Followup: Mean: 10.2 (SD 7.4)	Mean change from baseline: 1.75 (95% Cl: -1.13 to 4.63), p=0.215	NR	No
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 2	Helplessness Score	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: NR Followup: 17	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Other (specify): -0.5, p=NR	NR	No
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 1	Helplessness Score	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: NR Followup: 17	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Other (specify): -0.3, p=NR	NR	No
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 2	Helplessness Score	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: NR Followup: 17	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Between group f test: 0.43, p=0.518	No
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 2	Magnification Score	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: 17 Followup: 17	Baseline: Mean: 5.5 (SD 2.9) Followup: Mean: 3.6 (SD 2.4)	Mean change from baseline: 1.71 (95% Cl: 0.38 to 3.04), p=0.015	NR	No
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 1	Magnification Score	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: 17 Followup: 17	Baseline: Mean: 4.4 (SD 2.5) Followup: Mean: 3.9 (SD 3)	Mean change from baseline: 0.56 (95% Cl: -0.55 to 1.67), p=0.3	NR	No
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 2	Magnification Score	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: NR Followup: 17	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's d: - 0.7, p=NR	NR	No
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 1	Magnification Score	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: NR Followup: 17	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's d: - 0.1, p=NR	NR	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	N	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 2	Magnification Score	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: NR Followup: 17	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Between group f test: 2.05, p=0.163	No
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 2	PCS score	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: 17 Followup: 17	Baseline: Mean: 24.8 (SD 12) Followup: Mean: 17.6 (SD 12.4)	Mean change from baseline: 7 (95% CI: 1.19 to 12.8), p=0.22	NR	No
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 1	PCS score	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: 17 Followup: 17	Baseline: Mean: 24.1 (SD 10.8) Followup: Mean: 23.5 (SD 14)	Mean change from baseline: 1.07 (95% Cl: -4.54 to 6.68), p=0.687	NR	No
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 2	PCS score	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: NR Followup: 17	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's d: - 0.6, p=NR	NR	No
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 1	PCS score	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: NR Followup: 17	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's d: 0, p=NR	NR	No
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 2	PCS score	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: NR Followup: 17	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Between group f test: 0.415, p=0.525	No
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 2	Rumination Score	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: 17 Followup: 17	Baseline: Mean: 7.2 (SD 3.8) Followup: Mean: 5.1 (SD 4.7)	Mean change from baseline: 2.34 (95% Cl: -0.29 to 5.01), p=0.078	NR	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	N	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 1	Rumination Score	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: 17 Followup: 17	Baseline: Mean: 7.2 (SD 3.6) Followup: Mean: 6.9 (SD 4.9)	Mean change from baseline: 1.75 (95% Cl: -1.65 to 2.15), p=0.783	NR	No
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 2	Rumination Score	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: NR Followup: 17	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's d: - 0.5, p=NR	NR	No
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 1	Rumination Score	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: NR Followup: 17	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's d: - 0.3, p=NR	NR	No
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 2	Rumination Score	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: NR Followup: 17	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Between group f test: 1.91, p=0.169	No
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 2	VAS Score	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: 17 Followup: 17	Baseline: Mean: 7.08 (SD 1.45) Followup: Mean: 4.92 (SD 2)	Mean change from baseline: 2.15 (95% Cl: 1.37 to 2.94), p≤.001	NR	No
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 1	VAS Score	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: 17 Followup: 17	Baseline: Mean: 7.29 (SD 1.07) Followup: Mean: 6.46 (SD 1.92)	Mean change from baseline: 0.82 (95% Cl: -0.3 to 1.68), p=0.058	NR	No
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 2	VAS Score	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: NR Followup: 17	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's d: - 1.2, p=NR	NR	No
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 1	VAS Score	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: NR Followup: 17	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's d: - 0.5, p=NR	NR	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	N	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Hernando-Garijo, 2021 ⁵⁷	Arm 2	VAS Score	full group	15 weeks	Baseline: NR Followup: 17	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Between group f test: 5.99, p=0.021	No
Hughes, 2021 ⁵⁸	Arm 1	Number of Urine Drug Screens	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	Ref	No
Hughes, 2021 ⁵⁸	Arm 2	Number of Urine Drug Screens	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	Ref	No
Hughes, 2021 ⁵⁸	Arm 3	Number of Urine Drug Screens	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1, Arm 2 Chi-Squared: NR, p≤.001	No
Jaenisch, 2020 ⁶¹	Full group	Correlation of age with and non- accessable examination results	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Correlation Coefficient: 0.579, p≤0.01	NR	No
Jaenisch, 2020 ⁶¹	Full group	Correlation of age with Number of Deviations among examinations	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Correlation Coefficient: 0.588, p≤0.01	NR	No
Jaenisch, 2020 ⁶¹	Full group	Correlation of ASA with and non- accessable examination results	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Correlation Coefficient: 0.509, p≤0.01	NR	No
Jaenisch, 2020 ⁶¹	Full group	Correlation of ASA with Number of Deviations among examinations	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Correlation Coefficient: 0.396, p≤0.05	NR	No
Jaenisch, 2020 ⁶¹	Full group	Correlation of BMI with and non- accessable examination results	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Correlation Coefficient: 0.485, p≤0.01	NR	No
Jaenisch, 2020 ⁶¹	Full group	Correlation of BMI with Number of Deviations among examinations	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Correlation Coefficient: 0.389, p≤0.05	NR	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	N	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Jaenisch, 2020 ⁶¹	Full group	Correlation of sex with and non- accessable examination results	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Correlation Coefficient: NR, p=0.52	NR	No
Jaenisch, 2020 ⁶¹	Full group	Correlation of sex with Number of Deviations among examinations	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Correlation Coefficient: NR, p=0.55	NR	No
Jaenisch, 2020 ⁶¹	Full group	Exam Agreement: Function	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's Kappa: 0.61, p=NR	NR	No
Jaenisch, 2020 ⁶¹	Full group	Exam Agreement: Inspection	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's Kappa: 0.76, p=NR	NR	No
Jaenisch, 2020 ⁶¹	Full group	Exam Agreement: Palpation	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's Kappa: 0.38, p=NR	NR	No
Jaenisch, 2020 ⁶¹	Full group	Exam Agreement: Provocation	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's Kappa: 0.33, p=NR	NR	No
Jaenisch, 2020 ⁶¹	Full group	Exam Agreement: Range of Motion	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's Kappa: 0.36, p=NR	NR	No
Jansen, 2020 ⁶²	Full group	Exam Agreement: Adams test	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's Kappa: 0.407 (95% Cl: 0.181 to 0.633), p=0.001	NR	No
Jansen, 2020 ⁶²	Full group	Exam Agreement: C I - C IV	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's Kappa: 0.969 (95% CI: 0.907 to 1), p≤0.0001	NR	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	N	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Jansen, 2020 ⁶²	Full group	Exam Agreement: C I and C II	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's Kappa: 0.938 (95% Cl: 0.852 to 1), p≤0.0001	NR	No
Jansen, 2020 ⁶²	Full group	Exam Agreement: C III and C IV	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's Kappa: 0.969 (95% CI: 0.907 to 1), p≤0.0001	NR	No
Jansen, 2020 ⁶²	Full group	Exam Agreement: C V	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's Kappa: 0.876 (95% CI: 0.757 to 0.995), p≤0.0001	NR	No
Jansen, 2020 ⁶²	Full group	Exam Agreement: C VI	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's Kappa: 0.907 (95% Cl: 0.802 to 1), p≤0.0001	NR	No
Jansen, 2020 ⁶²	Full group	Exam Agreement: C VII	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's Kappa: 0.907 (95% Cl: 0.802 to 1), p≤0.0001	NR	No
Jansen, 2020 ⁶²	Full group	Exam Agreement: C VIII	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's Kappa: 0.935 (95% Cl: 0.844 to 1), p≤0.0001	NR	No
Jansen, 2020 ⁶²	Full group	Exam Agreement: Cervical spine neuroforaminal compression test	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's Kappa: 0.938 (95% Cl: 0.852 to 1), p≤0.0001	NR	No
Jansen, 2020 ⁶²	Full group	Exam Agreement: Defecation quality	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's Kappa: 1 (95% Cl: 1 to 1), p≤0.0001	NR	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	N	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Jansen, 2020 ⁶²	Full group	Exam Agreement: Dorsal inspection	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's Kappa: 0.752 (95% Cl: 0.0592 to 0.912), p≤0.0001	NR	No
Jansen, 2020 ⁶²	Full group	Exam Agreement: Dorsiflexion	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's Kappa: 0.814 (95% Cl: 0.672 to 0.956), p≤0.0001	NR	No
Jansen, 2020 ⁶²	Full group	Exam Agreement: Gait	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's Kappa: 0.944 (95% CI: 0.866 to 1), p≤0.0001	NR	No
Jansen, 2020 ⁶²	Full group	Exam Agreement: Great toe extension	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's Kappa: 0.721 (95% Cl: 0.554 to 0.888), p≤0.0001	NR	No
Jansen, 2020 ⁶²	Full group	Exam Agreement: Hip flexion	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's Kappa: 0.659 (95% CI: 0.48 to 0.838), p≤0.0001	NR	No
Jansen, 2020 ⁶²	Full group	Exam Agreement: Knee Extension	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's Kappa: 0.721 (95% Cl: 0.554 to 0.888), p≤0.0001	NR	No
Jansen, 2020 ⁶²	Full group	Exam Agreement: Lasegue	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's Kappa: 0.512 (95% Cl: 0.295 to 0.728), p≤0.0001	NR	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	N	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Jansen, 2020 ⁶²	Full group	Exam Agreement: Lateral inspection	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's Kappa: 0.814 (95% Cl: 0.672 to 0.956), p≤0.0001	NR	No
Jansen, 2020 ⁶²	Full group	Exam Agreement: Lhermitte	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's Kappa: 0.686 (95% Cl: 0.498 to 0.874), p≤0.0001	NR	No
Jansen, 2020 ⁶²	Full group	Exam Agreement: NRS Pain	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's Kappa: 0.974 (95% Cl: 0.923 to 1), p≤0.0001	NR	No
Jansen, 2020 ⁶²	Full group	Exam Agreement: Pain Location	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's Kappa: 1 (95% CI: 1 to 1), p≤0.0001	NR	No
Jansen, 2020 ⁶²	Full group	Exam Agreement: Pain on heel strike	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's Kappa: 0.86 (95% Cl: 0.726 to 0.955), p≤0.0001	NR	No
Jansen, 2020 ⁶²	Full group	Exam Agreement: Plantarflexion	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's Kappa: 0.721 (95% Cl: 0.554 to 0.888), p≤0.0001	NR	No
Jansen, 2020 ⁶²	Full group	Exam Agreement: Reverse Lasegue	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's Kappa: 0.407 (95% Cl: 0.181 to 0.633), p=0.001	NR	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	N	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Jansen, 2020 ⁶²	Full group	Exam Agreement: Sensory deficits	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's Kappa: 1 (95% CI: 1 to 1), p≤0.0001	NR	No
Jansen, 2020 ⁶²	Full group	Exam Agreement: Signs of infection	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's Kappa: 0.93 (95% Cl: 0.833 to 1), p≤0.0001	NR	No
Jansen, 2020 ⁶²	Full group	Exam Agreement: Th 1	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's Kappa: 0.907 (95% Cl: 0.802 to 1), p≤0.0001	NR	No
Jansen, 2020 ⁶²	Full group	Exam Agreement: Urination frequency	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's Kappa: 1 (95% Cl: 1 to 1), p≤0.0001	NR	No
Jansen, 2020 ⁶²	Full group	Exam Agreement: Wound inspection	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Cohen's Kappa: 0.973 (95% Cl: 0.919 to 1), p≤0.0001	NR	No
Kazi, 2021 ⁶⁴	Full group	Mean diagnoses per visit	Full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 2623	Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.11 (SD 0.02)	NR	NR	No
Kazi, 2021 ⁶⁴	Arm 2	Mean diagnoses per visit	Asynchronous visits	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 951	Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.01 (SD 0.03)	NR	Ref	No
Kazi, 2021 ⁶⁴	Arm 3	Mean diagnoses per visit	Synchronous visits	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 1672	Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.16 (SD 0.03)	NR	Ref: Arm 2 p≤0.001	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	N	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Kazi, 2021 ⁶⁴	Full group	Mean prescriptions written per visit	Full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 2623	Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.15 (SD 0.03)	NR	NR	No
Kazi, 2021 ⁶⁴	Arm 2	Mean prescriptions written per visit	Asynchronous visits	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 951	Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.39 (SD 0.06)	NR	Ref	No
Kazi, 2021 ⁶⁴	Arm 3	Mean prescriptions written per visit	Synchronous visits	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 1672	Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 1.01 (SD 0.04)	NR	Ref: Arm 2 p≤0.001	No
Kronenberger, 2021 ⁷¹	Arm 1	Letter–Number Sequencing Raw Score	Teleassessment	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 30	Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 19.1 (SD 3)	NR	NR	No
Kronenberger, 2021 ⁷¹	Arm 2	Letter–Number Sequencing Raw Score	Teleassessment	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 22	Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 15.8 (SD 4.5)	NR	NR	No
Kronenberger, 2021 ⁷¹	Arm 1	Letter–Number Sequencing Raw Score	Face to face	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 30	Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 18.2 (SD 3.6)	NR	NR	No
Kronenberger, 2021 ⁷¹	Arm 2	Letter–Number Sequencing Raw Score	Face to face	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 22	Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 15.4 (SD 4.4)	NR	NR	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	N	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Kronenberger, 2021 ⁷¹	Arm 1	Longest Digit Span Backward Raw Score	Teleassessment	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 30	Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 4.6 (SD 1.3)	NR	NR	No
Kronenberger, 2021 ⁷¹	Arm 2	Longest Digit Span Backward Raw Score	Teleassessment	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 22	Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 4.3 (SD 1)	NR	NR	No
Kronenberger, 2021 ⁷¹	Arm 1	Longest Digit Span Backward Raw Score	Face to face	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 30	Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 4.6 (SD 1.3)	NR	NR	No
Kronenberger, 2021 ⁷¹	Arm 2	Longest Digit Span Backward Raw Score	Face to face	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 22	Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 3.9 (SD 1.1)	NR	NR	No
Kronenberger, 2021 ⁷¹	Arm 1	Longest Digit Span Forward Raw Score	Teleassessment	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 30	Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 6.3 (SD 1.4)	NR	NR	No
Kronenberger, 2021 ⁷¹	Arm 2	Longest Digit Span Forward Raw Score	Teleassessment	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 22	Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 5.3 (SD 1.4)	NR	NR	No
Kronenberger, 2021 ⁷¹	Arm 1	Longest Digit Span Forward Raw Score	Face to face	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 30	Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 6 (SD 1)	NR	NR	No
Kronenberger, 2021 ⁷¹	Arm 2	Longest Digit Span Forward Raw Score	Face to face	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 22	Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 4.9 (SD 1.5)	NR	NR	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	N	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Kronenberger, 2021 ⁷¹	Arm 1	Nonword Repetition Raw Score	Teleassessment	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 30	Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 34.3 (SD 4.2)	NR	NR	No
Kronenberger, 2021 ⁷¹	Arm 2	Nonword Repetition Raw Score	Teleassessment	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 22	Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 17.1 (SD 7)	NR	NR	No
Kronenberger, 2021 ⁷¹	Arm 1	Nonword Repetition Raw Score	Face to face	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 30	Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 85 (SD 10.4)	NR	NR	No
Kronenberger, 2021 ⁷¹	Arm 2	Nonword Repetition Raw Score	Face to face	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 22	Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 43 (SD 16)	NR	NR	No
Loftus, 2022 ⁷⁸	Arm 1	Days on campus	Contemporary cohort (type of visit unclear)	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 95	Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 5.2 (SD 2.4)	NR	Ref	No
Loftus, 2022 ⁷⁸	Arm 2	Days on campus	C3 pilot (includes telehealth component)	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 34	Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 7 (SD 2.5)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: , p=0.0005	No
Loftus, 2022 ⁷⁸	Arm 1	Message: patient calls	Contemporary cohort (type of visit unclear)	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 95	Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 2.7 (SD 5)	NR	Ref	No
Loftus, 2022 ⁷⁸	Arm 2	Message: patient calls	C3 pilot (includes telehealth component)	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 34	Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 2.8 (SD 2.9)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: , p=0.15	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	N	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Loftus, 2022 ⁷⁸	Arm 1	Message: patient medical advice request	Contemporary cohort (type of visit unclear)	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 95	Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 8 (SD 9.7)	NR	Ref	No
Loftus, 2022 ⁷⁸	Arm 2	Message: patient medical advice request	C3 pilot (includes telehealth component)	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 34	Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 11.6 (SD 10.6)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: , p=0.06	No
Loftus, 2022 ⁷⁸	Arm 1	Message: patient schedule request	Contemporary cohort (type of visit unclear)	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 95	Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.5 (SD 1.4)	NR	Ref	No
Loftus, 2022 ⁷⁸	Arm 2	Message: patient schedule request	C3 pilot (includes telehealth component)	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 34	Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.3 (SD 1)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: , p=0.23	No
Longobardi, 2021 ⁷⁹	Full group	HADS score	full group	NR	Baseline: 37 Followup: 37	Baseline: Mean: 13.97 (SD 9.01) Followup: Mean: 10.23 (SD 8.16)	Mean change from baseline: p≤0.0001	NR	No
Longobardi, 2021 ⁷⁹	Full group	HADS-A score	full group	NR	Baseline: 37 Followup: 37	Baseline: Mean: 6.94 (SD 4.65) Followup: Mean: 4.86 (SD 3.91)	Mean change from baseline: p≤0.0001	NR	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	N	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Longobardi, 2021 ⁷⁹	Full group	HADS-D Score	full group	NR	Baseline: 37 Followup: 37	Baseline: Mean: 6.97 (SD 5.31) Followup: Mean: 5.36 (SD 4.93)	Mean change from baseline: p=0.0001	NR	No
Malliaras, 2020 ⁸¹	Arm 1	Health related quality of life, EQ5D	Full group	12 weeks	Baseline: 12 Followup: 11	Baseline: Mean: 0.76 (SD 0.11) Followup: Mean: 0.73 (SD 0.09)	Mean change from baseline: -0.02 (95% Cl: -0.14 to 0.1), p=NR	NR	No
Malliaras, 2020 ⁸¹	Arm 2	Health related quality of life, EQ5D	Full group	12 weeks	Baseline: 12 Followup: 12	Baseline: Mean: 0.74 (SD 0.13) Followup: Mean: 0.77 (SD 0.13)	Mean change from baseline: 0.01 (95% CI: -0.1 to 0.12), p=NR	NR	No
Malliaras, 2020 ⁸¹	Arm 3	Health related quality of life, EQ5D	Full group	12 weeks	Baseline: 12 Followup: 12	Baseline: Mean: 0.74 (SD 0.12) Followup: Mean: 0.78 (SD 0.07)	Mean change from baseline: 0.03 (95% CI: -0.02 to 0.09), p=NR	NR	No
Malliaras, 2020 ⁸¹	Arm 1	kinesiophobia, Tampa Scale for Kinesiophobia (TSK)	Full group	12 weeks	Baseline: 12 Followup: 11	Baseline: Mean: 36 (SD 7) Followup: Mean: 36.3 (SD 6.5)	Mean change from baseline: -1.9 (95% CI: -5.9 to -3), p=NR	NR	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	N	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Malliaras, 2020 ⁸¹	Arm 2	kinesiophobia, Tampa Scale for Kinesiophobia (TSK)	Full group	12 weeks	Baseline: 12 Followup: 12	Baseline: Mean: 35.2 (SD 5.8) Followup: Mean: 30.6 (SD 5.7)	Mean change from baseline: -5 (95% Cl: -7 to -3), p=NR	NR	No
Malliaras, 2020 ⁸¹	Arm 3	kinesiophobia, Tampa Scale for Kinesiophobia (TSK)	Full group	12 weeks	Baseline: 12 Followup: 12	Baseline: Mean: 35.5 (SD 6.7) Followup: Mean: 31.1 (SD 6.6)	Mean change from baseline: -4.4 (95% CI: -8.8 to -0.1), p=NR	NR	No
Martin, 2021 ⁸³	Arm 1	Change in Dypnea Score at 3 month	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Median change from baseline: 2 (95% CI: -2 to 7), p=NR	Ref	No
Martin, 2021 ⁸³	Arm 2	Change in Dypnea Score at 3 month	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Median change from baseline: 2.5 (95% CI: 0 to 6), p=NR	Ref: Arm 1 Mean change from baseline: NR, p=0.56	No
Martin, 2021 ⁸³	Arm 1	Change in Heart Rate at 3 months	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Mean change from baseline: 23.1 (95% Cl: 16.5 to 29.7), p=NR	Ref	No
Martin, 2021 ⁸³	Arm 2	Change in Heart Rate at 3 months	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Mean change from baseline: 42.6 (95% Cl: 29.4 to 55.8), p=NR	Ref: Arm 1 Mean change from baseline: NR, p=0.036	No
Martin, 2021 ⁸³	Arm 1	Change in STST at 3 months	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Median change from baseline: 5 (95% Cl: -4 to 11), p=NR	Ref	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	N	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Martin, 2021 ⁸³	Arm 2	Change in STST at 3 months	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Median change from baseline: 10 (95% CI: 5 to 19), p=NR	Ref: Arm 1 Mean change from baseline: NR, p=0.004	No
Martin, 2021 ⁸³	Arm 1	Dyspnea Score after STST	full group	NR	Baseline: 13 Followup: NR	Baseline: Median: 5 (Range: 1 to 10) Followup: NR	NR	Ref	No
Martin, 2021 ⁸³	Arm 2	Dyspnea Score after STST	full group	NR	Baseline: 14 Followup: NR	Baseline: Median: 5 (Range: 3 to 8) Followup: NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Other (specify): NR, p=0.966	No
Martin, 2021 ⁸³	Arm 1	Dyspnea Score after STST	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	Ref	No
Martin, 2021 ⁸³	Arm 2	Dyspnea Score after STST	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Other (specify): NR, p=0.966	No
Martin, 2021 ⁸³	Arm 1	Dyspnea Score at Rest	full group	NR	Baseline: 13 Followup: NR	Baseline: Median: 2 (Range: 0 to 5) Followup: NR	NR	Ref	No
Martin, 2021 ⁸³	Arm 2	Dyspnea Score at Rest	full group	NR	Baseline: 14 Followup: NR	Baseline: Median: 0 (Range: 0 to 3) Followup: NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 t-test: NR, p=0.836	No
Martin, 2021 ⁸³	Arm 1	Dyspnea Score at Rest	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	Ref	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	N	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Martin, 2021 ⁸³	Arm 2	Dyspnea Score at Rest	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 Other (specify): NR, p=0.836	No
Martin, 2021 ⁸³	Arm 1	Heart Rate after STST	full group	NR	Baseline: 13 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: 102 (SD 15.4) Followup: NR	NR	Ref	No
Martin, 2021 ⁸³	Arm 2	Heart Rate after STST	full group	NR	Baseline: 14 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: 110.5 (SD 18.5) Followup: NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 t-test: NR, p=0.26	No
Martin, 2021 ⁸³	Arm 1	Heart Rate at Rest	full group	NR	Baseline: 13 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: 86.2 (SD 15.3) Followup: NR	NR	Ref	No
Martin, 2021 ⁸³	Arm 2	Heart Rate at Rest	full group	NR	Baseline: 14 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: 90.5 (SD 17.3) Followup: NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 t-test: NR, p=0.547	No
Martin, 2021 ⁸³	Arm 1	Number of Repititions during STST	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	Ref	No
Martin, 2021 ⁸³	Arm 2	Number of Repititions during STST	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 t-test: NR, p=0.123	No
Martin, 2021 ⁸³	Arm 1	SpO2 after STST	full group	NR	Baseline: 13 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: 92.5 (SD 1.7) Followup: NR	NR	Ref	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	N	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Martin, 2021 ⁸³	Arm 2	SpO2 after STST	full group	NR	Baseline: 14 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: 91.8 (SD 3.3) Followup: NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 t-test: NR, p=0.568	No
Martin, 2021 ⁸³	Arm 1	SpO2 at Rest	full group	NR	Baseline: 13 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: 94.8 (SD 1.9) Followup: NR	NR	Ref	No
Martin, 2021 ⁸³	Arm 2	SpO2 at Rest	full group	NR	Baseline: 14 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: 95.1 (SD 1.9) Followup: NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 t-test: NR, p=0.655	No
McLachlan, 2021 ⁸⁶	Full group	Blood Pressure	full group	203 days	Baseline: 50 Followup: 50	Baseline: Other (specify): 120 (NR) Followup: Presumed Mean: 118 (NR)	Assumed mean change: NR, p=0.004	NR	No
McLachlan, 2021 ⁸⁶	Full group	Heart Rate	full group	203 days	Baseline: 50 Followup: 50	Baseline: Other (specify): 76.5 (NR) Followup: Presumed Mean: 65 (NR)	Assumed mean change: NR, p=0.002	NR	No
McLachlan, 2021 ⁸⁶	Full group	Heart Rate	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Assume mean change p=0.002	NR	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	N	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
McLachlan, 2021 ⁸⁶	Full group	pro-BNP	full group	203 days	Baseline: 50 Followup: 50	Baseline: Other (specify): 204.5 (Other (specify) NR) Followup: Other (specify): 65 (NR)	Assumed mean change: p=0.001	NR	No
Offiah, 2022 ⁹¹	Arm 1	Medical specialty referral	Traditional clinic	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	NR	Ref	No
Offiah, 2022 ⁹¹	Arm 2	Medical specialty referral	Virtual clinic	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	NR	Ref: Assuming Arm1 p-value only: , p=0.0028	No
Offiah, 2022 ⁹¹	Arm 1	Referral for coronary artery bypass grafting	Traditional clinic	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	NR	NR	No
Offiah, 2022 ⁹¹	Arm 2	Referral for coronary artery bypass grafting	Virtual clinic	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	NR	NR	No
Offiah, 2022 ⁹¹	Arm 1	Referral for device	Traditional clinic	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	NR	NR	No
Offiah, 2022 ⁹¹	Arm 2	Referral for device	Virtual clinic	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	NR	NR	No
Offiah, 2022 ⁹¹	Arm 1	Referral for valve surgery	Traditional clinic	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	NR	NR	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	N	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Offiah, 2022 ⁹¹	Arm 2	Referral for valve surgery	Virtual clinic	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	NR	NR	No
Offiah, 2022 ⁹¹	Arm 1	Specialist nurse clinic referral	Traditional clinic	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	NR	Ref	No
Offiah, 2022 ⁹¹	Arm 2	Specialist nurse clinic referral	Virtual clinic	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	NR	Ref: Assuming Arm1 p-value only: , p=0.037	No
Onishi, 202193	Full group	HbA1c at post- period	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Beta Coefficient (Average days between clinic visits/telemedi cine): 0.00351, p≤0.001	NR	Sex, Type of Diabetes, Pre- HgbA1c, Pre-BMI, Change in BMI, Age
Onishi, 202193	Full group	HbA1c at post- period	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Beta Coefficient (Average days between clinic visits/telemedi cine): - 0.09261, p=0.004	NR	Visiting the clinic, Sex, Type of Diabetes, Pre- HgbA1c, Pre-BMI, Change in BMI, Age
Parise, 2021 ⁹⁵	Arm 2	Glucose management indicator	Included in telemedicine study	3 months	Baseline: 166 Followup: 166	Baseline: Mean: 7.2 (SD 0.7) Followup: Mean: 7.1 (SD 0.6)	NR	Ref: NR p=0.23	No

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Parise, 2021 ⁹⁵	Arm 2	Mean daily glucose	Included in telemedicine study	3 months	Baseline: 166 Followup: 166	Baseline: Mean: 163 (SD 29) Followup: Mean: 159 (SD 25)	NR	Ref: NR p=0.25	No
Parise, 2021 ⁹⁵	Arm 2	Time above range	Included in telemedicine study	3 months	Baseline: 166 Followup: 166	Baseline: Mean: 34 (SD 18) Followup: Mean: 32 (SD 18)	NR	Ref: NR p=0.08	No
Parise, 2021 ⁹⁵	Arm 2	Time below range	Included in telemedicine study	3 months	Baseline: 166 Followup: 166	Baseline: Mean: 3.5 (SD 4.1) Followup: Mean: 3.4 (SD 3.8)	NR	Ref: NR p=0.58	No
Parise, 202195	Arm 2	Time in range	Included in telemedicine study	3 months	Baseline: 166 Followup: 166	Baseline: Mean: 62 (SD 18) Followup: Mean: 65 (SD 16)	NR	Ref: NR p=0.02	No
Pinsker, 2021 ⁹⁷	NR	Diabetes	Diabetes	NR	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 1	NR	Diabetic center	Arm 1
Pinsker, 202197	NR	Diabetes	Diabetes	NR	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 1	NR	Diabetic center	Arm 2

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Pinsker, 2021 ⁹⁷	Arm 1	Percentage Time in range glucose 70- 180 mg/dL	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 14284	Baseline: NR Followup: Median: 67 (IQR 54-78)	NR	Ref	Training method, age, previous therapy, trainer type, baseline A1c
Pinsker, 2021 ⁹⁷	Arm 2	Percentage Time in range glucose 70- 180 mg/dL	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 8984	Baseline: NR Followup: Median: 72 (IQR 60-81)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 NR, p≤0.01	Training method, age, previous therapy, trainer type, baseline A1c
Pinsker, 2021 ⁹⁷	Arm 1	Percentage Time with glucose <70 mg/dL	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 14284	Baseline: NR Followup: Median: 0.9 (IQR 0.3-1.9)	NR	Ref	Training method, age, previous therapy, trainer type, baseline A1c
Pinsker, 202197	Arm 2	Percentage Time with glucose <70 mg/dL	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 8984	Baseline: NR Followup: Median: 0.9 (IQR 0.4-1.9)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 NR, p=0.13	Training method, age, previous therapy, trainer type, baseline A1c

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Rachmeil, 2020 ⁹⁹	Full group	% Basal insulin per day	"full data group"	4 weeks	Baseline: 121 Followup: 121	Baseline: Mean: 44 (IQR 38, 54) Followup: Mean: 45 (IQR 39, 51.5)	Mean change from baseline: NR, p=0.55	NR	No
Rachmeil, 2020 ⁹⁹	Full group	% Time < 54 mg/dL	"full data group"	4 weeks	Baseline: 121 Followup: 121	Baseline: Mean: 0.05 (IQR 0.0, 2.0) Followup: Mean: 0.5 (IQR 0.0, 1.1)	Mean change from baseline: NR, p=0.87	NR	No
Rachmeil, 2020 ⁹⁹	Full group	% Time > 250 mg/dL	"full data group"	4 weeks	Baseline: 121 Followup: 121	Baseline: Mean: 8.8 (IQR 3.6, 19.0) Followup: Mean: 8 (IQR 2.0, 12.6)	Mean change from baseline: NR, p=0.002	NR	No
Rachmeil, 2020 ⁹⁹	Full group	% Time CGM Active	"full data group"	4 weeks	Baseline: 121 Followup: 121	Baseline: Mean: 92.8 (IQR 85.0, 97.2) Followup: Mean: 92.4 (IQR 85.8, 97.1)	Mean change from baseline: NR, p=0.001	NR	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	N	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Rachmeil, 2020 ⁹⁹	Full group	% Time in 180–250 mg/dL	"full data group"	4 weeks	Baseline: 121 Followup: 121	Baseline: Mean: 32 (IQR 20.0, 42.1) Followup: Mean: 28.6 (IQR 19.0, 37.3)	Mean change from baseline: NR, p≤0.001	NR	No
Rachmeil, 2020 ⁹⁹	Full group	% Time in 54–70 mg/dL	"full data group"	4 weeks	Baseline: 121 Followup: 121	Baseline: Mean: 2.6 (IQR 1.0, 5.3) Followup: Mean: 2.3 (IQR 1.0, 5.0)	Mean change from baseline: NR, p=0.005	NR	No
Rachmeil, 2020 ⁹⁹	Full group	% Time-in-range, (70–180 mg/dl)	"full data group"	4 weeks	Baseline: 121 Followup: 121	Baseline: Mean: 59 (SD 17.2) Followup: Mean: 62.9 (SD 16)	Mean change from baseline: NR, p=0.05	NR	No
Rachmeil, 2020 ⁹⁹	Full group	Coefficient of variation, %	"full data group"	4 weeks	Baseline: 121 Followup: 121	Baseline: Coefficien t of Variation: 37.1 (SD 7.1) Followup: Coefficien t of Variation: 35.6 (SD 7.2)	% change from baseline: NR, p=0.16	NR	No

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Rachmeil, 2020 ⁹⁹	Full group	Estimated HbA1c (GMI), %	"full data group"	4 weeks	Baseline: 121 Followup: 121	Baseline: Mean: 7.35 (SD 0.85) Followup: Mean: 7.2 (SD 0.81)	Mean change from baseline: NR, p≤0.001	NR	No
Rachmeil, 2020 ⁹⁹	Full group	Estimated HbA1c (GMI), mmol/mol	"full data group"	4 weeks	Baseline: 121 Followup: 121	Baseline: Mean: 56.8 (SD 9.3) Followup: Mean: 55.2 (SD 8.9)	NR	NR	No
Rachmeil, 2020 ⁹⁹	Full group	Mean daily carbohydrate (gram)	"full data group"	4 weeks	Baseline: 121 Followup: 121	Baseline: Mean: 135 (IQR 100, 175) Followup: Mean: 140 (IQR 108, 178)	Mean change from baseline: NR, p=0.48	NR	No
Rachmeil, 2020 ⁹⁹	Full group	Mean glucose, mg/dL	"full data group"	4 weeks	Baseline: 121 Followup: 121	Baseline: Mean: 164 (SD 29) Followup: Mean: 160 (SD 26)	Mean change from baseline: NR, p=0.001	NR	No
Rachmeil, 2020 ⁹⁹	Full group	Mean TDD (unit/kg/d)	"full data group"	4 weeks	Baseline: 121 Followup: 121	Baseline: Mean: 0.8 (IQR 0.6, 1.9) Followup: Mean: 0.8 (IQR 0.6, 1.0)	Mean change from baseline: NR, p=0.19	NR	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	N	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Rachmeil, 2020 ⁹⁹	Full group	Physical activity (hours/week)	"full data group"	4 weeks	Baseline: 121 Followup: 121	Baseline: Mean: 2 (IQR 0, 4) Followup: Mean: 3 (IQR 1, 5)	Mean change from baseline: p≤0.001	NR	No
Rachmeil, 2020 ⁹⁹	Full group	School zooming (% of patients)	"full data group"	4 weeks	Baseline: 74 Followup: 74	Baseline: Percent of Patients: 75.7 (NR) Followup: Percent of Patients: 86.8 (NR)	% change from baseline: p=0.008	NR	No
Rachmeil, 2020 ⁹⁹	Full group	Sleep pattern changes (% of patients)	"full data group"	4 weeks	Baseline: 116 Followup: 116	Baseline: Percent of parents: 31.9 (NR) Followup: Percent of parents: 29.2 (NR)	% change from baseline: p=0.47	NR	No
Rachmeil, 2020 ⁹⁹	Full group	Time-in-Range	"full data group"	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Beta Coefficient (% Time < 54 mg/dL): -2.65 (95% Cl: - 6.114 to 0.819), p=0.133	NR	% Time at Glucose <54, 70- 180, 180- 250; Total Daily Insulin Dose; Single Household parent

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Rachmeil, 2020 ⁹⁹	Full group	Time-in-Range	"full data group"	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Beta Coefficient (% Time in 70- 180 mg/dL): - 0.506 (95% Cl: -0.99 to - 0.023), p=0.04	NR	% Time at Glucose <54, 70- 180, 180- 250; Total Daily Insulin Dose; Single Household parent
Rachmeil, 2020 ⁹⁹	Full group	Time-in-Range	"full data group"	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Beta Coefficient (% Time in 180– 250 mg/dL): - 0.012 (95% Cl: -0.595 to 0.571), p=0.967	NR	% Time at Glucose <54, 70- 180, 180- 250; Total Daily Insulin Dose; Single Household parent
Rachmeil, 2020 ⁹⁹	Full group	Time-in-Range	"full data group"	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Beta Coefficient (Mean TDD (unit/kg/d)): 15.908 (95% Cl: -2.225 to 34.072), p=0.085	NR	% Time at Glucose <54, 70- 180, 180- 250; Total Daily Insulin Dose; Single Household parent

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Rachmeil, 2020 ⁹⁹	Full group	Time-in-Range	"full data group"	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Beta Coefficient (Single Household Parent): 13.189 (95% Cl: 0.621 to 27.016), p=0.04	NR	% Time at Glucose <54, 70- 180, 180- 250; Total Daily Insulin Dose; Single Household parent
Ragheb, 2021 ¹⁰⁰	Arm 1	Median standard of care score	In-person	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 171	Baseline: NR Followup: Median: 9 (IQR 9, 9)	NR	Ref	No
Ragheb, 2021 ¹⁰⁰	Arm 2	Median standard of care score	Telehealth	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 51	Baseline: NR Followup: Median: 9 (IQR 8, 9)	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: , p=0.0013	No
Ragheb, 2021 ¹⁰⁰	Arm 1	Meets 8/9 standard of care items	In-person	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	NR	Ref	No
Ragheb, 2021 ¹⁰⁰	Arm 2	Meets 8/9 standard of care items	Telehealth	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: , p=0.42	No
Ragheb, 2021 ¹⁰⁰	Arm 1	Meets all standard of care items	In-person	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	NR	Ref	No
Ragheb, 2021 ¹⁰⁰	Arm 2	Meets all standard of care items	Telehealth	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	NR	Ref: Arm 1 p-value only: , p=0.0003	No

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Reider-Demer, 2022 ¹⁰²	Arm 1	Roundtrip travel distance (miles)	Pre-COVID19 patients	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 485	Baseline: NR Followup: Median: 49 (IQR Q1: 22, Q3: 112)	NR	Ref	No
Reider-Demer, 2022 ¹⁰²	Arm 2	Roundtrip travel distance (miles)	COVID19 patients	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 6706	Baseline: NR Followup: Median: 33 (IQR Q1: 15, Q3: 64)	NR	Ref: Assuming Arm1 p-value only: , p=<0.0001	No
Reider-Demer, 2022 ¹⁰²	Arm 1	Roundtrip travel time (min)	Pre-COVID19 patients	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 485	Baseline: NR Followup: Median: 92 (IQR Q1: 59, Q3: 159)	NR	Ref	No
Reider-Demer, 2022 ¹⁰²	Arm 2	Roundtrip travel time (min)	COVID19 patients	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 6706	Baseline: NR Followup: Median: 73 (IQR Q1: 51, Q3: 107)	NR	Ref: Assuming Arm1 p-value only: , p=<0.0001	No
Reider-Demer, 2022 ¹⁰²	Arm 1	Total savings per video visit	Pre-COVID19 patients	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 485	Baseline: NR Followup: Median: 66 (IQR \$49, Q3: \$108)	NR	Ref	No
Reider-Demer, 2022 ¹⁰²	Arm 2	Total savings per video visit	COVID19 patients	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 6706	Baseline: NR Followup: Median: 53 (IQR Q1: \$38, Q3: \$81)	NR	Ref: Assuming Arm1 p-value only: , p=<0.0001	No

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Rizzoli, 2021 ¹⁰⁵	Full group	Disability (MIDAS score)	Full group	6 months	Baseline: 14 Followup: 14	Baseline: Mean: 67.7 (SD 52.6) Followup: Mean: 35.1 (SD 36.5)	NR	NR	No
Rizzoli, 2021 ¹⁰⁵	Full group	Medication intake	Full group	6 months	Baseline: 14 Followup: 14	Baseline: Mean: 19.4 (SD 5.8) Followup: Mean: 7.5 (SD 5)	NR	NR	No
Rizzoli, 2021 ¹⁰⁵	Full group	Migraine days	Full group	6 months	Baseline: 14 Followup: 14	Baseline: Mean: 20.6 (SD 6.04) Followup: Mean: 8.7 (SD 4.5)	NR	NR	No
Schafer, 2022 ¹¹¹	Arm 1	Middle ear effusion	In-person	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	NR	Ref	No
Schafer, 2022 ¹¹¹	Arm 2	Middle ear effusion	Telemedicine (not specified)	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	NR	Ref: Assuming Arm1 p-value only: , p=<0.0001	No
Schafer, 2022 ¹¹¹	Arm 1	Underwent surgery	In-person	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	NR	Ref	No
Schafer, 2022 ¹¹¹	Arm 2	Underwent surgery	Telemedicine (not specified)	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	NR	NR	Ref: Assuming Arm1 p-value only: , p=0.106	No

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Seghezzo, 2021 ¹¹³	Arm 1	PACC Score	full group	236.5 days	Baseline: 43 Followup: 28	Baseline: Median: 0.13 (IQR 1.08) Followup: Median: 0.25 (IQR 1.13)	Pearson Correlation Coefficient: 0.82 (95% CI: 0.66 to 0.98), p=NR	NR	Age, Internet Speed, Time Between Assessme nts, Education al qualificatio n, Video Assessor, Person Assessor
Seghezzo, 2021 ¹¹³	Arm 1	PACC Score	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Mean change from baseline: -0.013, p=NR	NR	Age, Internet Speed, Time Between Assessme nts, Education al qualificatio n, Video Assessor, Person Assessor
Seghezzo, 2021 ¹¹³	Arm 1	PACC Score	full group	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Median change from baseline: - 0.042, p=NR	NR	Age, Internet Speed, Time Between Assessme nts, Education al qualificatio n, Video Assessor, Person Assessor

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	N	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Seghezzo, 2021 ¹¹³	Arm 1	PACC Score	Age	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Beta Coefficient (Age): 0.008 (95% Cl: - 0.014 to 0.03), p=NR	NR	Age, Internet Speed, Time Between Assessme nts, Education al qualificatio n, Video Assessor, Person Assessor
Seghezzo, 2021 ¹¹³	Arm 1	PACC Score	Education	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Beta Coefficient (Primary School): 0.42 (95% Cl: - 0.14 to 0.98), p=NR	NR	Age, Internet Speed, Time Between Assessme nts, Education al qualificatio n, Video Assessor, Person Assessor
Seghezzo, 2021 ¹¹³	Arm 1	PACC Score	Education	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Beta Coefficient (A level): -0.009 (95% Cl: -0.5 to 0.48), p=NR	NR	Age, Internet Speed, Time Between Assessme nts, Education al qualificatio n, Video Assessor, Person Assessor

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Seghezzo, 2021 ¹¹³	Arm 1	PACC Score	Education	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Beta Coefficient (Undergradua te): 0.16 (95% CI: -0.27 to 0.58), p=NR	NR	Age, Internet Speed, Time Between Assessme nts, Education al qualificatio n, Video Assessor, Person Assessor
Seghezzo, 2021 ¹¹³	Arm 1	PACC Score	Education	NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Baseline: NR Followup: NR	Beta Coefficient (Post- Graduate): - 0.68 (95% CI: -1.62 to 0.27), p=NR	NR	Age, Internet Speed, Time Between Assessme nts, Education al qualificatio n, Video Assessor, Person Assessor
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: ^BNT	face-to-face	NR	Baseline: 4 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: - 1.18 (NR) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.89	NR	No

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Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: ^BNT	onsite Tele-NP	NR	Baseline: 6 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: - 1.76 (NR) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.89	NR	No
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: ^BNT	home Tele-NP	NR	Baseline: 18 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: - 1.9 (NR) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.89	NR	No
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: ^BNT	full group	NR	Baseline: 28 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: - 1.77 (SD 1.65) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.89	NR	No

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Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: ^DSB	face-to-face	NR	Baseline: 0 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: NR Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.71	NR	No
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: ^DSB	onsite Tele-NP	NR	Baseline: 6 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: 0.06 (NR) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.71	NR	No
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: ^DSB	home Tele-NP	NR	Baseline: 18 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: - 0.15 (NR) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.71	NR	No

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Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: ^DSB	full group	NR	Baseline: 24 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: - 0.1 (SD 0.97) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.71	NR	No
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: ^IED: yerta	onsite Tele-NP	NR	Baseline: 5 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: - 0.27 (NR) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.67	NR	No
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: ^IED: yerta	face-to-face	NR	Baseline: 5 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: - 0.4 (NR) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.67	NR	No

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Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: ^IED: yerta	home Tele-NP	NR	Baseline: 18 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: - 0.04 (NR) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.67	NR	No
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: ^IED: yerta	full group	NR	Baseline: 28 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: - 0.14 (SD 0.94) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.67	NR	No
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: ^Oral TMT B	face-to-face	NR	Baseline: 0 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: NR Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.11	NR	No

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Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: ^Oral TMT B	onsite Tele-NP	NR	Baseline: 6 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: - 1.45 (NR) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.11	NR	No
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: ^Oral TMT B	home Tele-NP	NR	Baseline: 18 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: - 0.75 (NR) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.11	NR	No
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: ^Oral TMT B	full group	NR	Baseline: 24 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: - 0.93 (SD 0.91) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.11	NR	No

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Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: ^SWM be468	onsite Tele-NP	NR	Baseline: 5 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: 0.04 (NR) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.68	NR	No
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: ^SWM be468	face-to-face	NR	Baseline: 5 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: 0.02 (NR) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.68	NR	No
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: ^SWM be468	home Tele-NP	NR	Baseline: 18 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: - 0.35 (NR) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.68	NR	No

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Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: ^SWM be468	full group	NR	Baseline: 28 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: - 0.21 (SD 1.45) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.68	NR	No
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: ^SWM Strategy	onsite Tele-NP	NR	Baseline: 5 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: 0.02 (NR) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.78	NR	No
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: ^SWM Strategy	face-to-face	NR	Baseline: 5 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: - 0.41 (NR) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.78	NR	No

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Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: ^SWM Strategy	home Tele-NP	NR	Baseline: 18 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: - 0.15 (NR) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.78	NR	No
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: ^SWM Strategy	full group	NR	Baseline: 28 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: - 0.16 (SD 1.12) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.78	NR	No
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: Animals	face-to-face	NR	Baseline: 5 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: - 0.52 (NR) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.65	NR	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	N	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: Animals	onsite Tele-NP	NR	Baseline: 6 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: - 0.56 (NR) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.65	NR	No
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: Animals	home Tele-NP	NR	Baseline: 18 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: - 0.26 (NR) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.65	NR	No
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: Animals	full group	NR	Baseline: 29 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: - 0.37 (SD 1.4) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.65	NR	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	N	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: COWAT	face-to-face	NR	Baseline: 0 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: NR Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.07	NR	No
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: COWAT	onsite Tele-NP	NR	Baseline: 6 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: - 1.86 (NR) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.07	NR	No
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: COWAT	home Tele-NP	NR	Baseline: 18 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: - 1.11 (NR) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.07	NR	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	N	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: COWAT	full group	NR	Baseline: 24 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: - 1.3 (SD 0.87) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.07	NR	No
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: FSIQ-2	face-to-face	NR	Baseline: 5 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: - 0.16 (NR) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.36	NR	No
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: FSIQ-2	onsite Tele-NP	NR	Baseline: 6 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: - 0.57 (NR) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.36	NR	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	N	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: FSIQ-2	home Tele-NP	NR	Baseline: 17 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: 0.06 (NR) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.36	NR	No
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: FSIQ-2	full group	NR	Baseline: 28 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: - 0.11 (SD 0.82) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.36	NR	No
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: Oral SDMT	face-to-face	NR	Baseline: 0 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: NR Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.16	NR	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	Ν	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: Oral SDMT	onsite Tele-NP	NR	Baseline: 1 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: - 2.73 (NR) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.16	NR	No
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: Oral SDMT	home Tele-NP	NR	Baseline: 8 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: - 0.93 (NR) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.16	NR	No
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: Oral SDMT	full group	NR	Baseline: 9 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: - 1.13 (SD 1.18) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.16	NR	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	N	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: OTS: 1st Try	onsite Tele-NP	NR	Baseline: 5 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: 0.27 (NR) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.53	NR	No
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: OTS: 1st Try	face-to-face	NR	Baseline: 5 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: - 0.04 (NR) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.53	NR	No
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: OTS: 1st Try	home Tele-NP	NR	Baseline: 18 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: 0.31 (NR) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.53	NR	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	N	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: OTS: 1st Try	full group	NR	Baseline: 28 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: 0.24 (SD 0.99) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.53	NR	No
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: PAL: fams28	onsite Tele-NP	NR	Baseline: 5 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: - 0.72 (NR) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.97	NR	No
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: PAL: fams28	face-to-face	NR	Baseline: 5 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: 0.01 (NR) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.97	NR	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	N	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: PAL: fams28	home Tele-NP	NR	Baseline: 18 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: - 0.18 (NR) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.97	NR	No
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: PAL: fams28	full group	NR	Baseline: 28 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: - 0.24 (SD 1.24) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.97	NR	No
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: PAL: tea28	onsite Tele-NP	NR	Baseline: 5 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: - 0.54 (NR) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.95	NR	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	N	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: PAL: tea28	face-to-face	NR	Baseline: 5 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: - 0.05 (NR) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.95	NR	No
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: PAL: tea28	home Tele-NP	NR	Baseline: 18 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: - 0.06 (NR) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.95	NR	No
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: PAL: tea28	full group	NR	Baseline: 28 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: - 0.12 (SD 1.17) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.95	NR	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	Ν	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: RAVLT: delay	onsite Tele-NP	NR	Baseline: 6 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: - 1.69 (NR) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.23	NR	No
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: RAVLT: delay	face-to-face	NR	Baseline: 6 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: - 1.66 (NR) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.23	NR	No
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: RAVLT: delay	home Tele-NP	NR	Baseline: 18 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: - 1.02 (NR) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.23	NR	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	N	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: RAVLT: delay	full group	NR	Baseline: 29 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: - 1.27 (SD 1.28) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.23	NR	No
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: RAVLT: loss	onsite Tele-NP	NR	Baseline: 2 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: - 1.29 (NR) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.66	NR	No
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: RAVLT: loss	face-to-face	NR	Baseline: 2 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: - 1.18 (NR) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.66	NR	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	Ν	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: RAVLT: loss	home Tele-NP	NR	Baseline: 18 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: - 0.97 (NR) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.66	NR	No
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: RAVLT: loss	full group	NR	Baseline: 29 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: - 1.07 (SD 1.27) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.66	NR	No
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: RAVLT: sum(A1-A3)	face-to-face	NR	Baseline: 5 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: - 1.1 (NR) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.42	NR	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	Ν	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: RAVLT: sum(A1-A3)	onsite Tele-NP	NR	Baseline: 6 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: - 1.22 (NR) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.42	NR	No
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: RAVLT: sum(A1-A3)	home Tele-NP	NR	Baseline: 18 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: - 0.77 (NR) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.42	NR	No
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: RAVLT: sum(A1-A3)	full group	NR	Baseline: 29 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: - 0.92 (SD 1.05) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.42	NR	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	N	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: RVP: a'	onsite Tele-NP	NR	Baseline: 5 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: - 0.97 (NR) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.47	NR	No
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: RVP: a'	face-to-face	NR	Baseline: 5 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: - 0.16 (NR) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.47	NR	No
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: RVP: a'	home Tele-NP	NR	Baseline: 18 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: - 0.08 (NR) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.47	NR	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	N	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: RVP: a'	full group	NR	Baseline: 28 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: - 0.25 (SD 0.89) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.47	NR	No
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: ToPF	face-to-face	NR	Baseline: 5 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: 0.11 (NR) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.07	NR	No
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: ToPF	onsite Tele-NP	NR	Baseline: 6 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: - 0.19 (NR) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.07	NR	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	N	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: ToPF	home Tele-NP	NR	Baseline: 18 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: 0.59 (NR) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.07	NR	No
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Full group	Neuropsychological Test: ToPF	full group	NR	Baseline: 29 Followup: NR	Baseline: Mean: 0.34 (SD 0.75) Followup: NR	Comparing means (ANOVA, F Test or H- Value if non- parametric between total, home Tele- NP, onsite Tele-NP, and face-to-face): NR, p=0.07	NR	No
Wu, 2021 ¹²⁷	Arm 1	EQ-5D score	Full group	Before prehabilitation program NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 66	Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.795 (IQR 0.691- 0.857)	NR	Ref	No
Wu, 2021 ¹²⁷	Arm 2	EQ-5D score	Full group	Post prehabilitation program NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 66	Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 0.796 (IQR 0.725- 1.00)	NR	Ref: Arm1 p=0.092	No

Author, Year	Arm	Outcome Definition	Subgroup	Followup Timepoint	N	Outcome	Within Arm Comparison	Between Arm Comparison	Adjusted
Wu, 2021 ¹²⁷	Arm 1	EQ-VAS score	Full group	Before prehabilitation program NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 66	Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 75 (IQR 65- 86)	NR	Ref	No
Wu, 2021 ¹²⁷	Arm 2	EQ-VAS score	Full group	Post prehabilitation program NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 66	Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 80 (IQR 70- 90)	NR	Ref: Arm1 p=0.001	No
Wu, 2021 ¹²⁷	Arm 1	FACIT Fatigue score	Full group	Before prehabilitation program NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 66	Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 44 (IQR 38- 48)	NR	Ref	No
Wu, 2021 ¹²⁷	Arm 2	FACIT Fatigue score	Full group	Post prehabilitation program NR	Baseline: NR Followup: 66	Baseline: NR Followup: Mean: 47 (IQR 43- 50)	NR	Ref: Arm1 p=0	No

6MWT=6 minute walk test; ACT=arm curl test; ASA= American Society of Anesthesiologists; BNP= Brain natriuretic peptide; BNT= Boston Naming Test; CDR SoB= Clinical Dementia Rating sum of boxes; CDR= Clinical Dementia Rating; CDR-FTD= Clinical Dementia Rating Scale-Frontotemporal Dementia; CI=confidence interval; COWAT= Controlled Oral Word Association Test; CSC ED= comprehensive stroke center emergency department; DSB=digit span test; ED=emergency department; EQ-VAS=Euroqol visual analogue scale; ESS= Epworth Sleepiness Scale; FACIT= Fatigue Subscale; FIQ-R=Revised Fibromyalgia Impact Questionnaire; FISQ-2=Full scale IQ test; FTW=fit to work; HADS= Hospital Anxiety and Depression Scale; IED= Intra-Extra Dimensional Set Shift; IQR=interquartile range; KTEA-3=Kaufman Test of Educational Achievement Third Edition; LKW=last known well; N=sample size; NR=not reported; NS=non-significant; OTS= One Touch; p=p-value; PACC= Preclinical Alzheimer Cognitive Composite; PAL= Paired Associate Learning;; PCS= Pain Catastrophizing Scale; PPE=personal protective equipment; RAVLT= Rey Auditory Verbal Learning Test; Ref=reference; RTW=return to work; RVP= Rapid Visual Information Processing; SD=standard deviation; SDMT= Symbol Digit Modalities Test; Stockings of Cambridge; STST= sit-to-stand test; SWM=spatial working memory; TDD= total daily dose; TIA= transient ischemic attack; TMT= Trail Making Test; ToPF= Test of Premorbid Functioning; VAS=visual analogue scale; WISC-V=Wechsler Intelligence Scale for Children® Fifth Edition

Table D.9.1. Risk of bias assessment for randomized controlled trials investigating benefits and harms of telehealth during COVID-19 (Key Question 2)

Author, Year	Domain 1: Randomization Process	Domain 2: Deviations Intended Interventions (Effect of Assignment to Intervention)	Domain 2: Deviations Intended Interventions (Effect of Adhering to Intervention)	Domain 3: Missing Outcome Data	Domain 4: Measurement of the Outcome	Domain 5: Selection of the Reported Result	Overall Risk of Bias
Albornoz-Cabello, 2021 ¹⁷	Some concerns	Low risk	NA	Low risk	High risk	Low risk	High risk
Helmes, 2022 ⁵⁶	Some concerns	Low risk	NA	Some concerns	Low risk	Low risk	Some concerns
Hernando-Garijo, 202157	Low risk	Low risk	NA	Low risk	Low risk	Low risk	Low risk
Malliaras, 2020 ⁸¹	Low risk	Some concerns	Low risk	Low risk	Low risk	Low risk	Low risk

NA=not appropriate

Table D.9.2. Risk of bias assessment for non-randomized trials investigating benefits and harms of telehealth during COVID-19 (Key Question 2)

Author, Year	Domain 1: Confounding	Domain 2: Patient Selection	Domain 3: Classifying Interventions	Domain 4: Deviations From Intended Interventions	Domain 5: Missing Data	Domain 6: Measurement of Outcomes	Domain 7: Selection of Reported Results	Overall Risk of Bias
Aazh, 2021 ¹²	Low	Moderate	Low	No information	Low	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate
Afonso Noguueria, 2021 ¹³	Critical	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Critical
Aiken, 2021 ¹⁴	Moderate	Moderate	Low	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	Moderate
Akama-Garren, 2021 ¹⁵	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Moderate
Akerly, 2021 ¹⁶	Serious	Critical	Low	Low	Serious	Serious	Low	Critical
Alvarez, 202018	Serious	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Serious
Arias, 2022 ¹⁹	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Moderate
Barequet, 2021 ²⁰	Serious	No information	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Serious
Baughman, 2021 ²¹	Low	Low	Low	Low	Moderate	Low	Low	Moderate
Bogin, 2022 ²²	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Moderate
Boles, 2022 ²³ 10805	Serious	Serious	Low	Low	Serious	Low	Low	Serious
Borgen, 2021 ²⁴	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Moderate
Boscari, 2021 ²⁵	Moderate	Moderate	Low	No information	Moderate	Low	Low	Moderate
Boshara, 2022 ²⁶	Low	No information	Low	Low	Low	No information	Low	Moderate
Cancer, 2021 ²⁷	Serious	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Serious
Candel, 2020 ²⁸	Serious	Low	Low	Low	Moderate	Serious	Low	Serious
Capozzo, 2021 ²⁹	Moderate	Critical	Low	Low	Low	Serious	Low	Critical
Carlberg, 2020 ³⁰	Serious	Low	Low	Low	Moderate	Low	Low	Serious
Casariego-Vales, 2021 ³¹	Serious	Serious	Low	Serious	Moderate	Moderate	Low	Serious
Chang, 2021 ³²	Serious	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Serious
Chesnel, 2021 ³³	Serious	Low	Low	Low	Low	Serious	Low	Serious
Cobo-Calbo, 2022 ³⁴	Critical	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Serious

Author, Year	Domain 1: Confounding	Domain 2: Patient Selection	Domain 3: Classifying Interventions	Domain 4: Deviations From Intended Interventions	Domain 5: Missing Data	Domain 6: Measurement of Outcomes	Domain 7: Selection of Reported Results	Overall Risk of Bias
Compton, 202035	Serious	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Serious
Corden, 2020 ³⁶	Serious	Low	Low	Low	Serious	Low	Low	Serious
Crawford, 202137	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	Moderate	Low	Low	Moderate
Cunningham, 2022 ³⁸	Critical	Low	Low	Moderate	No information	Low	Low	Serious
Cvietusa, 2022 ³⁹	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low
D'Anna, 2021 ⁴⁰	Critical	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Serious
Darr, 2020 ⁴¹	Serious	Serious	Low	Low	Serious	Serious	Low	Serious
Das, 2021 ⁴²	Moderate	Moderate	Low	Serious	Low	Low	Moderate	Moderate
De Marchi, 202143	Serious	Low	Low	Low	Moderate	Serious	Low	Serious
Duryea, 2021 ⁴⁴	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Serious
Etherton, 2021 ⁴⁵	Low	Moderate	Low	No information	Moderate	Low	Low	Moderate
Ferry, 2021 ⁴⁶	Serious	Low	Low	Low	No information	Low	Low	Serious
Fortier, 2022 ⁴⁷	Serious	Low	Low	Low	Low	Serious	Low	Serious
Francis, 202148	Serious	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Serious
Fredwall, 202149	Serious	Low	Low	Low	Moderate	Low	Low	Serious
Gaetani, 202150	Moderate	Moderate	Low	Moderate	Low	Moderate	Low	Moderate
Garmendia, 2021 ⁵¹	Moderate	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Moderate
Grandizio, 2022 ⁵²	Critical	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Serious
Gross, 2021 ⁵³	Serious	Serious	Low	Low	Serious	Critical	Low	Critical
Hameed, 202154	Serious	Low	Serious	Serious	Moderate	Low	Moderate	Serious
Hamner, 202155	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Moderate	Low	Moderate
Hatef, 2022 ⁴	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low
Hughes, 202158	Serious	Serious	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Serious
Hutchings, 2020 ⁵⁹	Low	Serious	Low	No information	Low	Low	Low	Moderate
Irarrazaval, 202160	Critical	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Serious
Jaenisch, 2020 ⁶¹	Low	Low	Low	Moderate	Low	Moderate	Low	Moderate

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Jansen, 2020 ⁶²	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Moderate	Low	Moderate
Kablinger, 202263	Low	No information	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Moderate
Kazi, 2021 ⁶⁴	Serious	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Serious
Kerestes, 202165	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Moderate
Khosla, 2022 ⁶⁶	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Moderate
Kim, 202167	Serious	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Serious
Klain, 202168	Serious	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Serious
Kolb, 2021 ⁶⁹	Serious	Low	Serious	Low	Low	Low	Low	Serious
Korycinski, 2022 ⁷⁰	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	No information	Low	Low	Moderate
Kronenberger, 2021 ⁷¹	Serious	Low	Low	Low	Low	Serious	Low	Serious
Levinson, 202172	Serious	Serious	Low	Serious	Moderate	Low	Low	Serious
Li, 2021 ⁷³	Serious	Serious	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	Low	Serious
Li, 2021 ⁷⁴	Serious	Serious	Moderate	Low	Low	Moderate	Low	Serious
Lightsey, 202175	Serious	Low	Serious	Low	Low	Low	Low	Serious
Lindhagen, 202276	Critical	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Serious
Liu, 202177	Serious	Moderate	Low	Low	Critical	Low	Low	Serious
Loftus, 2022 ⁷⁸	Critical	Serious	Low	Serious	Low	Moderate	Low	Serious
Longobardi, 2021 ⁷⁹	Serious	Low	Low	Low	Moderate	Serious	Low	Serious
Mair, 2021 ⁸⁰	Moderate	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Moderate
Margolius, 2021 ⁸²	Low	Low	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	Low	Moderate
Martin, 202183	Serious	Low	Low	Low	Serious	Low	Low	Serious
Martinez0Garcia, 2020 ⁸⁴	Critical	Serious	Low	Low	Critical	Critical	Low	Serious
McCoy, 2022 ⁸⁵	Critical	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Serious
McLachlan, 2021 ⁸⁶	Serious	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	Moderate	Low	Serious

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McNamara, 2021 ⁸⁷	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Moderate
Mehtani, 2021 ⁸⁸	Serious	Serious	Moderate	No information	Low	Low	Low	Serious
Miller, 202189	Serious	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Serious
Minsky, 202190	Serious	Low	Low	Low	Serious	Low	Low	Serious
Offiah, 202291	Serious	Low	Low	Low	Moderate	Low	Low	Serious
Okeefe, 202192	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Moderate
Onishi, 202193	Moderate	Low	Moderate	Low	Moderate	Low	Moderate	Moderate
Ostberg, 2022 ⁹⁴	Low	Serious	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Serious
Parise, 202195	Serious	Low	Low	Low	Serious	Low	Low	Serious
Phillips, 202196	Moderate	Low	Serious	Low	Low	Moderate	Low	Serious
Pinsker, 202197	Serious	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Moderate	Serious
Postorino, 202098	Serious	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Serious
Rachmeil, 202099	Serious	Low	Low	Low	Serious	Low	Low	Serious
Ragheb, 2021 ¹⁰⁰	Serious	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Serious
Reddy, 2021 ¹⁰¹	Critical	Low	Low	Low	No information	Low	Low	Serious
Reider-Demer, 2022 ¹⁰²	Serious	No information	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Serious
Reynolds-Wright, 2021 ¹⁰³	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Low	No information	Low	Low	Moderate
Ripp, 2022 ¹⁰⁴	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Moderate
Rizzoli, 2021 ¹⁰⁵	Serious	Low	Low	Low	Moderate	Low	Low	Serious
Rohan, 2021 ¹⁰⁶	Serious	Low	Low	Low	No information	Low	Low	Serious
Rowe, 2021 ¹⁰⁷	Moderate	Low	Serious	Low	Low	Low	Low	Serious
Russo, 2021 ¹⁰⁸	Serious	Low	Low	Serious	Moderate	Low	Low	Serious
Rysinka, 2021 ¹⁰⁹	Moderate	Low	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	Low	Moderate
Sawka, 2021 ¹¹⁰	Critical	Low	Serious	Low	Low	Moderate	Low	Critical
Schafer, 2022111	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Moderate

Author, Year	Domain 1: Confounding	Domain 2: Patient Selection	Domain 3: Classifying Interventions	Domain 4: Deviations From Intended Interventions	Domain 5: Missing Data	Domain 6: Measurement of Outcomes	Domain 7: Selection of Reported Results	Overall Risk of Bias
Schweiberger, 2020 ¹¹²	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	Serious	Serious	Low	Serious
Seghezzo, 2021 ¹¹³	Low	Low	Low	Serious	Moderate	Serious	Low	Serious
Sevilis, 2022 ¹¹⁴	Critical	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Serious	Critical
Shabato, 2020 ¹¹⁵	Moderate	Moderate	Low	No information	Moderate	Low	Low	Moderate
Sharma, 2020 ¹¹⁶	Serious	Low	Serious	Low	Low	Low	Moderate	Serious
Sharma, 2020 ¹¹⁷	Serious	Serious	Low	Low	Low	Moderate	Low	Serious
Smith, 2021 ¹¹⁸	Serious	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Serious
Tailby, 2021 ¹¹⁹	Serious	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Serious
Tarn, 2021 ¹²⁰	Serious	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Serious
Taxonera, 2020 ¹²¹	Serious	Low	Low	Low	Moderate	Serious	Low	Serious
Tchang, 2022 ¹²²	Critical	Low	Low	Low	Moderate	Low	Low	Serious
Uppal, 2022 ¹²³	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Moderate
Wabe, 2022 ¹²⁴	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low
Watson, 2021125	Critical	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Serious
Winkleman, 2020 ¹²⁶	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Moderate	Moderate
Wu, 2021 ¹²⁷	Serious	Low	Low	Low	Moderate	Serious	Low	Serious
Ye, 2022 ¹²⁸	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Moderate
Ye, 2022 ¹²⁹	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Moderate
Zayde, 2021 ¹³⁰	Serious	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Serious
Zhang, 2021 ¹³¹	Serious	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Serious
Zhao, 2021 ¹³²	Low	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Moderate
Zhu, 2021 ¹³³	Serious	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Serious
Zimmerman, 2021 ¹³⁴	Serious	Low	Low	Low	Moderate	Serious	Low	Serious

Outcome	Clinical Area	Number of Studies, n Participants	Study Limit- ations	Direct -ness	Precis- ion	Consis- tency	Reporting Bias	Strength of Evidence
ED visit	General medical care - adults	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion
	General medical care - child	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion
	General medical care - all ages	2 cohorts, (N=608878)	Mediu m	Direct	Precise	Inconsistent	Undetected	Moderate
	Specialized – COVID	3 cohorts, (N=5462)	High	Direct	Precise	Inconsistent	Undetected	Low
	Specialized - Pregnancy/prenatal/gynecologi cal	1 cohort, (N=287)	High	Direct	Imprecise	Unknown	Undetected	Low
	Specialized – Other conditions	4 cohorts 1 cross- sectional, (N=11546)	High	Direct	Precise	Consistent	Undetected	Low
	Surgical Care	1 cohort, (N=219)	High	Direct	Imprecise	Unknown	Undetected	Low
	General Behavioral/Mental Health	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion
	Physical rehabilitation/ Functional impairment	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion
Hospitalization	General medical care - adult	2 cohort, (N=17517)	High	Direct	Precise	Consistent	Undetected	Moderate
	General medical care - child	ŇA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion
	General medical care - all ages	2 cohort, (N=608878)	Mediu m	Direct	Precise	Inconsistent	Undetected	Moderate
	Specialized care – COVID	2 cohort, (N=4677)	High	Direct	Precise	Inconsistent	Undetected	Low
	Specialized care - Pregnancy/prenatal/gynecologi cal	2 cohort, (N=14186)	High	Direct	Precise	Consistent	Undetected	Low
	Specialized care – Other conditions	8 cohort 1 cross- sectional, (N=38484)	High	Direct	Precise	Inconsistent	Suspected	Low
	Surgical Care	1 cohort, (N=535)	High	Direct	Precise	Unknown	Undetected	Low
	General Behavioral/Mental Health	ŇA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion
	Physical rehabilitation/ Functional impairment	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion

Outcome	Clinical Area	Number of Studies, n Participants	Study Limit- ations	Direct -ness	Precis- ion	Consis- tency	Reporting Bias	Strength of Evidence
Readmission	General medical care - adult	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion
	General medical care - child	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion
	General medical care - all ages	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion
	Specialized – COVID	2 cohort, (N=992)	High	Direct	Precise	Consistent	Undetected	Low
	Specialized care - Pregnancy/prenatal/gynecologi cal	1 cohort, (N=473)	High	Direct	Precise	Unknown	Undetected	Low
	Specialized care – Other conditions	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion
	Surgical Care	1 cohort, (N=843)	High	Direct	Precise	Consistent	Undetected	Low
	General Behavioral/Mental Health	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion
	Physical rehabilitation/ Functional impairment	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion
Mortality	General medical care - adult	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion
	General medical care - child	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion
	General medical care - all ages	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion
	Specialized – COVID	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion
	Specialized - Pregnancy/prenatal/gynecologi cal	1 cohort 1 cross- sectional, (N=53721)	High	Direct	Precise	Consistent	Undetected	Low
	Specialized – Other conditions	2 cohort 1 cross- sectional, (N=2009)	High	Direct	Precise	Consistent	Undetected	Low
	Surgical Care	2 cohort (N=754)	High	Direct	Precise	Inconsistent	Undetected	Low
	General Behavioral/Mental Health	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion
	Physical rehabilitation/ Functional impairment	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion
Patient-reported	General medical care - adult	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion
	General medical care - child	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion
	General medical care - all ages	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion
	Specialized – COVID	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion
	Specialized - Pregnancy/prenatal/gynecologi cal	1 cohort, (N=1579)	High	Direct	Precise	Unknown	Undetected	Low

Outcome	Clinical Area	Number of Studies, n Participants	Study Limit- ations	Direct -ness	Precis- ion	Consis- tency	Reporting Bias	Strength of Evidence
	Specialized – Other conditions	1 cohort, (N=279)	High	Direct	Precise	Unknown	Undetected	Low
	Surgical Care	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion
	General Behavioral/Mental Health	3 cohorts, (N=515)	High	Direct	Precise	Consistent	Undetected	Low
	Physical rehabilitation/ Functional impairment	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion
Condition-specific	General medical care - adult	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion
	General medical care - child	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion
	General medical care - all ages	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion
	Specialized – COVID	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion
	Specialized care - Pregnancy/prenatal/gynecologi cal	1 cohort 1 cross- sectional, (N=53721)	High	Direct	Imprecise	Inconsistent	Undetected	Low
	Specialized care – Other conditions	7 cohorts, (N=42172)	High	Direct	Precise	Inconsistent	Undetected	Low
	Surgical Care	1 cohort, (N=94)	High	Direct	Imprecise	Unknown	Undetected	Low
	General Behavioral/Mental Health	1 cohort, (N=93)	High	Direct	Imprecise	Unknown	Undetected	Low
	Physical rehabilitation/ Functional impairment	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion
Adverse events	General medical care - adult	1 cohort, (N=492)	High	Direct	Precise	Unknown	Undetected	Low
	General medical care - child	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion
	General medical care - all ages	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion
	Specialized – COVID	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion
	Specialized care - Pregnancy/prenatal/gynecologi cal	3 cohort, (N=65036)	High	Direct	Precise	Consistent	Undetected	Low
	Specialized care – Other conditions	1 cohort, (N=23268)	High	Direct	Precise	Unknown	Undetected	Low
	Surgical Care	1 RCT 3 cohort, (N=65131)	High	Direct	Precise	Consistent	Undetected	Low
	General Behavioral/Mental Health	1 cohort, (N=74)	High	Direct	Imprecise	Unknown	Undetected	Low
	Physical rehabilitation/ Functional impairment	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion
Missed visits	General medical care - adult	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion

Outcome	Clinical Area	Number of Studies, n Participants	Study Limit- ations	Direct -ness	Precis- ion	Consis- tency	Reporting Bias	Strength of Evidence
	General medical care - child	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion
	General medical care - all ages	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion
	Specialized – COVID	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion
	Specialized care - Pregnancy/prenatal/gynecologi cal	1 cohort, (N=1579)	High	Direct	Precise	Unknown	Undetected	Low
	Specialized care – Other conditions	3 cohort 1 cross- sectional, (N=6108)	High	Direct	Precise	Inconsistent	Suspected	Low
	Surgical Care	1 cross- sectional, (N=8197)	High	Direct	Precise	Unknown	Undetected	Low
	General Behavioral/Mental Health	1 cohort, (N=12)	High	Direct	Imprecise	Unknown	Undetected	Low
	Physical rehabilitation/ Functional impairment	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion
Case	General medical care - adult	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion
resolution/Duplicati	General medical care - child	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion
on of services	General medical care - all ages	1 cohort 1 cross- sectional, (N=607717)	Mediu m	Direct	Precise	Inconsistent	Undetected	Moderate
	Specialized care – COVID	1 cohort, (N=285)	High	Direct	Imprecise	Unknown	Undetected	Insufficient
	Specialized care - Pregnancy/prenatal/gynecologi cal	1 cohort, (N=218)	High	Direct	Imprecise	Unknown	Undetected	Insufficient
	Specialized care – Other conditions	7 cohort, (N=8735)	High	Direct	Precise	Inconsistent	Suspected	Low
	Surgical Care	1 cohort, (N=285)	High	Direct	Imprecise	Unknown	Undetected	Low
	General Behavioral/Mental Health	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion
	Physical rehabilitation/ Functional impairment	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion
Change in therapy/medication	General medical care - adult	2 cohort, (N=1360870 8)	Mediu m	Direct	Precise	Consistent	Undetected	Moderate
	General medical care - child	ŃA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion
	General medical care - all ages	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion

Outcome	Clinical Area	Number of Studies, n Participants	Study Limit- ations	Direct -ness	Precis- ion	Consis- tency	Reporting Bias	Strength of Evidence
	Specialized care – COVID	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion
	Specialized care - Pregnancy/prenatal/gynecologi cal	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion
	Specialized care – Other conditions	6 cohort, (N=6899)	High	Direct	Precise	Consistent	Suspected	Low
	Surgical Care	ŇA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion
	General Behavioral/Mental Health	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion
	Physical rehabilitation/ Functional impairment	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion
Therapy/medication adherence	General medical care - adult	2 cohort, (N=906)	High	Direct	Precise	Inconsistent	Undetected	Low
	General medical care - child	ŇA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion
	General medical care - all ages	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion
	Specialized care - Pregnancy/prenatal/gynecologi cal	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion
	Specialized care – Other conditions	4 cohort, (N=144378)	High	Direct	Precise	Consistent	Undetected	Low
	Surgical Care	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion
	General Behavioral/Mental Health	3 cohort, (N=1612)	High	Direct	Precise	Consistent	Undetected	Low
	Physical rehabilitation/ Functional impairment	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion
Jp-to-date labs	General medical care - adult	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion
	General medical care - child	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion
	General medical care - all ages	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion
	Specialized care – COVID	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion
	Specialized care - Pregnancy/prenatal/gynecologi cal	1 cohort, (N=104)	High	Direct	Imprecise	Unknown	Undetected	Low
	Specialized care – Other conditions	5 cohort 1 cross- sectional, (N=5661)	High	Direct	Precise	Inconsistent	Undetected	Low
	Surgical Care	ŇA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion
	General Behavioral/Mental Health	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion
	Physical rehabilitation/ Functional impairment	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	No conclusion

NA=not available

Table D.11. Study characteristics of qualitative studies addressing barriers and facilitators to, and satisfaction and dissatisfaction of telehealth (Key Question 3)

Author, Year	Type of Intervention	Study Design*	Study Period⁺	Country	Single or Multiple Sites	Geographic Location	Patient or Provider/ Healthcare System
Adams, 2021 ¹³⁷	Telephone	Open-ended	Early	Australia	Multiple site	Urban	Patient
	only	survey	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,		•		
Al Izzi, 2020 ¹³⁸	NR	survey	Early	UK	Single site	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Aleboyeh, 2021 ¹³⁹	Video	observational	Compares pre-COVID to post-COVID	Canada	single site	NR	Both
Alkureeishi, 2021 ¹⁴⁰	Video	open-ended questions (qual)	Later	US	Single site	Urban	Provider or Healthcare system
Allison, 2022 ¹⁴¹	telephone plus video	Mixed	Later	United States	Multiple site	Suburban	Patient
Alpert, 2022 ¹⁴²	Telephone plus video	interviews, semi- structured	General COVID era	US	Single site	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Anghelescu, 2021 ¹⁴³	NR	semi-structured interview	Early	Canada	Single site	Urban	Patient
Antoun, 2021 ¹⁴⁴	Telephone only	Semi-structured interview	Later	UK	Single site	Urban	Patient
Aschcroft, 2021 ¹⁴⁵	Telephone only	Survey, open ended questions	General	Canada	Multiple site	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Ashcroft, 2021 ¹⁴⁶	Video	focus groups	General	Canada	NR	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Atay, 2021 ¹⁴⁷	NR	mixed methods	General	france	web-based	NR	patient
Baadjou, 2020 ¹⁴⁸	Video	cross-sectional survey	General	The Netherlands	single site	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Banks, 2021 ¹⁴⁹	NR	Open ended survey	Compares pre-COVID to post-COVID	Ireland	Multiple site	NR	Both
Barba, 2021 ¹⁵⁰	Telephone only	questionnaire	Early	Italy	Multiple site	NR	Patient
Barnett, 2021 ¹⁵¹	video	mixed methods	General	US	web-based	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Barsom, 2021 ¹⁵²	Video	Survey/open- ended questions	Early	The Netherlands	Single site	Urban	Patient
Barsom, 2021 ¹⁵²	Video	Survey/open- ended questions	Early	The Netherlands	Single site	Urban	Provider or Healthcare system
Barth, 2021 ¹⁵³	Video	Semi-structured interview	Early	Switzerland	Single site	Urban	Provider or Healthcare system
Barth, 2021 ¹⁵³	Video	Survey	Early	Switzerland	Single site	Urban	Patient

Author, Year	Type of Intervention	Study Design*	Study Period†	Country	Single or Multiple Sites	Geographic Location	Patient or Provider/ Healthcare System
Barton, 2022 ¹⁵⁴	Both	Semi-structured interviews, thematic analysis	Later	Australia	Multiple site	NR	Patient
Bate, 2021 ¹⁵⁵	NR	prospective questionnaire	Compares pre-COVID to post-COVID	Australia	Single site	Urban	Both
Belcher, 2021 ¹⁵⁶	NR	Retrospective review	General	US	Single site	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Ben-Ayre, 2021 ¹⁵⁷	NR	narrative assessment	General	Israel	single site	NR	both
Bennell, 2021 ¹⁵⁸	Video	mixed methods study-qual	General	Australia	web-based survey	NR	Both
Bethel, 2021 ¹⁵⁹	NR	qualitative	General	US	Single site	NR	Patient
Bhuva, 2020 ¹⁶⁰	Video	Prospective cohort	General	US	single site	NR	Patient
Birkhoff, 2021 ¹⁶¹	Video	survey/interview, mixed	General	US	Single site	Suburban	Patient
Bommersbach, 2021 ¹⁶²	NR	Mixed-methods	Later	US	single site	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Bos, 2021 ¹⁶³	Telephone only	Mixed methods open-ended survey	Early	The Netherlands	Multiple site	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Boyarsky, 2020 ¹⁶⁴	NR	Survey	Early	US	national survey	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Boydell, 2021 ¹⁶⁵	Telephone only	interview	General	UK	Single site	Urban	Patient
Bradfield, 2021 ¹⁶⁶	NR	cross-sectional; interview and survey	Early	Australia	web-based	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Brown-Johnson, 2021 ¹⁶⁷	Video	Semi-structured phone interviews	Early	US	Single site	Urban	Both
Brunton, 2021 ¹⁶⁸	Video	Survey/free text (qual)	Later	US	Multiple site	urban/suburban/ru ral	Provider or Healthcare system
Bryne, 2021 ¹⁶⁹	Telephone only plus video	questionnaire	General	UK	Multiple site	NR	Both
Burton, 2022 ¹⁷⁰	Both	Focus group	Compares pre-COVID to post-COVID	Canada	Single site	Rural	Provider or Healthcare system

Author, Year	Type of Intervention	Study Design*	Study Period†	Country	Single or Multiple Sites	Geographic Location	Patient or Provider/ Healthcare System
Butt, 2022 ¹⁷¹	Both	interviews, semi- structured	General	Australia	NR	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Byrnes, 2020 ¹⁷²	NR	in-depth interview	Early	US	Single site	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Campbell-Yeo, 2021 ¹⁷³	NR	co-design process	Later	Canada	single site	NR	patient
Cartledge, 2021 ¹⁷⁴	Both	On-line chat	Later	Australia	Multiple site	Mixed, primarily urban	Provider or Healthcare system
Cavagna, 2020 ¹⁷⁵	NR	survey	Early	Italy	single site	urban	Patient
Champion, 2021 ¹⁷⁶	NR	survey	Later	US	single site	NR	patient
Chang, 2021 ¹⁷⁷	Both	interviews, semi- structured	General	US	Multiple site	mixed	Provider or Healthcare system
Chen, 2021 ¹⁷⁸	NR	survey	Early	US	Single site	Urban	Both
Clair, 2021 ¹⁷⁹	Video	focus group	Early	US	Single site	Urban	Patient
Cole, 2021 ¹⁸⁰	NR	cross-sectional survey	Later	Canada, US	web-based	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Collins, 2020 ¹⁸¹	NR	qualitative	Later	US	Multiple site	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Cook, 2021 ¹⁸²	NR	qualitative	General	Australia	single site	NR	Both
Cooper, 2021 ¹⁸³	Video	qualitative	General	UK	Multiple site	NR	patient
Cormi, 2021 ¹⁸⁴	NR	Mixed-methods	General	France	Single site	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Costa, 2021 ¹⁸⁵	NR	survey	General	US	web-based	NR	patient
Courtney, 2021 ¹⁸⁶	NR	Interview	General	UK	Single site	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Cronin, 2020 ¹⁸⁷	Video	free-text	Early	UK	Single site	Urban	Both
Cronin, 2020 ¹⁸⁷	Telephone only plus video	Survey	Early	UK	Single site	Urban	Patient
Dahl-Popolizio, 2020 ¹⁸⁸	NR	cross-sectional survey	Early	US	web-based	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Dainty, 2022 ¹⁸⁹	Both	Interview	Later	Canada	Multiple site	NR	Patient
Datta, 2021 ¹⁹⁰	Video	Survey	Early	US	Single site	NR	Patient
Davoodi, 2021 ¹⁹¹	Not stated	interviews, semi- structured	Later	US	Multiple site	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Dennett, 2021 ¹⁹²	Both	interviews, structured (some open questions)	General	Australia	NR	NR	Patient

Author, Year	Type of Intervention	Study Design*	Study Period†	Country	Single or Multiple Sites	Geographic Location	Patient or Provider/ Healthcare System
DePuccio, 2022 ¹⁹³	Not stated	interviews, semi- structured	Later	US	Multiple site	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Di Lalla, 2021 ¹⁹⁴	NR	questionnaire	Early	Canada	Single site	NR	Patient
Di Lorito, 2021 ¹⁹⁵	Video	Semi-structured interview	Later	UK	Single site	Urban	Both
DiGiovanni, 2021 ¹⁹⁶	NR	qualitative	General	US	web-based	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Dinuzzi, 2021 ¹⁹⁷	NR	Survey	Early	Italy	Single site	NR	Patient
Donovan, 2021 ¹⁹⁸	Video	semi-structured interview	Compares pre-COVID to post-COVID	US	Multiple site	one rural center and one urban center	Patient
Dozieres- Puyravel, 2021 ¹⁹⁹	Video	Survey/free-text	Early	France	Single site	Urban	Caregiver
Dramburg, 2021 ²⁰⁰	NR	survey	Later	Germany	web-based	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Due, 2021 ²⁰¹	Video	interview	General	Denmark	NR	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Edge, 2021 ²⁰²	Both	Survey, open ended questions	Later	Australia	Multiple site	NR	Patient
Edge, 2021 ²⁰²	Both	Survey, open ended questions	Later	Australia	Multiple site	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Erben, 2021 ²⁰³	NR	Retrospective cohort	General	US	Multiple site	NR	Patient
Evans, 2021 ²⁰⁴	NR	open-ended questions	Later	Australia	NR	NR	Patient
Feijt, 2020 ²⁰⁵	NR	Survey/open ended Questions	Early	The Netherlands	NR	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
-ieux, 2020 ²⁰⁶	NR	prospective	Early	France	Single site	NR	Both
-ilippi, 2021 ²⁰⁷	Video	open-ended question	Early	US	national network survey	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
-inn, 2021 ²⁰⁸	NR	Mixed-methods	General	US	Single site	Urban	Both
Fisher, 2020 ²⁰⁹	Video	Survey	Early	US	online national survey	NR	Patient
⁻ onseca, 2020 ²¹⁰	Telephone only	Survey	Early	Spain	Single site	Urban	Patient
Franzosa, 2021 ²¹¹	NR	qualitative	Early	US	Multiple site	5 urban; 1 suburuban	Provider or Healthcare system
- Franzosa, 2021 ²¹²	Video	qualitative	General	US	Multiple site	Urban	Provider or Healthcare system
Frayn, 2021 ²¹³	Video	Semi-structured interviews	Later	US	Single site	NR	Patient

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Freiman, 2021 ²¹⁴	NR	Cross sectional survey	Early	US	Single site	NR	Patient
Frey, 2021 ²¹⁵	Not stated	Interviews, structured	Later	New Zealand, Scotland	Multiple site	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Futterman, 2021 ²¹⁶	NR	cross-sectional	Early	US	single site	urban	patient
Gabe-Walters, 2021 ²¹⁷	NR	survey	Later	UK	web-based survey	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Gately, 2021 ²¹⁸	Video	Survey	Later	US	Single site	Urban	Combination
Gava, 2021 ²¹⁹	NR	Survey	Early	NR	a web-based survey sent nationwide by an NGO	NR	Patient
Gefen, 2021 ²²⁰	Video	Focus groups	Early	Israel	Single site	Urban	Provider or Healthcare system
Gefen, 2021 ²²⁰	Video	Focus groups	Early	Israel	Single site	Urban	Patient
Gergerich, 2020 ²²¹	NR	open-ended question	Early	US	online national survey	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Ghazala, 2021 ²²²	Video	Survey	Early	UK	Multiple site	NR	Both
Gilbert, 2021 ²²³	NR	Cross-sectional survey	Later	UK	web-based survey	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Goddard, 2020 ²²⁴	NR	on-line seminar/focus group	General	US	Multiple site	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Godfrey, 2021 ²²⁵	NR	semi-structured, in-depth interviews	Later	US	Multiple site	Urban, rural, and suburban	Provider or Healthcare system
Goh, 2021 ²²⁶	Video	Survey	Early	US and Canada	Multiple site	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Goldberg, 2021 ²²⁷	Video	Semi-structured interviews	Later	US	national survey	urban/suburban/ru ral	Provider or Healthcare system
Gomez, 2021 ²²⁸	NR	interviews	Early	US	Multiple site	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Granberg, 2021 ²²⁹	Video	Semi-structured interviews	Early	US	Single site	Urban	Patient
Greven, 2021 ²³⁰	Video	Retrospective cohort	Early	US	Single site	NR	Patient
Gullslett, 2021 ²³¹	Video	qualitative	Early	Norway	single site	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Guzman, 2022 ²³²	Both	interviews, semi- structured	General	Australia	Multiple site	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Haase, 2021 ²³³	NR	interview	Later	Canada	NR	NR	Patient

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Hall-Mills, 2022 ²³⁴	Not stated	Focus group	Later	US	Multiple site	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Hamad, 2021 ²³⁵	NR	cross-sectional survey	Early	US	single site	NR	patient
Handley, 2022 ²³⁶	Both	interviews, semi- structured	Later	US	Single site	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Hao, 2021 ²³⁷	Not stated	interviews	Later	US	Multiple site	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Hardy, 2021 ²³⁸	video	mixed methods	Early	US	web-based	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Hasson, 2021 ²³⁹	NR	survey	Early	Israel	single site	Urban	Patient
Heiskanen, 2021 ²⁴⁰	Video	open-ended questions	Early	Finland	national survey	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Hentati, 2021 ²⁴¹	Video	Survey	General	US	NR	NR	Patient
Hersch, 2022 ²⁴²	Not stated	Mixed, IDIs	Later	US	Multiple site	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Hertling, 2021 ²⁴³	Video	Survey	General	Germany	NR	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Hlubocky, 2021 ²⁴⁴	NR	focus groups	Later	US	web-based	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Holcomb, 2020 ²⁴⁵	Telephone only	cross-sectional	Early	US	single site	NR	patient
Humer, 2020 ²⁴⁶	Video	survey	Early	Austria	web-based survey	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Hunter, 2021 ²⁴⁷	NR	qualitative	Early	UK, Greece, US	NR	NR	patient
Hunter, 2021 ²⁴⁸	NR	Interview	Early	US	Multiple site	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Hyung, 2021 ²⁴⁹	NR	Cross sectional survey	General	US	Single site	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
lacopi, 2021 ²⁵⁰	Telephone only	Survey	Early	Multi	Single site	Urban	Patient
Imlach, 2020 ²⁵¹	Video	Interview	General	New Zealand	NR	NR	Patient
Isautier, 2020 ²⁵²	Video	Survey/free text (qual)	Later	Australia	NR	Other (define)	Patient
Israilov, 2020 ²⁵³	NR	survey	General	US	Multiple site	Urban	Provider or Healthcare system
Itamura, 2021 ²⁵⁴	Video	Survey	Compares pre-COVID to post-COVID	US	Single site	Urban	Patient

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lyer, 2021 ²⁵⁵	Video	Open-ended survey questions	Early	US	single site	NR	Both
lyer, 2021255	Video	Survey	Early	US	single site	NR	Patient
lyer, 2021 ²⁵⁵	Video	Survey	Early	US	single site	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Jaclyn, 2021 ²⁵⁶	Video	Survey	Early	US	Multiple site	NR	Patient
Jang, 2021 ²⁵⁷	Telephone only	not described (records review)	General	Korea (South)	Multiple site	NR	Patient
Jassil, 2022 ²⁵⁸	Telephone plus video	interviews, semi- structured	General	UK	Multiple site	NR	Patient
Javanparast, 2021 ²⁵⁹	Video	interview	Early	Australia	Multiple site	urban	patient
Javanparast, 2021 ²⁶⁰	NR	Interview	Early	Australia	Multiple site	NR	Patient
Jimenez- Rodriguez, 2020 ²⁶¹	NR	descriptive observational study	Early	Spain	Multiple site	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Johnsen, 2021 ²⁶²	Video	survey	Early	Norway	NR	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Johnson, 2021 ²⁶³	NR	mixed methods	General	UK	web-based	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Joughin, 2021 ²⁶⁴	Video	Survey/free-text	General	UK	Single site	Urban	Provider or Healthcare system
Joughin, 2021 ²⁶⁴	Video	Survey	General	UK	Single site	Urban	Patient
Joyce, 2021 ²⁶⁵	Video	not stated (case study)	General	US	single site	NR	patient
Kang, 2020 ²⁶⁶	Video	NR	Early	UK	Single site	Urban	Provider or Healthcare system
Kang, 2020 ²⁶⁶	Video	Survey	Early	UK	Single site	Urban	Patient
Kang, 2021 ²⁶⁷	Telephone only	open-ended survey	General	US	Multiple site	NR	patient
Kasturi, 2021 ²⁶⁸	NR	prospective	Later	US	Multiple site	Urban	patient
Kaufman, 2021 ²⁶⁹	Video	Cross-sectional survey	Early	Israel	web-based survey	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Kayser, 2021 ²⁷⁰	Video	Retrospective analysis	Early	Germany	Single site	NR	Patient
Kazi, 202164	Video	Cohort	Early	US	NR	NR	Both
Kenney, 2021 ²⁷¹	Video	Survey	Early	US	Single site	Urban	Provider or Healthcare system
Kenney, 2021 ²⁷¹	Video	Survey	Early	US	Single site	Urban	Patient

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Kippen, 2020 ²⁷²	NR	Survey	Early	Australia	online	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Klamroth- Marganska, 2021 ²⁷³	Video	open-ended questions	Early	Switzerland	national survey	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Kolin, 2021 ²⁷⁴	NR	Survey	General	US	NR	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Korecka, 2020 ²⁷⁵	Video	Cross-sectional survey	Early	Austria, Germany	NR	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Koziatek, 2020 ²⁷⁶	video	retrospective cohort	Early	US	single site	urban	patient
Krawczyk, 2021 ²⁷⁷	NR	qualitative	Early	Reddit survey	web-based	NR	Patient
Krok-Schoen, 2021 ²⁷⁸	NR	survey	General	US, Canada, Mexico, Africa, Europe, Australia, Asia	web-based	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Kronenberger, 2021 ⁷¹	Video	Prospective cohort	General	US	NR	NR	Patient
Kryszak, 2022 ²⁷⁹	Both	interviews, semi- structured	Later	US and Canada	Multiple site	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Kursite, 2022 ²⁸⁰	Not stated	interviews, semi- structured	General	Latvia	Multiple site	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Laden, 2021 ²⁸¹	Not stated	Semi-structured interviews, thematic analysis	Later	United States	Multiple site	NR	Patient
Lapadula, 2021 ²⁸²	Video	Survey	General	US	Single site	Urban	Patient
Lapadula, 2021 ²⁸²	Video	Survey	General	US	Single site	Urban	Provider or Healthcare system
LaRoche, 2021 ²⁸³	NR	web-based survey	General	US	web-based survey	NR	Patient
Lau, 2021 ²⁸⁴	Video	Survey	Early	US	national network survey	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
LeBrun, 2021 ²⁸⁵	NR	cross-sectional	Early	US	single site	urban	patient
Lee, 2021 ²⁸⁶	NR	Cross sectional survey	Compares pre-COVID to post-COVID	US	NR	NR	Provider or Healthcare system

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Lee, 2022 ²⁸⁷	Telephone only	Survey, open- ended questions	Later	not stated, maybe UK, and Canada	NR	NR	Patient
Lee, 2022 ²⁸⁷	Telephone only	Survey, open- ended questions	Later COVID era (June 2020 and later)	Multi	NR	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Li, 2021 ²⁸⁸	NR	Survey	Early	US	Single site	Urban	Patient
Lin, 2021 ²⁸⁹	Video	focus groups	General	US	Multiple site	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Luckett, 2021 ²⁹⁰	NR	Cross-Sectional Survey	General	Australia	Web-based, non- site specific	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Ludwig, 2021 ²⁹¹	NR	observational cross-sectional	Early	France	single site	NR	patient
Lun, 2020 ²⁹²	Video	prospective	Early	Canada	Single site	NR	Both
Lynch, 2021 ²⁹³	NR	Interviews	General	US	Single site	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Lynch, 2021 ²⁹³	NR	survey	General	US	Single site	NR	Patient
Macchi, 2021 ²⁹⁴	NR	qualitative	General	US	Multiple site	NR	Patient
Madden, 2020 ²⁹⁵	NR	Prospective cohort	Early	US	Multiple site	Urban	Provider or Healthcare system
Malden, 2021 ²⁹⁶	NR	interview	General	US and UK	Multiple site	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Manz, 2021 ²⁹⁷	NR	Survey	Early	US	Single site	NR	Patient
Margolin, 2021 ²⁹⁸	Video	Survey	Later	US	Single site	Urban	Patient
Margolin, 2021 ²⁹⁸	Video	Survey	Later	US	Single site	Urban	Provider or Healthcare system
Mark, 2022 ²⁹⁹	Not stated	Interviews	Later	US	Multiple site	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Marshall, 2021 ³⁰⁰	NR	semi-structured interview	General	US	web-based	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Martin, 2021 ³⁰¹	Telephone only	Mixed-methods	Later	US	Multiple site	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Masi, 2021 ³⁰²	NR	Survey	General	Australia	NR	NR	Caregiver
McKee, 2021 ³⁰³	Video	Survey	Early	US	online national survey	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Melian, 2021 ³⁰⁴	Telephone only	prospective	General	New Zealand	single site	NR	patient
Meno, 2021 ³⁰⁵	Video	Survey	Early	US	Single site	NR	Patient

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Mertz, 2021 ³⁰⁶	Telephone only	Survey	Early	Italy	Single site	Urban	Patient
Miller, 2021 ³⁰⁷	NR	Survey	Early	US	Single site	Urban	Patient
Mohammed, 2021 ³⁰⁸	NR	web-based survey	Later	Canada	web-based survey	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Mozes, 2022 ³⁰⁹	Both	Focus group	General	Israel	Multiple site	NR	Patient
Mrugala, 2021 ³¹⁰	NR	survey	Early	US, Europe, Asia (roughly half from US)	web-based	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Murphy, 2021 ³¹¹	Video	interview	General	UK	Multiple site	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Mustafa, 2020 ³¹²	Video	prospective	Early	US	single site	NR	Patient
Mustafa, 2021 ³¹³	Video	prospective	Later	US	single site	NR	patient
Myers, 2020 ³¹⁴	Video	qualitative	Early	US	single site	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Nagra, 2021 ³¹⁵	NR	cross-sectional survey	Early	UK	web-based	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Negi, 2022 ³¹⁶	Not stated	Survey, open ended questions	General	US	Multiple site	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Neumann- Podczaska, 2021 ³¹⁷	NR	experimental education project	Early	Poland	single site	NR	Both
Newman-Casey, 2021 ³¹⁸	Video	Survey/open- ended questions (qual)	Early	US	Single site	Urban	Patient
Ng, 2021 ³¹⁹	NR	Cross sectional survey	Later	US	Multiple site	NR	Patient
Nguyen, 2022 ³²⁰	both	Semi-structured interviews, thematic analysis	General	United States	Multiple site	Urban	Patient
Orlowski, 2022	Not stated	interviews, semi- structured	General	US, Span, Australia	Multiple site	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Orrange, 2021 ³²¹	Video	Survey	Early	US	Single site	Urban	Patient
Padala, 2020 ³²²	Video	Cross-sectional survey	General	US	Multiple site	Rural	Patient
Pagano, 2021 ³²³	NR	semi-structured interviews	Early	US	Multiple site	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Parikh, 2021 ³²⁴	Video	Qualitative survey	Later	US	Single site	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Park, 2021 ³²⁵	Telephone only	Survey	Early	Korea (South)	Single site	Urban	Patient

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Park, 2021 ³²⁵	Telephone only	Survey	Early	Korea (South)	Single site	Urban	Provider or Healthcare system
Parkinson, 2021 ³²⁶	NR	qualitative	Later	Australia	NR	NR	Patient
Parsons, 2021 ³²⁷	Video	Survey/free text (qual)	General	US	Single site	Urban	combination (define)
Parsons, 2021 ³²⁷	Video	Survey/free text (qual)	General	US	Single site	Urban	Provider or Healthcare system
Patt, 2021 ³²⁸	NR	Multifaceted education and coordination initiatives	General	US	Multiple site	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Peahl, 2021 ³²⁹	NR	Survey	Early	US	Single site	Suburban	Patient
Peahl, 2021 ³²⁹	NR	Survey	Early	US	Single site	Suburban	Provider or Healthcare system
Philip, 2020 ³³⁰	Telephone only plus video	Qualitative interviews	Compares pre-COVID to post-COVID	UK	Single site	Urban	Patient
Pogorzelska- Maziarz, 2021 ³³¹	NR	qualitative	Early	US	single site	NR	Both
Pooni, 2021 ³³²	NR	survey	Later	US and Canada	web-based survey	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Popova, 2021 ³³³	Video	retrospective cohort	Early	UK	single site	NR	patient
Puteikis, 2021 ³³⁴	NR	Cross-sectional survey	Later	Lithuania	web-based survey	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Rahman, 2021 ³³⁵	Telephone only	questionnaire	Early	UK	NR	NR	patient
Rametta, 2020 ³³⁶	NR	Cohort with retrospective comparison	Compares pre-COVID to post-COVID	US	Single site	Urban	Patient
Reicher, 2021 ³³⁷	NR	Cross-Sectional, descriptive, correlational study	Early	Israel	Web-based, non- site specific	NR	Patient
Reid, 2020 ³³⁸	NR	Survey	Early	Canada	Multiple site	NR	Patient
Reynolds, 2021 ³³⁹	Not stated	Mixed, survey with free text	General	Ireland	Multiple site	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Rezich, 2021 ³⁴⁰	Telephone plus video	Survey, open ended questions	General	United States	Single site	Distance from Clinic	Patient
Ritchie, 2021 ³⁴¹	Video	Survey/open- ended questions	Early	US	national survey	NR	Provider or Healthcare system

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Rizzi, 2020 ³⁴²	Video	survey	Early	US	Single site	Urban	Both
Roach, 2021 ³⁴³	NR	in-depth interviews	Early	Canada	Single site	NR	Patient
Robinson, 2021 ³⁴⁴	Video	qualitative	Early	UK	single site	NR	patient
Rodda, 2022 ³⁴⁵	Not stated	Mixed, survey with free text	General	New Zealand	Multiple site	Urban	Provider or Healthcare system
Rosengard, 2021 ³⁴⁶	Video	Survey	Early	US	Single site	Urban	Patient
Rosenthal- 2021 ³⁴⁷	Video	Interviews	Later	US	Single site	Urban	Provider or Healthcare system
Ross, 2021 ³⁴⁸	Video	focus groups	Early	US	Single site	Urban	Provider or Healthcare system
Ross, 2021 ³⁴⁹	NR	Cross sectional survey	General	US	Multiple site	NR	Patient
Rush, 2021350	Video	Survey	General	Canada	NR	Rural	Patient
Saad, 2021 ³⁵¹	Telephone plus video	Semi-structured interviews, thematic analysis	General	Canada	Single site	NR	Patient
Sagar, 2021352	Telephone only	Survey	Later	UK	Single site	Urban	Patient
Sagar, 2021 ³⁵²	Telephone only	Survey	Later	UK	Single site	Urban	Provider or Healthcare system
Salehi, 2020 ³⁵³	Video	Qualitative survey	Later	US	Single site	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Saliba- Gustafsson, 2020 ³⁵⁴	NR	Interviews	Early	US	Single site	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
San Juan, 2021 ³⁵⁵	Both	Interviews, semi-structured	Later	UK	Multiple site	Urban	Patient
Sathiyaraj, 2021 ³⁵⁶	video	survey	General	US	single site	suburban	patient
Scherrenberg, 2021 ³⁵⁷	Video	Survey	Later	Belgium	Single site	Urban	Patient
Schindler- Ruwisch, 2021 ³⁵⁸	NR	Cross sectional	General	US	NR	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Schoebel, 2021 ³⁵⁹	Video	Semi-structured interviews	Later	US	Multiple site	urban/rural	Provider or Healthcare system

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Schrag, 2022 ³⁶⁰	Not stated	Semi-structured interviews, thematic analysis	Later	US	Multiple site	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Searby, 2021 ³⁶¹	NR	semi-structured interview	Later	Australia and New Zealand	web-based	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Serafini, 2021 ³⁶²	Telephone only	Survey	Early	US	Single site	Urban	Patient
Severe, 2020 ³⁶³	Video	survey	Later	US	single site	NR	patient
Sezgin, 2020 ³⁶⁴	Video	document analysis	Early	US	Single site	Urban	Patient
Shah, 2021 ³⁶⁵	Video	interview	Early	Canada	Single site	Urban	Both
Shah, 2021 ³⁶⁶	NR	survey	Early	Australia	Single site	NR	Patient
Sharma, 2022 ³⁶⁷	telephone plus video	Semi-structured interviews, thematic analysis	General	United States	Multiple site	NR	Patient
Shivkumar, 2021 ³⁶⁸	NR	Qualitative survey	Early	US	NR	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Shklarski, 2021 ³⁶⁹	video	mixed methods	Later	US	web-based	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Shklarski, 2021 ³⁷⁰	NR	mixed methods	Later	US	web-based	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Silver, 2021 ³⁷¹	Video	questionnaire	Early	US	single site	Urban	Provider or Healthcare system
Silverio, 2021 ³⁷²	Not stated	Semi-structured interviews, thematic analysis	General	UK	Multiple site	NR	Patient
Singh, 2021 ³⁷³	Video	cross-sectional	Early	US	Multiple site	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Singh, 2021 ³⁷⁴	Video	Survey/free text (qual)	Early	US	online national survey	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Singla, 2022 ³⁷⁵	Telephone plus video	interviews, semi- structured	General	Canada, US	Multiple site	NR	Patient
Sklar, 2021 ³⁷⁶	Video	Survey/open- ended questions (qual)	Early	US	Multiple site	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Sloan, 2021 ³⁷⁷	Both	Interviews, in- depth	Later	UK	NR	NR	Patient
Sloan, 2021 ³⁷⁷	Both	Interviews, in- depth	Later	UK	NR	NR	Provider or Healthcare system

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Sloan, 2022 ³⁷⁸	NR	interview	General	UK, N Ireland, US, Canada, other-Europe, other	NR	NR	Patient
Smith, 2021 ³⁷⁹	Video	Cross-sectional survey	Later	Canada	web-based survey	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Smith- MacDonald, 2021 ³⁸⁰		Mixed	Later	Canada	Multiple site	NR	Patient
Smithson, 2021 ³⁸¹	Video	focus groups	Early	Australia	single site	NR	both
Smrke, 2020 ³⁸²	Telephone only	Survey	Early	UK	Single site	Urban	Patient
Smrke, 2020 ³⁸²	Telephone only	Survey	Early	UK	Single site	Urban	Provider or Healthcare system
Snyder, 2021 ³⁸³	Video	case study (specific methodology is NR)	Early	US	Single site	NR	Patient
Srinivasan, 2020 ³⁸⁴	Video	Qualitative interviews	Early	US	Multiple site	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Stanhope, 2022 ³⁸⁵	Telephone only	Mixed, IDIs	Later	United States	Single site	NR	Patient
Stewart, 2020 ³⁸⁶	NR	Survey/free text (qual)	Early	US	Multiple site	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Stewart, 2021 ³⁸⁷	NR	phenomological approach (online forum)	Later	UK	web-based	NR	Patient
Stifani, 2021388	Video	Interviews	Early	US	Single site	Urban	Patient
Subotic, 2020 ³⁸⁹	Video	Interview	Early	Canada	NR	NR	Patient
Sullivan, 2022 ³⁹⁰	Not stated	Interviews, semi-structured	Later	UK	Multiple site	Urban/suburban	Provider or Healthcare system
Taylor, 2021 ³⁹¹	NR	online survey; thematic analysis	Later	Australia	web-based survey	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Tejera-Perez, 2021 ³⁹²	Video	Cross-Sectional Survey	Early	Spain	Web-based, non- site specific	NR	Patient
Treitler, 2021 ³⁹³	NR	semi-structured interviews	General	US	NR	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Triantafillou, 2021 ³⁹⁴	Video	Qualitative interviews	Early	US	Single site	NR	Patient
Tse, 2021 ³⁹⁵	NR	Survey	Early	US	Single site	Urban	Patient

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Tuijt, 2021 ³⁹⁶	NR	qualitative	General	UK	Multiple site	NR	patient
Turchetti, 2021 ³⁹⁷	Video	interview	Early	Italy	single site	urban	Provider or Healthcare system
Tyler, 2021 ³⁹⁸	NR	Survey	Later	UK	Multiple site	NR	Patient
Uscher-Pines, 2020 ³⁹⁹	NR	Interview	Early	US	NR	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Uscher-Pines, 2020 ⁴⁰⁰	Video	Qualitative interviews	Early	US	Multiple site	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Uscher-Pines, 2021 ⁴⁰¹	Video	interview	Later	US	national survey	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Van Citters, 2021 ⁴⁰²	both	FGs and Semi- structured interviews, thematic analysis	Later	US	Multiple site	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Van Dam, 2021 ⁴⁰³	Both	Semi-structured interviews, thematic analysis	General	Australia	NR	NR	Patient
van de Poll- Franse, 2021 ⁴⁰⁴	Video	Survey	Early	The Netherlands	NR	NR	Patient
van Gelder, 2021 ⁴⁰⁵	NR	semi-structured interview	Later	The Netherlands	Multiple site	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Venville, 2021406	Video	qualitative	Later	Australia	Single site	NR	Both
Walters, 2022 ⁴⁰⁷	Not stated	interviews, semi- structured	General	United States	Multiple site	NR	Patient
Walters, 2022 ⁴⁰⁷	Not stated	interviews, semi- structured	General	US	Multiple site	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Wang, 2021 ⁴⁰⁸	NR	Survey	Early	US	NR	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Waterland, 2021 ⁴⁰⁹	NR	impact evaluation	Early	Australia	single site	NR	Patient
Webb, 2022 ⁴¹⁰	Not stated	Semi-structured interviews, thematic analysis	General	UK	Multiple site	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Wiebe, 2021 ⁴¹¹	Video	Semi-structured interview	Early	Canada	national survey	urban/rural/mixed	Provider or Healthcare system
Wilhite, 2021 ⁴¹²	Video	Survey/open- ended questions (qual)	Early	US	Multiple site	Urban	Provider or Healthcare system

Author, Year	Type of Intervention	Study Design*	Study Period†	Country	Single or Multiple Sites	Geographic Location	Patient or Provider/ Healthcare System
Wilson, 2021 ⁴¹³	Video	online survey; thematic analysis	General	New Zealand	web-based survey	70% urban, 20% rural, 10% other	Provider or Healthcare system
Wolthers 2020 ⁴¹⁴	Telephone only	Survey	Early	Denmark	Single site	Urban	Patient
Wood, 2021 ⁴¹⁵	NR	not stated (case study)	General	US	single site	NR	patient
Yelverton, 2021 ⁴¹⁶	NR	in-depth interviews	Later	US	Multiple site	NR	Provider or Healthcare system
Yoon, 2020 ⁴¹⁷	NR	Survey	General	US	Single site	NR	Patient
Zeghari, 2021 ⁴¹⁸	Video	Observational crossover	General	France	mobile van	NR	Patient
Zhang, 2020 ⁴¹⁹	NR	mixed methods study	Early	US	single site	Urban	Provider or Healthcare system
Zhu, 2021 ⁴²⁰	video	retrospective cohort-qual	Early	US	single site	urban	both
Zimmerman, 2021 ¹³⁴	Video	Prospective cohort	General	US	Single site	NR	Patient
Zimmerman, 2021 ⁴²¹	Video	Survey	Later	US	Single site	Urban	Patient
Zingone, 2020422	NR	survey	Early	Italy	Multiple site	NR	Patient
Zorron, 2021423	Video	prospective	Later	Australia	Multiple site	NR	both

* as defined by study authors

† Early=Early COVID-19 era (March-June 2020); General= General COVID-19 era; Later= Later COVID-19 era (June 2020 and later)

NGO = non-governmental organization; NR = not reported; UK = United Kingdom; US = United States

Author, Year	Arm/Group	Define Arm/Group	N	Patient Health Concern/Clinical Condition	Age, Mean (95% Cl) [Range]	Female Sex, n (%)	Race/Ethnicity. N (%)
Adams, 2021137	Full group		127	rheumatic disease	Adults (18+)	88 (69.8)	NR
Allison, 2022141	Full group	patients	48	primary care	15	22(46%)	Asian 2 (4) Black or African- American 8 (17) White 29 (60) American Indian or Alaska Native 1 (2) Multiracial 1 (2) Missing 7 (15)
Anghelescu, 2021143	Full group		22	Parkinson's Disease	70.5 [51-79]	6 (27.3)	NR
Antoun, 2021144	Full group		10	end-stage renal disease	65.4	4 (40)	NR
Banks, 2021149	Arm 2	Patients	93	Epilepsy	not reported	NR	NR
Barsom, 2021152	Full group		1027	Not reported	NR	NR	NR
Barton, 2022154	Full group	patients	19	Physical therapy	Adult, NS	11.4(60%)	NR
Ben-Ayre, 2021157	arm 2	patients	30	oncology	61	27 (90)	NR
Bennell, 2021158	Arm 3	Patients	401	Physiotherapy	[18-80]	305 (76)	NR
Bethel, 2021159	Full group		9	Palliative care	Not reported	NR	NR
Birkhoff, 2021161	Full group		34	heart failure	75 [59-98]	18 (53)	27 (79) White. 7 (21) Black
Boydell, 2021165	Full group		20	abortion	[18-39]	20 (100)	19 White, 1 British Asian
Campbell-Yeo, 2021173	Full group	Inter- disciplinary research team	20	NICU	not reported	NR	NR
Clair, 2021179	Full group		9	Substance Use Disorders	NR	NR	NR
Cook, 2021182	Arm 2	Patients	6	mental illness during pregnancy	Not reported	NR	NR
Cooper, 2021183	Full group		10	dementia	74.3 (8.6)	9 (90)	White (30); Asian (60); Mixed (10)
Costa, 2021185	Full group		381	mental health	not reported	NR	NR
Dainty, 2022189	Full group	patients	18	Specialty	Over half over 65	11 (61)	NR
Dennett, 2021192	Full group	patients	379	community health, mental health, multidisciplinary, allied health	Adult, NS	222 (59)	NR
Di Lalla, 2021194	Full group		53	Cancer	[18-75+]	36 (67.92)	NR
Donovan, 2021198	Full group		35	Sleep	61.8 (13.8)	5 (14.30	White: (88.6); Black: (2.9); Asian: (8.6)

Table D.12. Patient participant characteristics of studies addressing barriers and facilitators to, and satisfaction and dissatisfaction of telehealth in qualitative studies (Key Question 3)

Author, Year	Arm/Group	Define Arm/Group	N	Patient Health Concern/Clinical Condition	Age, Mean (95% Cl) [Range]	Female Sex, n (%)	Race/Ethnicity. N (%)
Edge, 2021202	Full group	patients	852	Cancer	Adult, NS	613 (71.90)	NR
Evans, 2021204	Full group		162	Endometriosis	30.8 [18-50]	162 (100)	NR
Finn, 2021208	Arm 3	Patients	180	Integrative Medicine	46.98 (16.74)	(24.7)	White (87.6); Black (7.9); Asian (1.3); American Indian/Alaskan Native (0.5); Pacific Islander (0.2); Other (2.4)
Frayn, 2021213	Full group		11	binge eating spectrum disorders	42.8	7 (63.6)	White (81.8)
Gefen, 2021220	Full group	Young patients and their parents	8	patients receiving out- patient sessions of physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech and language therapy and psychology	NR	NR	NR
Granberg, 2021229	Full group		20	oncology	60.5	13 (65)	White (75)
Haase, 2021233	Full group		30	Cancer	72.1 [63-83]	17 (56.7)	White 28 (93.3)
Hunter, 2021247	Full group		12	anorexia	31.8 [21-63]	11 (92)	NR
Imlach, 2020251	Arm 3	Interview	38	General	[18-65+]	(63)	Maori (16) Pacific peoples (8) Asian (11) NZ/Euro/other (66)
Isautier, 2020252	Full group		1369	general/chronic health conditions	44.7 +/-16.7	911 (66.5)	NR
Jassil, 2022258	Full group	patients	12	Exercise rehab post bariatric surgery	Adult, NS	8 (66.7)	Asian: 3 (25) Black: 2 (16.7) White: 7 (58.3)
Javanparast, 2021259	Full group		30	chronic conditions	[54-88]	17 (56)	NR
Javanparast, 2021260	Full group		30	general	[54-88]	17(56.7)	NR
Kang, 2021267	Full group		237	mental health	41.7 (10.2)	105 (52)	White (81); Black (4); Hispanic (10); unk (5)
Krawczyk, 2021277	Full group		1000	opiates	not reported	NR	NR
Laden, 2021281	Full group	patients	30	kidney disease	Adult, NS	20 (67%) were women	(21 White, 11 Black, 2 biracial, and 2 Asian)

Author, Year	Arm/Group	Define Arm/Group	N	Patient Health Concern/Clinical Condition	Age, Mean (95% Cl) [Range]	Female Sex, n (%)	Race/Ethnicity. N (%)
LaRoche, 2021283	Full group		711	N/A	48.26	340 (51.5)	White: 523; Hispanic: 67; Black: 65; Other: 56
Lee, 2022287	Full group	patients	234	Nephrilogy	Adult, NS	(40)	White: (92) Black: (8)
Macchi, 2021294	Arm 2	Patients	108	Parkinson's, Alzheimer's, or related disorders	73.3 (17.3)	64 (59.3)	White (91.7); Asian (4.6); American Native (3.7); Other (2.8); Prefer not to answer (0.9)
Macchi, 2021294	Arm 3	Caregivers	90	Parkinson's, Alzheimer's, or related disorders	66.6 (12.1)	23 (25.6)	White (93.3); Asian (2.2); Other (3.3); Prefer not to answer (1.1)
Mozes, 2022309	Full group	patients	24	NS	40	13 (54.2)	NR
Neumann-Podczaska, 2021317	Arm 2	Patients	42	primary care	not reported	NR	NR
Newman-Casey, 2021318	Arm 2	Phone visits	320	eye disease	62.6	186 (58.1)	White (77.8)
Newman-Casey, 2021318	Arm 3	Video visits	95	eye disease	59.8	57 (60.0)	White (78.9)
Nguyen, 2022320	Full group	patients	25	mixed	42	68%	Race or Ethnicity, n (%) Asian or Pacifc Islander, or other 6 (24) Black 5 (20) Hispanic/ Latino (a) 11 (44) White 3 (12)
Orrange, 2021321	Full group		368	NR	55.8 IQR: 43-68	239 (66)	White (70)
Parkinson, 2021326	Full group		8	Multiple Sclerosis	[30-59]	6 (75)	NR
Philip, 2020330	Arm 1	Usual care	9	Long-term respiratory conditions	69.89	6 (66)	NR
Philip, 2020330	Arm 2	Singing for lung health	9	Long-term respiratory conditions	72.1	3 (33)	NR
Pogorzelska-Maziarz, 2021331	Arm 2	Patients	15	chronic disease	70 [57-87]	10 (67)	White: (93); Black: (7)

Author, Year	Arm/Group	Define Arm/Group	N	Patient Health Concern/Clinical Condition	Age, Mean (95% Cl) [Range]	Female Sex, n (%)	Race/Ethnicity. N (%)
Rezich, 2021340	Full group	patients	142	Genetic medicine	Adults and children	120 (85.7)	Black: 2 Latino/Hisp: 7 SE Asian: 2 Middle east, north affrica, west asian: 1 White: 131 Other: 1
Roach, 2021343	Full group	dyads of caregivers and patients	20	dementia	69 (8.3)	10 (50)	NR
Robinson, 2021344	Full group		18	orthopedic surgery	52 (16.7)	7 (38)	NR
Saad, 2021351	Full group	patients	15	obstetrics	not abstractable	15 (100%)	NR
San Juan, 2021355	Full group	patients	44	Mental health	Adult, NS	28 (63)	white: 28 (63) Black: 6 (14) Asian: 6 (14)
Sezgin, 2020364	Full group		122	behavioral health and speech language pathology	[0-18+]	69 (57)	White: (45). Black: (33). Multiracial: (11). Other: (3)
Sharma, 2022367	Full group	patients	36	general	60 (SD 14.31) years	44.44%	White: n=20; 87%
Silverio, 2021372	Full group	patients	23	obstetrics	34.83	23(100%)	White/Caucasian 8 (53%) South Asian 1 (7%) African 1 (7%) Portuguese 1 (7%) Arab 1 (7%) Unknown 3 (20%)
Singla, 2022375	Full group	patients	23	Perinatal: with depressive or anxiety conditions	32 (20 to 40)	23 (100)	White: 12 (52.2) Black: 2 (8.7) Hispanic: 2 (8.7) Multi: 2 (8.7) no answer: 2 (8.7) other: 1 (4.3)
Sloan, 2021377	Full group	patients	31	inflammatory conditions (rheumatology)	Adult, NS	27 (87)	NR
Sloan, 2022378	Full group	patients	41	rheumatology	Adult, NS	36 (88)	NR
Smith-MacDonald, 2021380	Full group	patients	31	mental health	Adult, NS	(45.8)	NR
Snyder, 2021383	Arm 2	Dyad: caregiver +	5	Cancer	[55-76]	1	
		patient					White

Author, Year	Arm/Group	Define Arm/Group	N	Patient Health Concern/Clinical Condition	Age, Mean (95% Cl) [Range]	Female Sex, n (%)	Race/Ethnicity. N (%)
Snyder, 2021383	Arm 3	Individual caregiver	1	Cancer	41	1	White
Stanhope, 2022385	Full group	patients	16	obstetrics	between 20 and 35 years old (85.7% (42))	100%	The majority of respondents were non-Hispanic Black (85.1% (57))
Stewart, 2021387	Full group	caregivers	109	children with fistula	[<2-12]	58 (89)	White 61 (94) Asian or British Asian 1 (2) Did not respond 3 (5)
Stifani, 2021388	Full group		23	contraception	18+	NR	Black: (39). White: (9). Other: (48)
Subotic, 2020389	Full group	Interviews	18	Neuro/epilepsy	37.2 [23-87]	(50)	NR
Triantafillou, 2021394	Full group	Overall	56	Otolaryngology ambulatory	61	60.7	NR
Van Dam, 2021403	Full group	patients	12	not reported, mixed	54.33	7 (63.63%)	NR
Venville, 2021406	Arm 2	patients	20	mental health	[17-68]	16 (75)	NR
Walters, 2022407	Full group	patients	37	Opiod use disorder	NR	NR	NR
Wood, 2021415	Full group	patients	7	psychosis	26.9 (4.8)	4 (57)	NR

CI=confidence interval; IQR=interquartile range; N=sample size; NICU=neonatal intensive care unit; NR=not reported

Author, Year Arm/Group Define Ν Type of HC System Specialty/Clinical Focus Arm/Group Alkureeishi. 2021¹⁴⁰ Full aroup NA 200 NR Physician and Advanced practice provider Alpert. 2022¹⁴² NA Not reported Oncology Full group 21 Aschcroft, 2021¹⁴⁵ Full group NA 92 Nationally representative Family health care organizations Ashcroft. 2021¹⁴⁶ Full group NA 48 NR Primary care (wide, full-range care) Rehab/PT/OT/etc. Baadjou, 2020¹⁴⁸ Full group NA 12 Representative of a single large facility or organization Barnett. 2021¹⁵¹ Full group NA 223 NR mental health Barsom, 2021¹⁵² NA 87 NR Medical specialist, Paramedic, Full group Psychosocial worker. Resident. Specialized nurse Barth, 2021¹⁵³ Full group NA 9 NR treatment providers Bennell, 2021158 207 NR Physiotherapy Arm 2 providers Bommersbach, 2021¹⁶² Focus Groups 17 Representative of a single large facility Mental health Arm 3 or organization Bos. 2021¹⁶³ 67 Full group NA NR Rheumatology Bradfield, 2021¹⁶⁶ Full group NA 620 NR maternity (midwives) Brunton, 2021¹⁶⁸ NA 22 NR Registered Dietitian Nutritionists Full group Burton, 2022¹⁷⁰ NA 2 Nationally representative Primary care Full group Butt. 2022¹⁷¹ Full group NA 22 public and private healthcare system psycho-oncology (psychologicsts, psychiatrists, social workers) Byrnes, 2020¹⁷² NA 58 NR colorectal surgeons Full group Cartledge, 2021174 Full group NA 30 (only 17 public, private, and community health cardiac rehab completed demo profile) Chang, 2021¹⁷⁷ NA 25 Limited study of less than above Primary care and mental health Full group Cole. 2021¹⁸⁰ NA 69 NR neurologic music therapists Full aroup Collins, 2020¹⁸¹ Full group NA 14 NR Emergency Cormi. 2021¹⁸⁴ neurology, pneumology, urology, NA Representative of a single large facility Full group 4 anesthesiology or organization Courtney, 2021¹⁸⁶ Full group 23 Representative of a single large facility Interview Neurology or organization Dahl-Popolizio, 2020188 Full group NA 230 NR Rehab/PT/OT/etc. Davoodi. 2021¹⁹¹ NA 15 Full group Not reported emergency medicine DePuccio, 2022¹⁹³ NA 42 Not reported Primary Care Full group DiGiovanni. 2021¹⁹⁶ Full group NA 24 NR children Due, 2021²⁰¹ NA 13 NR General practitioners Full group Edge, 2021²⁰² NA 150 Full group Nationally representative Cancer

Table D.13. Provider participant characteristics of studies addressing barriers and facilitators to, and satisfaction and dissatisfaction of telehealth in qualitative studies (Key Question 3)

Author, Year	Arm/Group	Define Arm/Group	N	Type of HC System	Specialty/Clinical Focus
Feijt, 2020 ²⁰⁵	Full group	NA	51	NR	Mental health
Filippi, 2021 ²⁰⁷	Full group	NA	461	NR	primary care, Behavioral health, emergency medicine, and internal medicine,
Franzosa, 2021 ²¹¹	Full group	NA	13	NR	geriatrics
Franzosa, 2021 ²¹²	Full group	NA	13	NR	Primary care (wide, full-range care)
Frey, 2021 ²¹⁵	Full group	NA	18	Not reported	Hospice/Palliative care services
Gabe-Walters, 2021 ²¹⁷	Full group	NA	68	NR	lymphoedema
Gefen, 2021 ²²⁰	Full group	NA	12	Representative of a single large facility or organization	Rehab/PT/OT/etc.
Gergerich, 2020 ²²¹	Full group	NA	20	NR	hospice social worker
Gilbert, 2021 ²²³	Full group	NA	290	NR	Orthopedics, physiotherapy
Goddard, 2020 ²²⁴	Full group	NA	308	NR	Neurology
Godfrey, 2021 ²²⁵	Full group	NA	21	NR	Abortion
Goldberg, 2021 ²²⁷		NA	48	NR	geriatricians, primary care physician, emergency physician
Gomez, 2021 ²²⁸	Full group	Interview	15	Representative of a single large facility or organization	Primary care (wide, full-range care)
Gullslett, 2021 ²³¹	Full group	NA	14	Representative of a single large facility or organization	mental health
Guzman, 2022 ²³²	Full group	NA	14	Nationally representative	Primary Care
Hall-Mills, 2022 ²³⁴	Full group	NA	22	Not reported	Speech/language therapistsschool based
Handley, 2022 ²³⁶	Full group	NA	25	Not reported	Oncology
Hao, 2021 ²³⁷	Full group	NA	10	Not reported	Speech/language pathology
Hardy, 2021 ²³⁸	Full group	NA	58	NR	couples' therapy
Heiskanen, 2021 ²⁴⁰	Full group	NA	676	NR	Rehab/PT/OT/etc.
Hersch, 2022 ²⁴²	Full group	NA	30	6 college counseling centers	Participants held a variety of job titles, including psychologists (60%), social workers (20%), psychiatrists (3.3%), and "other" job titles (16.70%). Job titles listed under "other" included "clinical counselor" and "crisis Journal of American College Health 3 manager."
Hlubocky, 2021 ²⁴⁴	Full group	NA	25	NR	oncology
Hunter, 2021 ²⁴⁸	Full group	NA	20	NR	Opioid treatment
Jimenez-Rodriguez, 2020 ²⁶¹	Full group	NA	53	Large/Regionally representative	Not reported
Johnson, 2021 ²⁶³	Full group	NA	2180	NR	mental health
Joughin, 2021 ²⁶⁴	Full group	NA	53	NR	geriatric clinicians

Author, Year	Arm/Group		Type of HC System	Specialty/Clinical Focus	
Kang, 2020 ²⁶⁶	Full group	NA	3	NR	two oculoplastic consultants and one fellow
Klamroth-Marganska, 2021 ²⁷³	Full group	NA	1129	NR	occupational therapists and midwives
Kolin, 2021 ²⁷⁴	Full group	NA	328	NR	attending orthopedic physicians
Krok-Schoen, 2021 ²⁷⁸	Full group	NA	274	NR	oncology (older adults)
Kryszak, 2022 ²⁷⁹	Full group	NA	35	Not reported	psychologists, devel and beh physisicnas, psychiatrists, Ots, NPs, speech-language path
Kursite, 2022 ²⁸⁰	Full group	NA	34	Nationally representative	Primary care and specialty (cariology, oncology, internist, endocrinology, pulmonology)
Lau, 2021 ²⁸⁴	Full group	NA	104	NR	Surgical
Lee, 2022 ²⁸⁷	Full group	NA	11	Not reported	Nephro
Lin, 2021 ²⁸⁹	Full group	NA	61	NR	substance abuse
Luckett, 2021 ²⁹⁰	Full group	participants self-identify as being involved in planning the response to COVID of one or more specialist palliative care services	28	NR	Palliative Care
Lynch, 2021 ²⁹³	Full group	overall	6	Limited size	Mental health
Madden, 2020 ²⁹⁵	Full group	Overall	36	Representative of a single large facility or organization	Prenatal care facilities
Malden, 2021 ²⁹⁶	Full group	NA	44	NR	Medical informatics
Mark, 2022 ²⁹⁹	Full group	NA	12	Mixed	Opioid use
Marshall, 2021 ³⁰⁰	Full group	NA	30	NR	cancer
Martin, 2021 ³⁰¹	Full group	NA	42	NR	opioid use disorder
McKee, 2021 ³⁰³	Full group	NA	2619	NR	Mental health
Murphy, 2021 ³¹¹	Full group	NA	41	NR	21 GPs, 11 practice managers, and nine senior nurses and/ or advanced nurse practitioners
Myers, 2020 ³¹⁴	Full group	NA	8	Representative of a single large facility or organization	mental health
Nagra, 2021 ³¹⁵	Full group	NA	1250	NR	Optometry
Negi, 2022 ³¹⁶	Full group	NA	41	Not reported	Social services
Orlowski, 2022	Full group	NA	12	Not reported	Therapists

Author, Year	Arm/Group	Define Arm/Group	N	Type of HC System	Specialty/Clinical Focus
Pagano, 2021 ³²³	Full group	NA	17	NR	substance use
Parsons, 2021327	Full group	NA	134	NR	neuropsychologists
Reynolds, 2021 ³³⁹	Full group	NA	205	Not reported	Rehab/PT/OT/etc.
Ritchie, 2021 ³⁴¹	Full group	NA	79	Large/Regionally representative	Home-based primary care providers
Rodda, 2022 ³⁴⁵	Full group	NA	93	Not reported	Mental health
Rosenthal-2021 ³⁴⁷	Full group	NA	16	NR	physician, nurse, and medical staff
Ross, 2021 ³⁴⁸	Full group	NA	55	Representative of a single large facility or organization	Social workers
Saliba-Gustafsson, 2020 ³⁵⁴	Full group	First 50 C19 positive patients	48	Representative of a single large facility or organization	Neuro
Schindler-Ruwisch, 2021 ³⁵⁸	Full group	Overall	61	NR	Lactation professionals serving WIC recipients
Schoebel, 2021 ³⁵⁹	Full group	NA	31	NR	Behavioral health
Schrag, 2022 ³⁶⁰	Full group	NA	33	Not reported	Mental health
Searby, 2021 ³⁶¹	Full group	NA	19	NR	Alcohol/Drugs
Shklarski, 2021 ³⁶⁹	Full group	NA	169	NR	mental health
Shklarski, 2021 ³⁷⁰	Full group	NA	92	NR	mental health
Singh, 2021374	Full group	NA	117	NR	registered dietitian
Sklar, 2021 ³⁷⁶	Full group	NA	93	NR	Behavioral health
Sloan, 2021 ³⁷⁷	Full group	NA	29	Not reported	rheumatology
Srinivasan, 2020 ³⁸⁴	Full group	Overall	53	Representative of a single large facility or organization	Primary care (wide, full-range care)
Stewart, 2020 ³⁸⁶	Full group	NA	113	NR	dermatology
Sullivan, 2022 ³⁹⁰	Full group	NA	22	Nationally representative	Primary care
Taylor, 2021 ³⁹¹	Full group	NA	91	Limited size	combined both non-clinical and clinical HCWs
Treitler, 2021 ³⁹³	Full group	NA	20	NR	opioid use
Turchetti, 2021 ³⁹⁷	Full group	NA	13	Representative of a single large facility or organization	genetic counseling
Uscher-Pines, 2020 ³⁹⁹	Full group	Interviews	20	NR	Mental health
Uscher-Pines, 2020 ⁴⁰⁰	Full group	Overall	18	Nationally representative	Clinicians waivered to prescribe buprenorphine
Uscher-Pines, 2021 ⁴⁰¹	Full group	NA	15	NR	emergency department leader

Author, Year	Arm/Group	Define Arm/Group	N	Type of HC System	Specialty/Clinical Focus
Van Citters, 2021 ⁴⁰²	Full group	NA	22	Not reported	Twelve programs (5 adult, 6 pediatric, and 1 affiliate) participated in focus groups/interviews on telehealth quality and implementation (cohort 1) and eight programs (4 adult, 4 pediatric) participated in focus groups/interviews on reimbursement (cohort 2). Programs served PwCF from different U.S. regions and varied in size (Table 1). P
van Gelder, 2021 ⁴⁰⁵	Full group	NA	16	NR	domestic violence/abuse
Walters, 2022 ⁴⁰⁷	Full group	NA	18	Not reported	Opioid use disorder
Webb, 2022 ⁴¹⁰	Full group	NA	21	We interviewed twenty-one clinicians who, during the pandemic, delivered intensive treatments (IP and/or DP) to individuals with severe AN across four specialist National Health Service (NHS) ED Services in the United Kingdom (UK) (n=17 from London-based services; n=2 from a South-East England based service; n=2 from a Scottish based service).	Clinicians represented a purposive sample that sought diversity of professional background, years of experience in EDs, and ED setting (although participation was informed by clinician interest and availability), from selected specialist ED Services involved in the DAISIES trial [9].
Wiebe, 2021411	Full group	NA	16	NR	medical assistance in dying providers
Wilhite, 2021412	Full group	NA	195	NR	Not reported
Wilson, 2021413	Full group	NA	164	NR	Primary care (wide, full-range care)
Yelverton, 2021 ⁴¹⁶	Full group	NA	11	NR	HIV

PT=physical therapy; OT=occupational therapy; HC=healthcare=sample size; NA = not applicable, no arm group; NR=not reported

Author, Year	Arm/Group	Define Arm/Group	N	Patient Health Concern/Clinical Condition	Age, Mean (95% CI)	Female Sex, n (%)	Race/Ethnicity. n (%)
Ben-Ayre, 2021 ¹⁵⁷	arm 3	providers	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
Brown-Johnson, 2021 ¹⁶⁷	Full group		20	plastic surgery consultation	[20+]	11 (55)	White (55)
Cook, 2021 ¹⁸²	Arm 3	Facilitator/Sup ervisor	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
Cronin, 2020 ¹⁸⁷	Full group		177	teleconsultation in oral and maxillofacial surgery	NR	NR	NR
Di Lorito, 2021 ¹⁹⁵	Full group		10	dementia	NR	NR	NR
Dozieres-Puyravel, 2021 ¹⁹⁹	Full group		105	rare pediatric epilepsy	NR	NR	NR
lyer, 2021 ²⁵⁵	comb	pt/prov	43	geriatric	85.7 (6.8) [72-100]	4 (9.3)	White (81.4); Asian (16.3); Black (2.3)
Parsons, 2021 ³²⁷	Full group	patients and caregivers and parents/guardi ans	72	cognitive problems	[0-70]	NR	NR
Shah, 2021 ³⁶⁵	Full group		16	Cardiac Care	54.5 [23-78]	8 (50)	10 White, 1 Black, 3 Asian, 1 not declared
Smithson, 2021 ³⁸¹	arm 3	providers	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
Zhu, 2021 ⁴²⁰	arm 3	Patient/provide rs	187	surgery	[18-100]	97 (51.95)	American Indian or Alaska Native 1 (0.5) Asian 2 (1.1) Black or African American 42 (22.5) Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander 1 (0.5) White 119 (63.6) Not documented 24 (12.8)

Table D.14. Other population participant characteristics of studies addressing barriers and facilitators to, and satisfaction and dissatisfaction of telehealth in qualitative studies

CI=confidence interval; IQR=interquartile range; N=sample size; NR=not reported

Author, Year	Arm/Group	Define Arm/Group	N	Patient Health Concern/Clinical Condition	Age, Mean (95% CI) [Range]	Female Sex, n (%)	Race/Ethnicity. n (%)
Adams, 2021 ¹³⁷	Arm 1	Gp2	23	rheumatic disease	[40+]	(65.2)	NR
Adams, 2021 ¹³⁷	Arm 2	Gp1	104	rheumatic disease	[18+]	(71.2)	NR
Aleboyeh, 2021 ¹³⁹	Arm 2	NA	50	Epilepsy	[19-76]	(66)	NR
Atay, 2021 ¹⁴⁷	Full group	NA	769	abortion	29 (11)	769 (100)	NR
Banks, 2021 ¹⁴⁹	Arm 2	NA	93	Epilepsy	NR	NR	NR
Barba, 2021 ¹⁵⁰	Full group	NA	53	urogynecology	65.5 (9.3)	53 (100)	NR
Barsom, 2021 ¹⁵²	Full group	NA	1027	NR	NR	NR	NR
Barth, 2021 ¹⁵³	Full group	NA	68	Nearly half of the patients (48.8%) received supportive cancer care, 7.3% got complementary treatments for Irritable Bowel Disease, 4.9% for Irritable Bowel Syndrome, and 4.9% for endometriosis (other disease 26%)	54 [24-90]	(68.4)	NR
Bate, 2021 ¹⁵⁵	Arm 2	NA	875	NR	NR	NR	NR
Bhuva, 2020 ¹⁶⁰	Full group	NA	172	physical med and rehab	64.47 (12.42)	92 (53.4)	NR
Cavagna, 2020 ¹⁷⁵	Full group	NA	175	CTD/rheumatology	62.5 IQR: 53-73	147 (84)	NR
Champion, 2021 ¹⁷⁶	Full group	NA	47	dental surgery	NR	37 (78.7)	NR
Chen, 2021 ¹⁷⁸	Arm 2	NA	68	arthroplasty of hip or knee	64.3 (9.64)	43 (63.2)	White: (69.1); Black: (17.6); Unk: (11.8); Asian: (1.5)
Cronin, 2020 ¹⁸⁷	Full group	NA	337	teleconsultation in oral and maxillofacial surgery	NR	NR	NR
Datta, 2021 ¹⁹⁰	Full group	NA	223	epilepsy	35 (IQR: 26-49)	132 (59.2)	NR
Dinuzzi, 2021 ¹⁹⁷	Full group	Survey	99	Gastro	44.8 (+/- 12.3)	NR	NR
Erben, 2021 ²⁰³	Full group	Overall	6262	Vascular surgery	NR	NR	NR
Fieux, 2020 ²⁰⁶	Arm 2	NA	100	ENT	51 [18-78]	60(60)	NR

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Author, Year	Arm/Group	Define Arm/Group	N	Patient Health Concern/Clinical Condition	Age, Mean (95% CI) [Range]	Female Sex, n (%)	Race/Ethnicity. n (%)
Finn, 2021 ²⁰⁸	Arm 3	NA	180	Integrative Medicine	46.98 (16.74)	(75.3)	White (87.6); Black (7.9); Asian 1.3); American Indian/Alaskan Native (0.5); Pacific Islander (0.2); Other (2.4)
Fisher, 2020 ²⁰⁹	Arm 2	type 1 diabetes	763	type 1 diabetes	53.37	546 (72.5)	White (94.3)
Fisher, 2020 ²⁰⁹	Arm 3	type 2 diabetes	619	type 2 diabetes	64.90	408 (67)	White (77.1)
Fonseca, 2020 ²¹⁰	Full group	NA	225	Epilepsy	48.2 [17-94]	121 (47.5)	NR
Freiman, 2021 ²¹⁴	Full group	Overall	189	Hip and knee arthroplasty	62.9	104 (55)	White, Black, Hispanic, Native American
Futterman, 2021 ²¹⁶	Full group	NA	104	prenatal	31.1 (6.28)	104 (100)	White (9)) Black (13)) Hispanic (74))
Gava, 2021 ²¹⁹	Full group	NA	108	transgender/on gender affirming hormonal treatment	34.3 [18-61]	79 (73.1)	NR
Ghazala, 2021 ²²²	Arm 2	NA	6	Ophthalmology	NR	NR	NR
Greven, 2021 ²³⁰	Full group	Overall	346	Neurological spine surgery	60	53	NR
Hamad, 2021 ²³⁵	Full group	NA	184	dermatology	37.8 (18.3)	134 (72.8)	White (62); Black (23.9); Hispanic (6.5); Asian/Pl (5.4); Other 2.2)
Hasson, 2021 ²³⁹	Full group	NA	172	Cancer	63	73 (46)	NR
Hentati, 2021 ²⁴¹	Full group	NA	45	Rhinology	51.2 +/-16	31 (68.9)	NR
Holcomb, 2020 ²⁴⁵	Full group	NA	283	prenatal	NR	NR	NR
lacopi, 2021 ²⁵⁰	Full group	NA	206	diabetic foot	72	(35.4)	NR
Imlach, 2020 ²⁵¹	Arm 2	Survey	1010	General	[18-65+]	(84.5)	Māori (10.2) Pacific peoples (1.8) Asian (3.4) NZ/Euro/other (84.5)
Itamura, 2021 ²⁵⁴	Full group	NA	221	NR	NR	NR	NR Ó
lyer, 2021 ²⁵⁵	arm 2	patients	43	geriatric	85.7 (6.8) [71-100]	4 (9.3)	White (81.4); Asian (16.3); Black (2.3)

Author, Year	Arm/Group	Define Arm/Group	N	Patient Health Concern/Clinical Condition	Age, Mean (95% CI) [Range]	Female Sex, n (%)	Race/Ethnicity. n (%)
Jaclyn, 2021 ²⁵⁶	Arm 3	Parents/guardians of pediatric patients	141	cystic fibrosis	[0-18]	NR	NR
Jaclyn, 2021 ²⁵⁶	Arm 2	Adult patients	120	cystic fibrosis	[18+]	NR	NR
Jang, 2021 ²⁵⁷	Full group	NA	2324	COVID-19	[19-60+]	1755 (75.5)	NR
Joughin, 2021 ²⁶⁴	Full group	NA	53	surgical pathology (vascular 88.1%, colorectal 10.4%, urological 1.5%)	NR	NR	NR
Joyce, 2021 ²⁶⁵	Full group	NA	21	liver transplant	NR	NR	NR
Kang, 2020 ²⁶⁶	Full group	NA	66	The most common was thyroid eye disease (34.8%), followed by eyelid lesions (16.7%), other orbital pathologies (15.2%) and lid pathologies (12.1%)	50.7 [18-88]	NR	NR
Kasturi, 2021 ²⁶⁸	Full group	NA	63	lupus	42.5 (13.5) [21-78]	62 (98.4)	White (49.2); Black (23.8); Asian (14.3); More than one (7.9); NR (4.8)
Kayser, 2021 ²⁷⁰	Full group	NA	37	Lung transplant patients	54	26 (49)	NR
Kenney, 2021 ²⁷¹	Full group	NA	38	childhood cancer survivors	[<18 - 30 +]	24 (63)	NR
Koziatek, 2020 ²⁷⁶	Full group	NA	2668	emergency care	[19-80+]	10952 (61.8)	Asian 1312 7.4 Black 2056 11.6 Hispanic/Other 5664 31.9 White 8698 49.0
Kronenberger, 2021 ⁷¹	Arm 1	Normal hearing	38	Cochlear implants	14.6	21	NR
Kronenberger, 2021 ⁷¹	Arm 2	Cochlear implant	28	Cochlear implants	14.8	13	NR
Lapadula, 2021 ²⁸²	Full group	NA	35	prenatally diagnosed fetal anomalies	NR	100	NR
LeBrun, 2021 ²⁸⁵	Full group	NA	164	arthroplasty	[18-80+]	NR	NR
Li, 2021 ²⁸⁸	Full group	NA	75	myasthenia gravis	IQR: 58-75	35 (45)	White
Ludwig, 2021 ²⁹¹	Full group	NA	870	diabetes	65 [57 – 72]	350 (40.2)	NR
Lun, 2020 ²⁹²	Arm 2	NA	118	interventional neuroradiology	NR	NR	NR
Lynch, 2021 ²⁹³	Full group	overall	64	mental health/recovery services	28.1 (SD, 10)	20 (31.25)	NR

Author, Year	Arm/Group	Define Arm/Group	N	Patient Health Concern/Clinical Condition	Age, Mean (95% Cl) [Range]	Female Sex, n (%)	Race/Ethnicity. n (%)
Manz, 2021 ²⁹⁷	Full group	Survey	216	prtho (foot and ankle)	50.6 [19-84]	(73.6)	NR
Margolin, 2021 ²⁹⁸	Full group	NA	96	genitourinary malignancies	IQR:61-76	18 (9)	White (77)
Melian, 2021 ³⁰⁴	Full group	NA	807	orthopedic	NR	NR	NR
Meno, 2021 ³⁰⁵	Full group	NA	212	cancer: Gastrointestinal, Hematopoietic, Genitourinary, Breast, Lung and other	NR	138 (65.1)	Asian: (61.3). Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander: (15.1). White: (23.6)
Meno, 2021 ³⁰⁵	Arm 2	audio only	73	cancer: Gastrointestinal, Hematopoietic, Genitourinary, Breast, Lung and other	NR	42 (57.5)	Asian: (69.9). Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander: (9.6). White: (20.5)
Meno, 2021 ³⁰⁵	Arm 3	audio and video	139	cancer: Gastrointestinal, Hematopoietic, Genitourinary, Breast, Lung and other	NR	96 (69.1)	Asian:(56.8). Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander: (18). White: 25.2)
Mertz, 2021 ³⁰⁶	Full group	NA	137	breast cancer survivors	[34-86]	136 (99.2)	NR
Miller, 2021 ³⁰⁷	Full group	overall	307	physical therapy	[18+]	(65)	White: (52-55) Black: (6) Asian: (16-21) Hisp/Lat: (9-10) unknown: (12-13)
Mustafa, 2020 ³¹²	Full group	NA	177	allergy/immunology	33 (IQR: 9 - 55)	115 (64.9)	NR
Mustafa, 2021 ³¹³	Full group	NA	251	allergy/immunology	Video: 29; Phone: 48	Video: 57 (58.1); Phone: 33 (71.7)	NR
Ng, 2021 ³¹⁹	Full group	Overall	6712	Medicare	[65+]	1329 (19.8)	White, Black, Hispanic, Other
Padala, 2020 ³²²	Full group	NA	118	Veterans	72.6 SD 8.3	10(8)	(68.6) White; (29.7) African American
Park, 2021 ³²⁵	Full group	NA	906	NR	[10+]	511 (56.4)	NR
Peahl, 2021 ³²⁹	Full group	overall	253	Ob/Gyn	31.2 (sd, 6.7)	253 (100)	White: (71.1) ANAI: (0.8) Asian: (4) Black: (5.5) Hap/Lat: (2)

Author, Year	Arm/Group	Define Arm/Group	N	Patient Health Concern/Clinical Condition	Age, Mean (95% CI) [Range]	Female Sex, n (%)	Race/Ethnicity. n (%)
Popova, 2021333	Full group	NA	60	hand trauma	35 [17-82]	47 (78.3)	NR
Rahman, 2021 ³³⁵	Full group	NA	98	gastro-entrology	56.98 [26-95]	47 (51.6)	NR
Rametta, 2020 ³³⁶	Arm 1	In-person encounters (2019)	14780	Child neurology outpatient	11.6	7498 (50.7)	White, Black, Asian, Other, Multiple
Rametta, 2020 ³³⁶	Arm 2	Telehealth encounters (2020)	2589	Child neurology outpatient	11.4	1308 (50.5)	White, Black, Asian, Other, Multiple
Reicher, 2021 ³³⁷	Full group	general population - survey ads were largely placed on older persons/chronic disease websites	693	Non-specific	64.21 [20-90]	398 (57.4)	NR
Reid, 2020 ³³⁸	Full group	NA	179	Pediatric ED	NR	NR	NR
Rizzi, 2020 ³⁴²	Arm 2	NA	299	Orthopedics	NR	NR	NR
Rosengard, 2021 ³⁴⁶	Full group	NA	177	epilepsy	[21-79]	120 (67.8)	Hispanic: (42.4). African American: (20.3). White: (9.6). Other: (14.1). Asian: (1.1)
Ross, 2021 ³⁴⁹	Full group	Overall	44	NR	NR	NR	NR
Rush, 2021 ³⁵⁰	Full group	Survey	185	general/mental health	49.45 (sd,14.66)	(70.6)	Caucasian: (75.3) first nation (6.1) Metis (2.5) Asian (3.2) first nation/metis/caus (4.3) Other (6.5) missing (2.2)
Sagar, 2021 ³⁵²	Full group	NA	117	colorectal surgery	56	54	NR
Sathiyaraj, 2021356	Full group	NA	70	chemotherapy	NR	67.6	NR
Scherrenberg, 2021 ³⁵⁷	Full group	NA	55	cardiac rehabilitation	65.4	21 (37)	NR

Author, Year	Arm/Group	Define Arm/Group	N	Patient Health Concern/Clinical Condition	Age, Mean (95% Cl) [Range]	Female Sex, n (%)	Race/Ethnicity. n (%)
Serafini, 2021 ³⁶²		Full group	32	Depressive Disorder, Anxiety Disorder, Post- traumatic Stress Disorder, Alcohol Use Disorder, Adjustment Disorder	[20-69]	24 (75)	Hispanic or Latino
Severe, 2020 ³⁶³	Full group	NA	244	mental health	[18-65+]	167 (68.4)	White (77.5); Black (10.7); Asian (4.5)
Shah, 2021 ³⁶⁶	Full group	NA	135	IBD	NR	NR	NR
Smithson, 2021 ³⁸¹	arm 2	NA	24	chronic conditions	[55-70+]	NR	NR
Smrke, 2020 ³⁸²	Full group	NA	108	sarcoma	[19-86]	56 (52)	White
Stifani, 2021 ³⁸⁸	Full group	NA	86	contraception	[18+]	NR	Black: (33). White: (12). Other: (55)
Tejera-Perez, 2021 ³⁹²	Full group	people with any type of diabetes (type 1 diabetes, type 2 diabetes, MODY, LADA, gestational diabetes, diabetes secondary to pancreatic insufficiency) or those caring for a person with any type of diabetes	769	Diabetes	[18-75+]	NR	NR
Tejera-Perez, 2021 ³⁹²	Arm 2	Caregivers	603	Diabetes	[18-75+]	NR	NR
Tejera-Perez, 2021392	Arm 3	Patients	166	Diabetes	[18-75+]	NR	NR
Tse, 2021 ³⁹⁵	Full group	NA	1482	NR	NR	NR	NR
Tse, 2021 ³⁹⁵	Arm 1	treatment	363	in mental health clinics and Intensive Mobile Treatment programs	NR	NR	NR
Tse, 2021 ³⁹⁵	Arm 2	outreach	225	in care coordination and several small program types	NR	NR	NR
Tse, 2021 ³⁹⁵	Arm 3	housing	894	in Treatment Apartment Program and supported housing programs	NR	NR	NR

Author, Year	Arm/Group	Define Arm/Group	N	Patient Health Concern/Clinical Condition	Age, Mean (95% CI) [Range]	Female Sex, n (%)	Race/Ethnicity. n (%)
Tse, 2021 ³⁹⁵	Arm 1	Distressed	889	Staff reported that clients were distressed (very mildly to severely) by the COVID-19 pandemic	NR	NR	NR
Tse, 2021 ³⁹⁵	Arm 2	Not distressed	593	Staff reported that clients were not distressed by the COVID-19 pandemic	NR	NR	NR
Tuijt, 2021 ³⁹⁶	arm 2	patients	30	dementia	82 [68-100]	17 (56)	White 19; Asian 4; Black 4; White Other 3
Tuijt, 2021 ³⁹⁶	arm 3	caregivers	31	dementia	spouses: 76; children: 57	20 (64)	White 18; Asian 5; Black 4; White Other 4
Tyler, 2021 ³⁹⁸	Full group	NA	2998	general	NR	NR	NR
van de Poll-Franse, 2021 ⁴⁰⁴	Full group	NA	394	cancer	NR	NR	NR
Waterland, 2021409	Full group	NA	35	cancer	59 (9)	19(54)	NR
Wolthers 2020 ⁴¹⁴	Full group	NA	103	87 (84.5%) children with atopic diseases and 16 (15.5%) with other conditions	7.9 [0.3-19.7]	35 (39.8)	NR
Yoon, 2020 ⁴¹⁷	Full group	NA	310	neurosurgery outpatient	60.89 +/- 13.6	183 (59)	NR
Zeghari, 2021 ⁴¹⁸		NA	8	Mental health	76.7 (sd: 6.12) [69- 86]	4 (50)	NR
Zhu, 2021 ⁴²⁰	arm 2	NA	187	surgery	[18-100]	97 (51.95)	American Indian or Alaska Native 1 (0.5) Asian 2 (1.1) Black or African American 42 (22.5) Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander 1 (0.5) White 119 (63.6) Not documented 24 (12.8)
Zimmerman, 2021 ¹³⁴	Arm 1	In-person	207	General	38.16	145 (70)	White 146 (70.5)
Zimmerman, 2021 ¹³⁴	Arm 2	Telehealth	207	General	35.88	152 (73.4)	White 156 (75.2)

Author, Year	Arm/Group	Define Arm/Group	N	Patient Health Concern/Clinical Condition	Age, Mean (95% Cl) [Range]	Female Sex, n (%)	Race/Ethnicity. n (%)
Zimmerman, 2021 ⁴²¹	Full group	NA	240	Mood Disorders, Anxiety Disorders, Substance Use Disorders or other mental disorders	36.23	162 (67.5)	White (74.2)
Zingone, 2020 ⁴²²	Arm 2	Veneto	167	IBD/IBS	39.1 (13.5)	76 (45.5)	NR
Zingone, 2020 ⁴²²	Arm 3	Campania	83	IBD/IBS	39.1 (14.8)	40 (42.2)	NR

CI=confidence interval; CTD=connective tissue disease; ED=emergency department; ENT=ear, nose, throat; Gp1=group1; Gp2=group2; Gyn=gynecology; IBD=irritable bowel disease; IBS=irritable bowel syndrome; IQR=interquartile range; N=sample size; NA = Not applicable, no arm or group; NR=not reported; Ob=obstetrics

Table D.16. Provider participant characteristics of studies addressing barriers and facilitators to, and satisfaction and dissatisfaction of telehealth in quantitative studies (Key Question 3)

Author, Year	Arm/Group	Define Arm/Group	N	Type of HC System	Specialty/Clinical Focus
Al Izzi, 2020 ¹³⁸	Full group	NA	9	Representative of a single large facility or organization	oral and maxillofacial
Aleboyeh, 2021 ¹³⁹	Arm 3	NA	53	Representative of a single large facility or organization	epilepsy
Alkureeishi, 2021 ¹⁴⁰	Department of Pediatrics	Department of Pediatrics	65	NR	Physician and Advanced practice provider
Alkureeishi, 2021 ¹⁴⁰	Department of Medicine	Department of Medicine	135	NR	Physician and Advanced practice provider
Banks, 2021 ¹⁴⁹	Arm 3	NA	146	Nationally representative	epilepsy
Barsom, 2021 ¹⁵²	Full group	NA	87	NR	Medical specialist, Paramedic, Psychosocial worker, Resident, Specialized nurse
Barth, 2021 ¹⁵³	Arm 2	Physicians	8	NR	physician
Barth, 2021 ¹⁵³	Therapists	Therapists	6	NR	therapist
Bate, 2021 ¹⁵⁵	Arm 4	NA	62	Representative of a single large facility or organization	NR
Bate, 2021 ¹⁵⁵	Arm 5	NA	188	Representative of a single large facility or organization	NR
Bate, 2021 ¹⁵⁵	Arm 6	NA	161	Representative of a single large facility or organization	NR
Belcher, 2021 ¹⁵⁶	Full group	Overall	16	NR	Tertiary pediatric otolaryngology practice
Bennell, 2021 ¹⁵⁸	Arm 2	NA	207	NR	Physiotherapy
Bommersbach, 2021 ¹⁶²	Survey	Survey	99	Representative of a single large facility or organization	Mental health
Bos, 2021 ¹⁶³	Full group	NA	75	NR	Rheumatology
Boyarsky, 2020 ¹⁶⁴	Full group	NA	69	NR	transplant surgeons and physicians
Bryne, 2021 ¹⁶⁹	Arm 3	NA	62	Representative of a single large facility or organization	Orthodontics
Chen, 2021 ¹⁷⁸	Arm 3	NA	8	Representative of a single large facility or organization	Arthroplasty
Dramburg, 2021 ²⁰⁰	Full group	NA	71	NŘ	neuro-oncology
Fieux, 2020 ²⁰⁶	Arm 3	NA	4		
Finn, 2021 ²⁰⁸	Arm 2	NA	26	Representative of a single large facility or Integrative Medicine organization	
Ghazala, 2021 ²²²	Arm 3	NA	NR	NR Large/Regionally representative Ophthalmology	
Goh, 2021 ²²⁶	Full group	NA	18	NR	NR
Hertling, 2021 ²⁴³	Full group	Survey	702	NR	Sports medicine

Author, Year	Arm/Group	Define Arm/Group	N	Type of HC System	Specialty/Clinical Focus
Humer, 2020 ²⁴⁶	Full group	NA	1547	NR Mental health	
Hyung, 2021 ²⁴⁹	Full group	Overall	14	NR Neurosurgical care	
Israilov, 2020 ²⁵³	Full group		20	Representative of a single large facility or organization	Palliative care
lyer, 2021 ²⁵⁵	providers	providers	12	Representative of a single large facility or organization	geriatrics
Johnsen, 2021 ²⁶²	Full group	NA	1237	NR	Rhinologists
Kaufman, 2021 ²⁶⁹	Full group	NA	300	NR	Nutrition
Kenney, 2021 ²⁷¹	Full group	NA	81	NR	providers for childhood cancer survivors
Kippen, 2020 ²⁷²	Full group	NA	572	NR	general practitioners
Klamroth-Marganska, 2021 ²⁷³	occupational therapists	occupational therapists	432	NR	occupational therapists
Klamroth-Marganska, 2021 ²⁷³	midwives	midwives	501	NR	midwives
Korecka, 2020 ²⁷⁵	Full group	NA	237	NR	Neurology
Lapadula, 2021 ²⁸²	Full group	NA	8	NR	neonatologists
Lee, 2021 ²⁸⁶	Full group	Overall	160	NR	Pediatric gastroenterology
Lun, 2020 ²⁹²	Arm 3	NA	6	Representative of a single large facility or organization	interventional neuroradiology
Margolin, 2021 ²⁹⁸	Full group	NA	46	NR	urologists and oncologists
Mohammed, 2021 ³⁰⁸	Full group	NA	207	NR	Primary care (wide, full-range care)
Mrugala, 2021 ³¹⁰	Full group	NA	582	NR	Parkinson's Study Group
Parikh, 2021 ³²⁴	Full group	Overall	89	Limited study of less than above	Psychologists
Park, 2021 ³²⁵	Nurses	Nurses	100	NR	medical (46%) and surgical (54%)
Park, 2021 ³²⁵	Doctors	Doctors	55	NR	medical (43.6%) and surgical (56.4%)
Patt, 2021 ³²⁸	Full group	NA	NR	Large/Regionally representative	General
Peahl, 2021 ³²⁹	Full group	NA	77	Representative of a single large facility or organization	OB/gyn
Pogorzelska-Maziarz, 2021 ³³¹	Arm 3	NA	10	Representative of a single large facility or organization	home based care
Pooni, 2021 ³³²	Full group	NA	223	NŘ	Rheumatologists
Puteikis, 2021 ³³⁴	Adult neurologists	Adult neurologists	74	NR	Neurology
Puteikis, 2021 ³³⁴	Pediatric neurologists	Pediatric neurologists	30	NR	Neurology
Puteikis, 2021334	Full group	NA	104	NR	Neurology
Rizzi, 2020 ³⁴²	Arm 3	NA	12	Representative of a single large facility or organization	Orthopedic surgery
Sagar, 2021 ³⁵²	Full group	NA	15		
Salehi, 2020353	Full group	Overall	100	NR	Plastic surgery

Author, Year	Arm/Group	Define Arm/Group	N	Type of HC System	Specialty/Clinical Focus
Saliba-Gustafsson, 2020 ³⁵⁴	First 50 C19 positive patients	First 50 C19 positive patients	30	Representative of a single large facility or organization	Neuro
Shivkumar, 2021 ³⁶⁸	Full group	Overall	133	Nationally representative	General practitioners
Silver, 2021 ³⁷¹	Full group	NA	22	representative of a single large facility or organization	Primary care (wide, full-range care)
Singh, 2021373	Full group	NA	103	Large/Regionally representative	rheumatology
Smith, 2021 ³⁷⁹	Full group	NA	43	NR	allergists
Smrke, 2020 ³⁸²	Full group	NA	18	NR	(4 consultants, 4 clinical research fellows, 4 residents), and the remainder were nurses (2 nurse specialists, 4 research nurses)
Venville, 2021 ⁴⁰⁶	Arm 3	NA	8	Representative of a single large facility or organization	mental health
Wang, 2021 ⁴⁰⁸	US practitioners	US practitioners	165	NR	Mental health
Wang, 2021 ⁴⁰⁸	Chinese practitioners	Chinese practitioners	164	64 NR Mental health	
Wilhite, 2021412	Public facility	Public facility	58	8 NR allergists	
Wilhite, 2021412	Private facility	Private facility	64	64 NR NR	
Zhang, 2020 ⁴¹⁹	Full group	NA	51	Representative of a single large facility or organization	Cancer/Radiation oncologists

HC=healthcare=sample size; N=sample size; NA + not applicable, no arm or group; NR=not reported

Author, Year	Arm/Group	Define Arm/Group	N	Patient Health Concern/Clinical Condition	Age, Mean (95% CI)	Female Sex, n (%)	Race/Ethnicity. n (%)
Bate, 2021 ¹⁵⁵	Arm 3	•	685	Children (<18)	NR		Not reported
Bryne, 2021 ¹⁶⁹	Arm 2		59	Orthodontics	NR	37 (63)	Not reported
Gately, 2021 ²¹⁸	Full group	patients- caregiver dyads	14	cognitive impairment	77.5 [70-98]	0 (0)	White
Kazi, 2021 ⁶⁴	Full group	Överall	Numbe r of visits: 2632	Dermatology patients	39.4	1789 (67.9)	Not reported
Kazi, 2021 ⁶⁴	Arm 2	Asynchronous visits	Numbe r of visits: 951	Dermatology patients	35.3	651 (69.5)	Not reported
Kazi, 2021 ⁶⁴	Arm 3	Synchronous visits	Numbe r of visits: 1672	Dermatology patients	41.8	1129 (67.5)	Not reported
Masi, 2021 ³⁰²	Full group	NA	302	neurodevelopmental disabilities	NR	NR	Not reported
Pogorzelska-Maziarz, 2021 ³³¹	Arm 4	Caregivers	5	chronic disease	60 [44-81]	4 (80%)	White (100)
Zorron, 2021 ⁴²³	arm 2	phone	217	endoscopy	IQR: 51-71	131 (60.4)	not reported
Zorron, 2021 ⁴²³	arm 3	video	94	endoscopy	IQR: 48-67	43 (45.7)	not reported
Zorron, 2021 ⁴²³	arm 4	doctors		NR		NR	NR

 Table D.17. Other population participant characteristics of studies addressing barriers and facilitators to, and satisfaction and dissatisfaction of telehealth in quantitative studies (Key Question 3)

CI=confidence interval; IQR=interquartile range; NA = not applicable, no arm or group; N=sample size

Author, Year	Author Defined Theme
Adams, 2021 ¹³⁷	Method of telehealth delivery
	Availability of services during COVID-19 pandemic
	Mixed model clinic structure (telehealth and face-to-face clinic simultaneously run)
	Physical examination requirements
	Logistics
	Difficulty communicating
	Relationship between patient and clinician
	Disease progression
	Privacy
	Vulnerable populations
	Patients living with a disability
Alkureeishi, 2021 ¹⁴⁰	Provide technical support for patients
	Provide technology access for patients
	Provide clinic staff support to prepare patients for visits
	Streamline scheduling processes and video visit workflows
	Establish learner workflows
	Video visit limitations and utility for certain types of appointments
	Provide teaching training for preceptors
	Provide more time within telehealth teaching schedules
	Video visit experiences have been positive, and are useful for many clinicians and patients.
Alpert, 2022 ¹⁴²	reducing patients' travel time and expenses,
	Challenge to Meet Expectations About Appointment Times
Anghelescu, 2021 ¹⁴³	Virtual Medicine: Facilitators
	Virtual Medicine: Barriers
	Absence of Motor Examination
	Worsening of Motor Symptoms
	Worsening of Non-Motor Symptoms
	Health Care Uncertainty
	Health Care Limitations
	Virtual Medicine: Recommendations
Antoun, 2021 ¹⁴⁴	the use of video conferencing would be more beneficial than a telephone call, as it allows the use of nonverbal communication
	expressed dislike for the formality of telephone appointments and the lost elements of nonverbal communication when utilizing
	telemedicine
	expressed support for the use of telemedicine and described positive experiences they have had utilizing remote medicine
	within their clinical care
Ashcroft, 2021 ¹⁴⁶	Limited access to technology
	Challenges in rural and remote communities
	Rapid transformation to virtual care
	Impact on quality care

Table D.18. Author defined barriers and facilitators identified in qualitative studies (Key Question 3)

Author Defined Theme
i) virtual care will continue for some patients and for some types of appointments and
ii) virtual care will change practice;
iii) virtual care is dependent on provider preferences;
iv) the advancements in virtual care requires continuation of physician billing code
The prerequisites for proper use of videoconferencing methods affect experiences
The compulsory context created by the COVID-19 pandemic
The changes experienced in specific components of pain rehabilitation
The overarching changes experienced, including both opportunities and limitations.
Stability of condition.
Convenience.
Concentration and appointment flow.
Similarities to face- to-face appointments.
Video appointments.
Preference for face-to-face.
increasing access and engagement for some families.
limited resources, such as Internet access or equipment (headsets, toys)
the benefit of applying the treatment skills within the home setting
challenges with delivering the treatment protocol via telehealth
the inability of elderly people to use a VC and the dependence on an appropriate internet connection
the use of VC might be difficult for specific patient groups such as patients with low digital literacy, the elderly, patients with low
socio-economic status and non-native speakers.
Related concerns included the inability to perform physical examination and the impact on the patient-healthcare provider relationship by the lack of physical contact
when using VC for psycho-social purposes, such as psychiatric care, it should first be considered if the home environment can be considered a safe place for patients
Considering the use of technology, the usability is considered high.
The most frequently mentioned concerns were the lack of digital literacy in patients and lack of physical contact.
The absence of wanted functionalities such as a virtual waiting room or a chat function leads to challenges in the workflow.
Residents specifically reported wanting the option for supervisors to dial-in to allow direct supervision during the VC. VC can be a valuable supplement to care, but the value was dependent on the reason for consultation
considering the additional value of visual cues and the ability to use inspection and read emotions, healthcare providers are satisfied with the use of VC

Author, Year	Author Defined Theme
Barth, 2021 ¹⁵³	Limited possibilities to prevent technical difficulties on both sides
	Challenge to set up the camera framing the whole body
	Independence of location allows to offer Complementary and Integrative Medicine (CIM) consultations to COVID-19-risk
	patients and patients being unable to travel
	Time flexibility
	Increased chances that relatives can be involved in a consultation
	Patients can directly set up a place of relaxation at home
	Some patients are generally more relaxed in their familiar environment than in the clinic
	Space for implementation of movement exercises can be directly checked and discussed at patients' homes
	Time saving and independence of location when informing about medicinal plants, teas, etc.
	Patients' eating environment and food (products) used can be directly checked and discussed at patients' homes
	Restricted assessment of the patients' overall presence possible
	More preparation and time required because of the limited access to the body language of the conversational partner
	Therapeutic touch is impossible
	Challenge to transfer group treatments into the digital space, especially regarding group exchange and dynamics
	Disturbances at home
	Risk that patients have difficulties coming back from deep trance
	an emergency protocol must be set up before the treatment for Patients with specific mental health problems (e.g., trauma,
	dissociation)
	Complex movement sequences are almost impossible to demonstrate and execute
	Assessment of execution of exercises is difficult
	Hands-on alignment of postures is impossible
	Instruction of acupressure techniques is challenging
	Application of naturopathic poultice and pads impossible, instruction is difficult
	The nutritional advice kit normally used in face-to-face consultation cannot be used in the digital setting
Ben-Ayre, 2021 ¹⁵⁷	Many patients were concerned that online technological aspects would be too difficult
	The narratives of IO practitioners addressed barriers to and
	challenges facing the provision of guidance during the online
	treatment process
	Patients were also worried about not being able to discuss the treatment with the IO practitioner in person
	They were also worried about creating a quiet treatment setting in their home without distractions, or other factors preventing
	them from learning or performing the self-administered treatments
	Despite the many challenges which online IO treatment presents, many patients reported a beneficial effect
	These non-specific effects of treatment became more apparent
	as patients became actively involved by learning and self administering the treatments at home
	Despite these difficulties, many IO practitioners described
	a sense of creativity in their ability to design what they referred
	to as a new "online integrative toolbox."
	IO practitioners also described how patients unfamiliar
	with or wary of the online process eventually became interested,
	even enthusiastic, about the process
	One of the barriers identified by practitioners was the difficulty
	inmoving treatments from the in-person clinical setting
	in the oncology department to the patients' home

Author, Year	Author Defined Theme
Bennell, 2021 ¹⁵⁸	What things helped you the most to deliver physiotherapy care via
	telehealth? Good technology set up
	What barriers did you experience
	delivering physiotherapy care
	via telehealth? Technology issues
	What things helped you the most to deliver physiotherapy care via
	telehealth? Using patient resources
	What things helped you the most to deliver physiotherapy care via
	telehealth? Preparing ahead of the appt
	What things helped you the most to deliver physiotherapy care via
	telehealth? Patient willingness and engagement
	What safety issues did you
	experience delivering care
	via telehealth? Unsupervised exercise/incorrect technique
	What barriers did you experience
	delivering physiotherapy care
	via telehealth? Lack of physical touch
	What safety issues did you
	experience delivering care
	via telehealth? Difficult to assess thoroughly
	What barriers did you experience
	delivering physiotherapy care
	via telehealth? Poor room setup
	What safety issues did you
	experience delivering care
	via telehealth? Falls risk
Bethel, 2021 ¹⁵⁹	Ways to Improve
Bothol, 2021	Timing in Terms of How Long the Visit Was
	Privacy and Confidentiality
	Continuum of Acceptance of Telehealth
	Benefits or Detractors
Birkhoff, 2021 ¹⁶¹	Those who did not prefer the VNV to in-person visits mentioned difficulties using technology, taking their own vitals, feeling like
	it was hard to hear during the VNV, or an overall preference for in-person encounters
	perceived safety with virtual nurse visit (VNV) during COVID-19
	Trialability, complexity, and compatibility
	it would be helpful if the complexity of connecting to the virtual platform and Wi-Fi connectivity issues could be resolved.
	Another area of satisfaction among participants was the ability to discuss their concerns with their telehealth nurse. The
	consistency of having the same telehealth nurse at each VNV was also appreciated
	Participants emphasized that they liked being able to see the nurse and perceived greater accessibility regarding scheduling
	Visits
Bommersbach, 2021 ¹⁶²	While current technology is not perceived as adequate to fully satisfy patient care needs, staff are finding new clinical
	applications for technology
	Telehealth and teleconferencing provides benefits to both staff and patients but some patients are not served well by it

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Bos, 2021 ¹⁶³	Flexibility in consultations
	No physical examination
	Difficult to estimate disease activity
	No personal interaction with patients
	No crowded waiting rooms
	Not suitable for all patients
	Through apps possible to draw attention to important aspects of disease or treatment
	Poor availability of patients by phone
	No difference in payment of remote and physical consultations
	Many decision moments while insufficient information available
	Continued willingness of organization to speed up ehealth
	More often use of telephone consultations, replacing physical contacts
	Eye-opener for patients
	Patient-friendly, no travel time, no need to mobilize family for travels
	Combination of telephone consultations and electronic PROM
	Full day telephone or video consultations is exhausting
Boydell, 2021 ¹⁶⁵	The 'step-by-step' approach staff took in explaining the process was valued; participants emphasized that information was
	presented clearly, without use of medicalized language, and that ample time was provided to ask questions
	Several benefits of the telemedicine service relating to access were articulated: ease of access, timeliness, and convenience
	and flexibility
	Some participants noted that the telephone consultation allowed them to write notes, without concerns about being observed.
	The benefits of the consultation taking place at 'home', a familiar space where many participants felt more comfortable and 'at
	ease', were highlighted.
	Conducting the consultation by telephone alleviated concerns about 'visibility' and being judged by others, or about breaches of
	anonymity and confidentiality.
	some participants noted privacy challenges with the telephone consultation
	When asked hypothetically about the option of having a video consultation, participants reported a preference for a telephone consultation. For some, this was linked to the issue of visibility described earlier; not wanting to be visible to those providing the
	service.
	All participants described their experience of the telephone consultation as positive, and as good as in-person care, with regard
	to communication, building rapport and information sharing.
Burton, 2022 ¹⁷⁰	Some changes to the practice model were prompted by patient feedback, including negatively perceived online reviews:
	Providers learned to be proactive and anticipate future challenges and difficulties so they could plan accordingly to remediate
	them or reduce their negative impact.
Butt, 2022 ¹⁷¹	flexible models of delivery
Bradfield, 2021 ¹⁶⁶	changes to midwifery practice
Brown Johnson, 2021 ¹⁶⁷	The virtual physical examination
DIOWIT JUIIIISUII, ZUZ I	The patient-surgeon relationship: Connection and Trust
	Satisfaction: travel and Access - scheduling
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Author, Year	Author Defined Theme
Brunton, 2021 ¹⁶⁸	Not all patients have access to technology needed for telehealth
	Lack of information technology (IT) departments' support for high-quality RDN visits; technical issues with video/audio
	connections
	Care involves extra work to check each patient's health plan coverage
	Solution suggested: Designate one person to validate coverage/billing codes for all nutrition telehealth visits
	Inability to conduct complete NFPE * via telehealth, especially if limited to audio-only consultation
	Inability to have direct patient contact, see patients face-to-face, or physically assess nutrition status
	Telehealth nutrition payment guidelines remain unclear
	Telehealth services may require additional staff
	Solution suggested: Pre-screen patients to determine if good candidate for telehealth visit
	Solution suggested: Create guiding "scripts" for RDNs for optimal telehealth visits
	Solution suggested: Send patient educational materials ahead of time to facilitate review during telehealth visit
	Solution suggested: With patient's permission, engage family members to help with scheduling, technical issues, nutrition
	education, and patient adherence to recommendations
	Lack of connectivity and/or patient-user skills limit care for some
	Solution suggested: Schedule call ahead of telehealth visit to walk patient through navigating portal (which IT can also support)
	Positive Perceptions: Provides RDNs with an opportunity to "look into" a patient's refrigerator/pantry to better understand home
	environment and diet
	Positive Perceptions: Patients more likely to keep appointments
	Positive Perceptions: Patients do not have to travel, find parking, or sit in waiting rooms
	Positive Perceptions: Staff members able to continue seeing full caseload of outpatients during pandemic quarantine
	Positive Perceptions: Allows Registered Dietitian Nutritionists (RDNs) to provide timely patient services while patients remain
	safe at home
Byrnes, 2020 ¹⁷²	Expressions about
Bymes, 2020	the use of virtual
	visits with
0 - march - 11) (0004173	patients
Campbell-Yeo, 2021 ¹⁷³	awareness of resources
	building and maintaining relationships between family and healthcare providers.
	standardized COVID-19 messaging
Cartledge, 2022 ¹⁷⁴	resuming in-person programmes
	Capacity for multi-modal delivery
	Telehealth capacity: Staff time
	Telehealth capacity: Physical space
	Continuation of telehealth model of CR and to continue telehealth to sustain increased rea
Change, 2021 ¹⁷⁷	to remain reimbursable for providersto be able to provide ongoing support and care topatients without compromising
	thefinancial stabilityof health care organizations.
	providers desired changes to telemedicine platform
	Second, providers cited a need forfinancial assis-tance for organizations to obtain the technologiesnecessary to implement
	telemedicine successfully.
	city- and commu-nity-level initiatives

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Clair, 2021 ¹⁷⁹	Participants suggested providing technical instruction or assistance to improve adoption of virtual care for elderly clients and
	others who struggled with this technology and training for staff so they could provide such support.
	there remains a "digital divide" across socioeconomic strata (i.e., homeless-experienced veterans are less likely to use health
	information technology) and disparities in virtual care use plague certain under-resourced groups.
	Respondents had mixed feelings about the virtual care offered by the medical center
	The abrupt transition from in-person SUD groups to virtual or small-group meetings also proved difficult for participants.
Cole, 2021 ¹⁸⁰	technology issues
	safety concerns
	pandemic-related goals
	benefits of telehealth
	drawbacks to telehealth
Collins, 2020 ¹⁸¹	Transitions to Telehealth
Cook, 2021 ¹⁸²	The attendance was higher than any previous group and all parents stated that they would recommend the online group to a
	friend
	Parents commented on the benefits of the program, including the immediacy of applying the model
	During the post-group interviews parents described the positive improvements in their relationship with their children
	The facilitator experienced online delivery as more challenging than in-person, with some unanticipated issues.
	Although a smaller group may make a difference, the facilitator thought that this was not likely because of the constraints
	imposed by the technology on the spontaneity and flow of conversation.
	The facilitator also found it difficult to monitor the facial expressions and body language of individual participants when the
	video material was being shared on screen because of the minimized screens (and thus the size of participants' faces).
	During weekly supervision, the therapist expressed her sense that she may not be getting the key messages through to
	specific participants.
	The facilitator reflected that the online format mitigated the tendency for participants to look to the leader as an expert and seek
	opinions on what to do in particular situations.
	This result was better than our attendance rates for face-to-face groups, as illness in children and participants is the main
	cause of missed sessions
Cooper, 2021 ¹⁸³	Retaining independence and social connectedness
	Adapting social connectedness in the face of the pandemic
	Managing social connections within and through the group intervention
Cormi, 2021 ¹⁸⁴	Teleconsultation as a tool to limit follow-up interruptions.
	Specific feedback from the anesthesiology department.
	Improvements of an existing outpatient teleconsultations program.
Costa, 2021 ¹⁸⁵	accessibility to care

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Courtney, 2021 ¹⁸⁶	Technical issues
	Administrative points
	Non-verbal communication
	Telephone conversations
	Difficult consultations
	Improved patient experience
	Triage
	Lack of examination
	Unconfident clinicians
	Efficiency
	Clinician satisfaction
	Added value of video
	Utilization of tele-neurology
	Sustainability
Cronin, 2020 ¹⁸⁷	Hearing difficulties, language barriers and technical issues were reported as potential or actual concerns
	Diagnostic accuracy was highlighted as a concern for both clinicians and patients due to inherent inability to conduct a
	traditional clinical examination,
	Individual needs and circumstance
	The logistics of an appointment
Dahl-Popolizio, 2020 ¹⁸⁸	technical issues
	increases access to care
	lack of personal contact
	parent/caregiver involvement improves effectiveness
	not effective with all populations
	effective for occupational therapy delivery
	telehealth should be a permanent option for patients/caregivers
Davoodi, 2021 ¹⁹¹	Emergency medicine physicians shared that telehealth should continue to have a place in emergency care as a supplement,
	rather than a replacement, for in-person care
	Most emergency medicine physicians did not report that telehealth platforms were difficult to use despite varying degrees of
	training received, technological literacy, and prior experience
DeGuzman, 2022 ²³²	Existence of business and financial pressures in general practice
	COVID-19 as a driver for telehealth reimbursement and adoption
DePuccio, 2022 ¹⁹³	Interviewees elaborated on the new responsibilities of MAs and nurses in preparing patients for virtual visits, which prior to the
	COVID-19 pandemic, r
	Repurposed: Physicians describing the changing roles and responsibilities of staff to support telemedicine
DerMartirosian, 2021 ⁴²⁴	implementation of teleheath services
	Telehealth Scheduling

Author, Year	Author Defined Theme
Di Lalla, 2021 ¹⁹⁴	Staff
	Clinic Organization
	Health Concerns
	Emotional State
	Communication
	Treatment Procedures
	Waiting
	Other Specialists
	Generic Sentiments
Di Lorito, 2021 ¹⁹⁵	using tele-rehabilitation would depend on assessment of a person's physical, as well as digital ability
	there might be risks in progressing exercises or activities through video consultation for clients who might be at risk of falling:
	tele-rehabilitation worked better with the presence/support of someone in the home during the video calling
	the caregiver was key for successful video coaching, as they would facilitate the set-up and help to operate the system
	To be able to work more effectively through tele-rehabilitation, another requirement was having previously established good
	rapport with the client
	therapists could not challenge participants who lived independently to the same extent they would normally during home visits
	impossibility to progress participants towards goals which required their physical presence that tele-rehabilitation could be an integrated part of a hybrid delivery package, after the initial visits are (ideally) made through
	home visits
	the digital divide between older and younger generations makes older participants with dementia less able to learn and interact
	through digital media
	when the team were trying to explain to the participants how to install the programme or how to operate it, they would get very
	frustrated if they could not do it
	proposed ideas for making the platform more dementia-friendly
	The majority of participants felt that video calling was more valuable than no support at all or phone consultations.
DiGiovanni, 2021 ¹⁹⁶	operational adjustments
,	affordances and limitations of virtual work
Donovan, 2021 ¹⁹⁸	improved access to care
	Unmet needs
	security and privacy
	Personalization of care
	Patient empowerment
Dozieres-Puyravel, 2021 ¹⁹⁹	absence of physical examination or the absence of possibility to perform some investigations
	gain of time
	absence of travel to the hospital
	absence of concern related to their child (missing school, stress or worsening of the behavior difficulties at the hospital)
	TC is particularly adapted to the COVID-19 situation

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Due, 2021 ²⁰¹	Reorganizing consultations
	Consultation content and form
	Relational and nonverbal limitations
	The clinical assessment and treatment
	Technical limitations
	Choice between video and telephone consultation
	Choice between face-to-face and video/telephone consultations
Edge, 2021 ²⁰²	the most frequently cited difficulties were concerns about whether telehealth would deliver the same quality of care as a
	physical examination.
	concerns about privacy
Evans, 2021 ²⁰⁴	telehealth was associated with convenience
	it substantially compromised their healthcare, resulting in their care 'falling through the cracks', less thorough exams, missed
	diagnoses, and discomfort in discussing symptoms over the phone
	Telehealth suited some needs (e.g., prescriptions), but was a poor substitute when physical interaction was necessary
Feijt, 2020 ²⁰⁵	Insufficient technological infrastructure
,	Lacking organizational and procedural support
	Convenience and efficiency
	Improved client contact
	Additional information home environment
	Client (un)suitability
	Sufficient technological resources
	Supplementary software features
	Technological and procedural support
	Mediated communication issues
Filippi, 2021 ²⁰⁷	Financial Strain: lost telehealth reimbursements and revenue
	challenges with telehealth start-up
Finn, 2021 ²⁰⁸	technology difficulties
, -	telehealth as a means to improve equity/expand access
	Telehealth impact on interpersonal connection
	improved ease of completing visits
	telehealth improves comfort
	telehealth as acceptable
	Perspectives on the translation to telehealth of movement/manual work and group classes
Franzosa, 2021 ²¹¹	emotional support for staff
- Tan 2000, 202 T	outreach and assessment
	maintaining trusting patient-provider relationships
	building team connection
	balancing virtual and in-person care
Franzosa, 2021 ²¹²	Flexibility of Telehealth Platforms Was Necessary for Success
····, -··	Use of video telehealth is limited by patient, clinical, and technological factors
	Video telehealth is a substitute for human touch—but only temporarily
	Benefits of Video Visits: Improving Efficiency, Capacity, and Collaboration

Author, Year	Author Defined Theme
Frayn, 2021 ²¹³	Tele-therapy may be hindered by logistical or technical concerns
	Tele-therapy is perceived as more impersonal than in-person therapy
	Tele-therapy makes treatment accessible for those who would be otherwise unable to attend
	Tele-therapy is convenient and facilitates attendance and engagement
	Tele-therapy was positively perceived by the majority of participants
Frey, 2022 ⁴²⁵	Cost
	Adaptations
Gabe-Walters, 2021 ²¹⁷	Quality of assessment (information and self-report)
	Minimizing the risk of COVID-19 transmission
	Supporting timely lymphoedema care.
	Complexity of lymphoedema
	promoting value based healthcare
	Patient-centered care.
Gefen 2021 ²²⁰	Technical issues (e.g., regarding ease of use, learning curve of therapists and patients)
	Collaboration with other therapists/parents/young people (e.g., lack of "water fountain" time)
	Continuity of rehabilitation process (e.g., challenges in developing rapport compared to in-person sessions)
	Physical setting of focusing on available resources and where therapist or child were (home or hospital) (e.g., safety of setting,
	available therapy modalities)
	Boundaries (between patients and therapists, between work hours and non-work hours)
	Technical issues (e.g., regarding ease of use, learning curve of therapists and patients)
	Collaboration with other therapists/parents/young people (e.g., lack of "water fountain" time)
	Continuity of rehabilitation process (e.g., challenges in developing rapport compared to in-person sessions)
	Physical setting of focusing on available resources and when therapist at home or hospital (e.g., safety of setting, available
	therapy modalities)
	Boundaries (between patients and therapists, between work hours and non-work hours)
Gergerich, 2020 ²²¹	barriers to accessing telehealth services in hospice care
Gilbert, 2021 ²²³	risks to the patient and clinician resulting from the VC interaction
	the process of protecting individuals for whom we care
	risks resulting from data loss or data breaches because of the VC
	interaction
	relating to indemnification between the patient and the clinician
	potentially resulting from their VC interaction
Goddard, 2020 ²²⁴	Satisfaction (general)
	Altering Telehealth Delivery
	Launching Telehealth
Godfrey, 2021 ²²⁵	Implementation factors outside the clinic site
	Implementation factors from inside the clinic site
	Characteristics of clinic site champions
Goldberg, 2021 ²²⁷	Use cases and the mix of telehealth and in-person visits were physician- and specialty-specific
0	Physician reported challenges to using telehealth with older adult patients and strategies to overcome barriers
	Telehealth uptake was rapid, disorganized, and iterative
	Physicians embraced telehealth use as a safe work-around during COVID-19

Author, Year	Author Defined Theme
Gomez, 2021 ²²⁸	Telemedicine Improves Patient Access to Care but Leaves Out Some Groups
	Seeing Patient Homes and Families during Telemedicine Visits Enhances Patient Care
	Physicians Believe Many Visits Are Well Suited for Telemedicine
	Physicians Lament the Lack of "Personal Connections" and Touch during Telemedicine Visits
	Physicians Feel More Comfortable Refusing Patient Requests during Telemedicine Visits
	Insurer Reimbursement for Telemedicine Can Reduce Physician Burden
	Lack of Physical Examination Can Be Problematic for Diagnosis and Treatment of Certain Conditions
	Telemedicine Visits Tend to Be Shorter than inPerson Visits
	Careful Consideration of Physician Workflows Is Needed to Avoid Burnout
Granberg, 2021 ²²⁹	Technology-related challenges
	COVID-19 considerations (e.g., Reduced exposure)
	Less thorough and more rushed
	Limitations of video visits
	Decreased human connection
	Lack of patient privacy
	Improved patient convenience and experience
Gullslett, 2021 ²³¹	VC affects therapists 'work situation—opportunities and challenges in working conditions
	challenges of VC when performing professional assessment and therapy on the screen
	VC—"it's better than nothing"
Haase, 2021 ²³³	Greater technology integration and support
Hall-Mills, 2022 ²³⁴	patient/student/family engagement
Handley, 2022 ²³⁶	Provider Comfort and Willingness to Engage in Video Visits
Hao, 2021 ²³⁷	Despite the challenges of telepractice, nine out of the ten clinicians hoped that telepractice would continue to be an option for
	future speech-language services
	However, they noted various issues, such as insurance coverage and child client engagement, that need to be addressed to
	advance telepractice development. Moreover, they perceived telepractice to increase access to speech-language services for
	underserved populations, such as people residing in rural communities.
Hardy, 2021 ²³⁸	Challenges related to conducting teletherapy with couples
	Recommendations from participants
	Rewards and unforeseen advantages
Heiskanen, 2021 ²⁴⁰	The findings show that TR may not be appropriate for clients with complex diseases and health situations that require a great
Heiskanen, 2021 ²⁴⁰	variety of health services.
	the lack of motivation
	Shared challenges were use and distribution of materials and physical exercises and activities and working with emotions
	Initiating Tele-Rehabilitation
	Lack of support and lack of interpretation services
	flexible schedules also as a challenge, as longer workdays and changing schedules caused burden and mixing home and work
	affairs
	The professionals' well-being at work during TR
	Interaction during TR
	TR in the everyday life environment
Hersch, 2022 ²⁴²	concerns about privacy
Heyck Lee, 2022 ²⁸⁷	Cost

Author, Year	Author Defined Theme
Hlubocky, 2021 ²⁴⁴	Financial concerns, compensations, practice health, and telemedicine
Hunter, 2021 ²⁴⁷	Risks of tele-health
Hunter, 2021 ²⁴⁸	Theme: urine toxicology screening procedures varied substantially and changed over time
	Theme: telemedicine modality (i.e., phone or video) varied depending on patient and clinician factors
	Theme: OTPs initially faced logistical challenges with telemedicine use
	Theme: methadone dispensing procedures changed at most OTPs; some OTPs expressed concern about patient risk and liability
	Theme: most OTPs offered telemedicine services either for medication management and/or psychosocial services
	Theme: most clinicians thought service delivery changes—primarily telemedicine—are desired and sustainable, but there are financial limitations
	Theme: most OTPs offered telemedicine services either for medication management and/or psychosocial services
	Theme: despite perceived negative impacts on quality, some participants noted benefits of the new service delivery changes
	Theme: clinicians perceived that patients generally found telemedicine acceptable
	Theme: most clinicians thought that changes in service delivery had a negative impact of the quality of care
Imlach, 2020 ²⁵¹	Technological barriers
	Need to be seen in person
	Views on value
	convenience
	Relationships
	Patient preferences
Isautier, 2020 ²⁵²	issues with obtaining Rx and pathology results
	inability to be physically examined
	communication not as effective as face to face
	Limitations with Tech
	additional burden of complex care
	reduced confidence in docs
lyer, 2021 ²⁵⁵	Technology set-up and usability
10.6	Satisfaction with visit
James, 2021 ⁴²⁶	preparedness
Jassil, 2022 ²⁵⁸	having a device with larger screen (e.g., desktop, laptop or tablet), a minimum internet bandwidth and instruction for them to follow.
	As a result, these participants felt that having access to the tele-exercise classes provided them with the much-needed support
	to engage in physical activity and helped to increase their motivation to keep active during this challenging period
	The tele-exercise classes gave them something to look forward to and enabled them to interact with others, as well as expand
	their social networks, which appeared to help them cope with the social isolation caused by the pandemic
	One of the advantages of tele-exercise classes that was reported by a few participants was feeling less self-conscious and
	intimidated by their peers, compared to attending in-person classes at the gym. These participants did not feel they were being
	judged because of their physical limitations or feel they were in competition with others in the tele-exercise classes
Javanparast, 2021 ²⁵⁹	GP services
	specialist services
	allied health services
	dental care services
	pharmacy services

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Javanparast, 2021 ²⁶⁰	Access to general practice services and management of health conditions
	Experience of telehealth services
	Opportunity for face-to-face consultations
	Continuation of telehealth services
Jimenez-Rodriguez, 2020 ²⁶¹	Difficulties in the
	Implementation of Video
	Consultations
	Skills Needed to Hold a Video
	Consultation and Training is
	Needed
	Benefits of Video
	Consultations
	Negative Aspects
Johnson, 2021 ²⁶³	inadequate resources
	digital exclusion
	impacts on communication and therapeutic relationships
	efficiency of remote working
	best alternative for now
	benefits for some clients
	service user preferences
Joughin, 2021 ²⁶⁴	barriers to adequate assessment: need for examination
	barriers to adequate assessment: hearing impairment
	barriers to adequate assessment: cognitive impairment
	positive comments: saved trips and gained all information and developed rapport
Kang, 2020 ²⁶⁶	Video consultations were found to be less effective for new orbital patients who require comprehensive assessment in order to
	reach a provisional diagnosis.
	video consultations were particularly useful to see follow-up and post-operative patients, and to more accurately triage and
	consult new referrals
	The resolution of the video image was satisfactory to assess eyelid position and movement, periocular swelling, and hue,
	chemosis, ocular motility (including eliciting gaze-evoked pain), gross diplopia, facial asymmetry, and function, and to perform
	assessment of reasonably sized eyelid lesions.
Kang, 2021 ²⁶⁷	therapeutic relationship factors
-	person-level factors

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Klamroth-Marganska, 2021 ²⁷³	Other advantages often named were the reduction in the (unpaid) workload through the simpler clarification of low-level questions from clients and through the elimination of the largely unpaid travel time (18.7%), as well as the fact that HCD gave certain clients easier access to health care (16.7%).
	clients with mental health and anxiety problems, clients who lack technical proficiency, clients without sufficient language skills, and/or who have a shy and inhibited demeanor were being disadvantaged
	most frequently mentioned (39.3%) advantage of HCD is the possibility to maintain the relationship with clients and to carry out consultations under extraordinary circumstances such as the COVID-19 pandemic.
	OTs and midwives saw themselves as considerably restricted in their ability to recognize and assess the complexity of the situation as a whole due to the lack of physical presence
	for OTs and midwives, a large number of examinations, interventions, and therapies were hardly possible at a distance due to absence of direct physical interaction
Krawczyk, 2021277	transition to telehealth and virtual care
Krok-Schoen, 2021 ²⁷⁸	telehealth access for staff, patients, and caregivers
	missed appointments due to tech issues
	inadequate IT support
	rural locations with limited tech access
	communication difficulties
	dissatisfaction with limited face to face contact
Kryszak, 2022 ²⁷⁹	Possible benefts and costs of completing services by telehealth to those experiencing health disparities and for non-native
14 yozak, 2022	English speakers are also outlined
	Institutional and Workplace Factors Related to Transitioning to a Telehealth Model
Kursite, 2022 ²⁸⁰	Sacrifce and loss of privacy
LaRoche, 2021 ²⁸³	Perceptions of safety are closely tied with attitudes about using
	telemedicine for abortion
	Respondents had apprehension about the legitimacy of
	telemedicine
Lee, 2022 ²⁸⁷	participants were more willing to meet in-person when their symptoms become more severe or a change in medical needs was
	warranted
	lack of the physical examination
Lin, 2021 ²⁸⁹	The most prominent barrier to telemedicine was related to inaccessibility of online technology.
Luckett, 2021 ²⁹⁰	Telehealth was reportedly used for almost all aspects of care
	views were mixed on the quality of care delivered via telehealth vs. face-to-face
	Respondents also identified several technical barriers to telehealth
	Respondents reported leveraging existing systems
	Respondents reported greater efficiencies from telehealth over face-to-face contact
	mixed reports regarding acceptance of telehealth among staff and clients
Lynch, 2021 ²⁹³	Skepticism about telehealth
	Client care challenges
	Virtual etiquette
	Managing group dynamics
	Communication challenges
	ZOOM fatigue
Macchi, 2021 ²⁹⁴	Limitations of telecommunications when compared to in-person contact

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Madden, 2020 ²⁹⁵	For patients, Appreciation of continued care (facilitators of telehealth)
	For patients, Access to required technology and devices (i.e., smart phones, tablet, e-mail) (facilitators of telehealth)
	For providers, Access to colleagues with prior telehealth experience (facilitators of telehealth)
	For providers, Accessible EMR data to plan telehealth care encounters in advance of visit (facilitators of telehealth)
	For clinic/office, Assistance for office staff in telehealth scheduling and administration (facilitators of telehealth)
	For patients, Technical difficulties with logging on and maintaining continuous Wi-Fi or data connection through visit (barriers
	of telehealth)
	For patients, Need for home monitoring devices (i.e., fetal heart tone Doppler's, blood pressure cuffs) (barriers of telehealth)
	For providers, Limited data on the use of telehealth in routine obstetrics (barriers of telehealth)
	For patients, Concerns of COVID-19 exposure (facilitators of telehealth)
	For clinic/office, Protection of patients and staff (facilitators of telehealth)
	For the department, Development of guidelines regarding which antenatal visits are appropriate for telehealth (facilitators of telehealth)
	For the department, Development of guidelines regarding frequency and interval of ultrasound monitoring (facilitators of telehealth)
	For patients, Discomfort/hesitation/anxiety with telehealth visits and technology (barriers of telehealth)
	For providers, Language barriers/translation services more difficult to use during telehealth visits (barriers of telehealth) For clinics/office, Rapidity of integration (barriers of telehealth)
	For clinics/office, Recent transition to EMR/unfamiliarity with telehealth administration and scheduling (barriers of telehealth)
	For clinics/office, Lack of up-to-date patient contact information (barriers of telehealth)
	For clinics/office, Additional support staff required numbers (barriers of telehealth)
	For the department, Rapid implementation precluded small scale testing (barriers of telehealth)
	For clinic/office, Centralized patient call center to facilitate patient technological troubleshooting and scheduling (facilitators of
	telehealth)
	For the department, Compliance/billing issues (barriers of telehealth)
	For providers, Ease of use of telehealth technology (facilitators of telehealth)
	For providers, Technical difficulties with logging on (barriers of telehealth)
	For patients Limits COVID-19 exposure
	For patients Ensures continued access to care
	For patients Convenience for patients with increased childcare responsibilities
	For providers Limits COVID-19 exposure
	For providers Ensures continued access to care
	For clinic/office, Limits COVID-19 exposure
	For clinics/office, Challenges with patient scheduling (barriers of telehealth)
	For providers, Online modules/work-flow documents on how to use telehealth software and interface (facilitators of telehealth
	For clinic/office, Online modules for support staff (facilitators of telehealth)
	For patients, Initial set-up technically difficult (barriers of telehealth)
Malden, 2021296	Improving treatment accuracy and
	effectiveness
	Negating infection risk in hospital
	Managing time and resources
Mark, 2022 ²⁹⁹	Use of telehealth to improve access.

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Marshall, 2021 ³⁰⁰	rapid implementation was challenging
	telehealth revealed geographic, aging, and racial/ethnic disparities and digital illiteracy
	advantages brought about convenience and inclusion of family caregivers
	telehealth provided continuity of cancer care and used to decrease the risk of COVID-19 exposure
Martin, 2021 ³⁰¹	technology advocacy
	lost access to EMR when working remotely
	patient lack of access to technology
	lack of privacy
	Facilitates Conversations
	increased patient engagement
	impersonal experience
	reduced patient engagement
	telephone counseling lacks communication/connection with clients
	Convenience
	Good for Work Schedule
	Greater availability
	Greater flexibility
	lack of availability
	tedious
	Greater comfort
	Greater compliance
	Improved therapeutic relationship
	increased accountability
	increased safety
	reduced accountability
	Increased access to client
	no difference
Murphy, 2021 ³¹¹	Remote consulting carries additional clinical risk
	Total triage draining for GPs and poor use of reception time
	Video less useful than phone as lockdown eased
	Universal consensus that remote consulting is necessary to reduce risk for staff/patients
	Staff and patients bought-in to remote consulting as necessary to reduce infection
	Triage systems successful in reducing footfall
	Telephone suitable for most problems
	Video useful for social distancing
Myers, 2020 ³¹⁴	technology interference
	Emergency procedures
	concerns about high-risk status
	therapeutic boundaries
	measurement-based care limitations
Nagra, 2021 ³¹⁵	Adapting to change
C <i>i</i>	Referral pathways
	Remote services

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Negri, 2022 ³¹⁶	cost
	Organizational barriers to implementation including cost of telehealth software
	Increased work-related stress due to COVID-19 High levels of satisfaction in work with Latinx immigrants
Neumann-Podczaska, 2021 ³¹⁷	Acknowledging the initiative
	Expectations and motivation toward the initiative
	Attitude toward online consultations performed by medical and pharmacy students
	Attitude toward interdisciplinary characteristics of performed consultations
	Post-pandemic perspective of the initiative and suggestions for expansion
Newman-Casey, 2021 ³¹⁸	feeling that the care was convenient
	expressing a negative perception of the quality of care
	expressing a positive perception of the quality of care
	feeling that the technology worked well
	feeling like the care was appropriate given their disease severity
	expressing a negative perception of the quality of care
	expressing a positive perception of the quality of care
	feeling indifferent to the modality of care
	feeling like the care was appropriate given their disease severity
	feeling that the care was appropriate given the risk of exposure
Nguyen, 221 ³²⁰	participants expressed visit type preferences (particularly for in person visits) that were driven by anxiety related to monitoring
	and managing their own health without undergoing a physical evaluation by a trained medical professional
	participants had concerns about accessibility issues related to Internet/data access and technology experience
	participants felt more comfortable with and expressed preference for telemedicine visits with providers they already knew
Orlowski, 2022 ⁴²⁷	concerns about privacy
	adjustment was needed
	gaining comfort over time
	learning to use technology
	changes in work-life balance
	different orientation of clients
Pagano, 2021 ³²³	Other interviewees stated that older and economically disadvantaged clients often struggled to use laptops and tablets that the
	program provided for telehealth visits
	Many described challenges of using telehealth
	Two directors described positive experiences with telehealth,

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Parkinson, 2021 ³²⁶	better access and greater convenience
	participants were supportive of telehealth consultations during COVID-19 as they offered a safe and contact-free option
	some negative aspects were raised about consultations
	Video consultations were thought to be better than telephone
	consultations
	Some participants indicated that they saw particular value in
	having a video consultation for an initial meeting
	Participants viewed face-to- face consultations as the best environment for discussions about personal health issues
	the health issue of concern also influenced whether they preferred a video or telephone consultation,
	Most participants felt telehealth was suitable for many, but
	not all, consultations and would consider incorporating telehealth
	consultations into their future usual health-care routine where
	appropriate.
Parsons, 2021 ³²⁷	negative feedback included technical difficulties
	limitations on the testing imposed by the virtual modality
	technical issues
	technical assistance for patients
	taking extra time to manage the evaluation
	poor engagement
	distraction, or fatigue on the part of the patient
	delays in the examination
	Positive comments related to the examiner
	the convenience of being able to complete testing from home
Philip, 2020 ³³⁰	Joining online
	Physical space
	Session content
	Keep up to date
	Safety
	Ethical Issues
	Sound
	Informing participants
	Feedback
D	Maintaining/building relationships
Pogorzelska-Maziarz, 2021 ³³¹	Barriers to using telehealth
	Benefits of telehealth
D'' L' 000 (24)	Usability and acceptability
Ritchie, 2021 ³⁴¹	challenges in patient-provider communication due to lack of patient digital literacy
Roach, 2021 ³⁴³	Virtual medicine: Barriers and facilitators
Reynolds, 2021 ³³⁹	difficult to ensure privacy and confidentiality
D : L 0004240	Organisational resources and considerations
Rezich, 2021 ³⁴⁰	Participants also highlighted that safety, ability to include others, limited wait time, no childcare needed, and no work or school
	missed for appointments were additional benefits of this virtual healthcare platform that supported their desire to have future
	genetic appointments by telehealth

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Robinson, 2021 ³⁴⁴	incorporating interactive, user centered features
	delivering general and specific surgical advice in a timely manner
	directing a descriptive and structured recovery
	enabling customizable patient-controlled settings
Rodda, 2022 ³⁴⁵	concerns about privacy
Rosenthal-2021 ³⁴⁷	Promoting Video Visits in a Way That Reaches All Patient Families
	Offering Video Visits to All Patient Families
	Engaging and Empowering Health System Personnel to Expand Video Visit Access
	Mitigating Digital Literacy Barriers
	Expanding Health System Resources to Support Families' Specific Needs
Ross, 2021 ³⁴⁸	Increased acuity of needs coupled with exacerbation of existing inequities
	Access to technology
	There was also broad consensus that an adequate pandemic response required an expansion of role and responsibilities
	beyond the typical scope of practice
	Impediments to social work and interprofessional practice
	Lack of understanding of the social work role
	expansion of patient care activities
	Disruption to practice and interprofessional teamwork
	Institutional facilitators to social work and interprofessional practice
	Acknowledgment both of circumstances and of social work
	Mixed messaging
	Recognizing the critical role of social work in hospital pandemic preparedness and response
	Supporting colleagues
	Intersections among self, identity, and professional role
	Overwhelm, overextension, and powerlessness
	Safety and security
	Boundary erosion
	Telehealth is here to stay
	Social determinants, social justice, and social work
Saad, 2021 ³⁵¹	Participants perceived that virtual care facilitated comfort and convenience which included the ability to stay at home to conduct
	the call and to work around the schedule of the participants.
	Many participants perceived that virtual care could be a useful modality as it provided patients an opportunity to receive care
	while balancing the domestic tasks of new mothers.
	Participants perceived that virtual care could be a useful modality to relieve financial and emotional stress related to attending
	the hospital.

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Saliba-Gustafsson, 2020 ³⁵⁴	Adoption
	Perceived Sustainability
	Technology
	Appropriateness: suitability, usefulness, and practicability of video visits
	Benefits and Barriers of Video Visits for Patients and Families/Caregivers
	Virtual Physical Examinations
	Promoting Continuity of Care
	Acceptability
	Workflow efficiency
Samuels-Kalow, 2022 ⁴²⁸	Recommendations included phone and technical support, including detailed instruction on the use of the platform via phone call with video tutorials and step-by-step instructions
	Suggested solutions included providing detailed training and technical support for families accessing telehealth ser- vices, with
	video options
	Some Spanish-speaking families suggested that the clinic assist families without resources by allowing them to borrow
	technology similarly to what is being done by some schooling systems
	Several participants commented on how older individuals may struggle more with virtual visits
San Juan, 2021355	a hybrid model of care delivery could combine the advantages of face-to-face care, including developing the therapeutic
	relationship, with the advantages of remote care, such as flexibility and reduced need for travel
	A blend of face-to-face and digital support groups was also identified as beneficial to balance the advantages of both methods,
	with face-to-face perceived as facilitating stronger interpersonal connections, whereas online groups provided greater flexibility and anonymity, which was sometimes preferred
	One person additionally stated that NHS crisis helplines did not offer support in different languages despite being promoted in several languages
	Several participants identified aspects of telemental health that they would like to see incorporated into their care in the future
	Overall, however, many participants expressed a preference to return to face-to-face for relational appointments such as psychological therapy in the future
	Needs not being met by helplines which were thought to be available 24/7 was perceived as a risk to personal safety
	There were also reports of people feeling that non-verbal signals of escalating distress and agitation were being missed by
	clinicians, particularly over the telephone, potentially leading to safety concerns
	Some people described feeling unsafe during remote consultations either due to a lack of privacy and safety at home, and this
	sometimes led to a pause in treatment
Schindler-Ruwisch, 2021 ³⁵⁸	Weakness: Difficulty assisting with latch and positioning
	Weakness: Technical difficulties
	Weakness: Logistical challenges
	Weakness: Rapport and body language limitations
	Weakness: Unable to get accurate weights /growths and assist with diagnostic issues
	Strengths: Safety
	Strengths: Reduces travel time/ convenience
	Strengths: Increased comfort in patients own home
	Strengths: New communication strategies
	Strengths: Flexible, immediate, continuous support available

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Schoebel, 2021 ³⁵⁹	Increased access to care
	Maintained or improved quality of care
	Privacy concerns
	Client and provider satisfaction
	"A lot of Indigenous people don't like the FaceTiming and all that:" Challenges to delivery of services through telehealth
Searby, 2021 ³⁶¹	"All our face-to-face contact ceased with clients:" Changing service delivery
	"How do I do my job when I can't see you?" An anxious shift in
	service delivery
	"All our face-to-face contact ceased with clients:" Changing service delivery
Sezgin, 2020 ³⁶⁴	Technicality: having problems with accessing the service due to technical problems
	Engagement issues: patients who were not in a state to engage during telehealth visit due to sleeping, having personal issues,
	or physically and emotionally not available.
	Scheduling issues: patient/caregivers who had other scheduled or unscheduled events, or their work was ongoing or forgot the
	appointment (conflicts).
Shah, 2021 ³⁶⁵	The Inequity Paradox
	Patient Safety as a Catalyst for Virtual Care Adoption
	A piecemeal approach to virtual care allowed clinicians to act rapidly, as it provided the flexibility needed to select technologies
	based on their needs and backup options when technical challenges occurred
	Confronting New Roles and Workloads
	Missing Pieces in Virtual Care
Sharma, 2022 ³⁶⁷	Lack of skill in operating technology prevented them from feeling comfortable utilizing video appointments
	Many participants who themselves felt comfortable with technology expressed concern that elderly family members would
	struggle
	Most participants used the portal and found it to be mostly user-friendly
	Of participants who expressed they had low digital literacy nearly all struggled with the portal or did not use it.
	A few participants had trouble accessing the teleconferencing application required for video appointments from the portal.
	Many participants believed that, although their medical concerns could be addressed virtually, seeing their provider f2f would
	confer a diagnostic and therapeutic benefit
	fear of who might be listening in on either end of a video appointment
	fear of who otherwise might have access to the content of a video appointment
Shklarski, 2021369	While the participants were conflicted about seeing clients in person, they also had some mixed feelings about working
	remotely from their domestic spaces.
	The client's preference to be seen in person was associated with the decision to get back to the office.
Shklarski, 2021370	lack of privacy
	negotiating physical and relational boundaries
	psychotherapy with children
	zoom fatigue
	psychotherapy with new clients

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Silviero, 2021 ³⁷²	many women recognised the importance of mental health as well as physical health during pregnancy, childbirth, the post- natal period, and during the COVID-19 pandemic
	Whilst many women understood why appointments were changing so rapidly, concern often arose about the lack of in-person
	care, in re- lation to the growth and wellbeing of the baby during pregnancy or of their newborn infant
	Many women expressed they had less postnatal care than expected, and often felt mental health care was lacking
	virtual care was often discussed as an inappropriate medium through which to conduct health checks, especially postnatally,
	during which time both newborns and new mothers required attention
Singh, 2021374	Patient Access
	Technology Issues
	increased communication with teenage patients as they talk more on telemedicine visits than in-person and increased insight
	into how patients/families manage their disorders at home
	when discussing food-related questions, patients can show the RD the food item they are asking about.
	Insurance Coverage and Billing Issues
	Limitations of Virtual Visits
	Patient Preferences
	Time-Consuming
	Institutional Resources and Policies
	Patient Knowledge
Sklar, 2021 ³⁷⁶	Patient/client and provider interactions
, -	Productivity expectations
	Work-life balance
	Modality specific challenges
	Confidentiality
	Challenge with children clients
Sloan, 2022 ³⁷⁷	Clinicians significantly over-estimated the convenience for patients compared with patient views and many patients reported
	that they weren't given appointment times for telemedicine in the same way as for face-to-face, leading to greater
	inconvenience for some.
	Administrative staff triaging and 'gate-keeping' was particularly disliked; and there were reports of being made to feel 'like I was
	making a fuss' or being refused access, sometimes with life-threatening consequences
	Cost-cutting, clinical need or choice?
Smithson, 2021 ³⁸¹	In most cases, staff and patients chose the telephone as an easy and accessible platform for communicating, and did not
	consider that there was any added benefit from having a video function
	Technology challenges were experienced by many staff and
	patients
	Conversely, staff had concerns regarding the cost burden on patients
	Despite several challenges with virtual appointments, most
	staff felt that a mix of face-to-face and virtual appointments
	would be feasible in the future
Snyder, 2021 ³⁸³	Technology-Related Issues
	Teaching and Safety-Related Issues
	Location and Setting-Related Issues
	Overall Acceptability of Videoconference Delivery

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Srinivasan, 2020 ³⁸⁴	Pandemic as catalyst
	Growing pains
	Equitable access for all
	Discovering the new normal
	Is this conversation private?
	Joy in medicine
	Is this sustainable?
	Doubt about my video examination and decision making
	My role, redefined
	Collaborating together, with meaning
	Safety in medicine
	Slipping through the cracks
Stanhope, 2022 ³⁸⁵	Despite the noted convenience of phone visits and noted inconveniences of in-person visits, the majority of women preferred
1 /	inperson visits for the opportunity to be physically checked.
	one patient who did not want phone visits to be part of care for a future pregnancy
	Another described missing the reassurance of ultrasounds.
	another patient described frustration after coming to her doctor with pain and being assumed to have a sexually transmitted
	disease (STD)
Stewart, 2020386	Difficulties of telemedicine
	Delays in patient care
	Concerns prescribing certain medications
	Concerns for patient/provider safety
	Personal impact
Stewart, 2021 ³⁸⁷	limitations resulting in uncertainty
	organizational difficulties
	good communication and care
	benefits of telehealth
Stifani, 2021388	having the opportunity receive counseling and then take the time to reflect on the information
	telemedicine visits are easier to schedule around childcare commitments.
	Concern about privacy during visit
	quality of communication achieved during telehealth visits
	Should keep telemedicine for contraception after Covid-19
	convenience of televisits
	Satisfaction with telemedicine visit
	Telemedicine visit met needs
	Likelihood of choosing telemedicine over in-person visit
Subotic, 2020 ³⁸⁹	Virtual care: facilitators and barriers
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	Healthcare support: opinions on healthcare response and concerns about the unknown
	Virtual care: facilitators and barriers
Sullivan, 2022 ³⁹⁰	Respondents found that telemedicine

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Taylor, 2021 ⁴²⁹	Legitimization of Services
	Building Confidence in Practice
	Supportive Relationships
	Resourcing Services
	Changes in Healthcare Delivery
	Organizational Adaptation
	Professional Adaptation
Treitler, 2021 ³⁹³	switch to telehealth
	continued flexibility for take-home doses and remote induction
	continued option to use telehealth
Triantafillou, 2021394	Convenience: Travel and costs saved
	Mitigating the impact of COVID-19 Relief/comfort
	Increased accessibility
	Alternative to exposure
	Telemedicine as triage
	Ease of use
	Technical difficulties
	Device choice
	Platform features
	Video adds credibility
	The human touch
	Physical examination
	Anxiety regarding telemedicine and setup
	Skepticism regarding telemedicine
	Telemedicine as triage
	Preferences: telemedicine vs in-person office visits
	Appropriateness of telemedicine Established vs new patient status
	Patient/visit needs and mutual agreement
	Patient centeredness
Tuijt, 2021 ³⁹⁶	difficulties with remote healthcare encounters
-	avoidance of healthcare settings and services
	proactive care at the onset of COVID-19 restrictions
Turchetti, 2021 ³⁹⁷	technical/logistical issues
	emotion/communication
	content and outcome of the session
Uscher-Pines, 2020 ³⁹⁹	Minimal Use of Telemedicine Before COVID-19
	Extensive Use of Telemedicine in March 2020
	Sustainability of the Telemedicine Model
	Impacts of Telemedicine on Psychiatrist-Patient Interactions
	Plans for Telemedicine After COVID-19
	Positive Patient Response

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Uscher-Pines, 2020 ⁴⁰⁰	Less structure and accountability
	Less information to inform clinical decision-making
	More difficult to connect/establish connection
	Technological challenges
	Shorter visits
	Increased access and convenience
	Reduced anxiety
	Video visits in home can facilitate better emotional connection
Uscher-Pines, 2021 ⁴⁰¹	The leading barriers to telehealth implementation during the pandemic included technology challenges and the need for "hands-on" implementation support in the ED
	One threat to long-term sustainability was that several new and expanded programs did not have long-term staffing plans
	New telehealth applications that were sustained for a prolonged period were both operationally successful and had a clear
	business case or external funding source.
	Several EDs reported hardware shortages in the early months of the pandemic that prevented them from implementing
	telehealth as they had originally envisioned.
	Another challenge is that to effectively implement telehealth in an ED, you need staff who are physically on site. This need for
	hands-on support to wheel in telehealth carts, set up connections, and troubleshoot problems is challenging
	Participants noted a variety of policy factors that facilitated implementation of telehealth during the COVID-19 pandemic.
van Gelder, 2021 ⁴⁰⁵	All professionals mentioned difficulties and disadvantages of using online tools / eHealth
	There were also advantages of online contact according to all professionals
	However, all professionals stated that online tools and eHealth cannot and should not replace face-to-face contact, although
	some think this depends on personal preferences.
	According to professionals, prerequisites, and stimuli for getting people to use eHealth or online tools in the context of DVA or
	IPVA are present at multiple levels
Van Citters, 2021	Programs were more likely to experience neutral or minimal financial impact from implementing telehealth ("Cost").
Van Dam, 2022 ⁴⁰³	Most participants expressed that telehealth can be a very good service and most preferred telehealth over face-to- face consultations.
	Participants largely preferred the convenience of telehealth for routine consultations, but many indicated that a consultation to
	discuss a new diagnosis or one requiring a physical examination was better face to face.
	Appropriate telehealth also related to being comfortable at home, as this led to more robust conversations with health care
	professionals.
	Most participants reported having to wait for their consultation, but observed it was often for less time than for a face-to-face
	consultation and it was more convenient because it was in the comfort of their own homes.
	Some participants expressed concerns that being on the phone could lead to losing the personal and practical connection with
	their health care professional, who may not understand the context surrounding the participant's illness/es.
	Some participants mentioned that the social interactions with their health care professionals had been diminished and this
	created a further sense of disconnection.
	Most participants expressed that they felt that their privacy was protected through telehealth methods.
	Most participants did not think that maintaining confidentiality was a concern.
	It was mentioned that protecting patient privacy could be a problem if the participant engaged in a telehealth consultation in a
	public space.
Venville, 2021406	creating safety and comfort
	a whole new way of working

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Voth Schrag, 2022 ³⁶⁰	privacy and safety
Walters, 2022 ⁴⁰⁷	Many participants noted that the COVID-19 contact-limiting protocols shepherded in new policies that patients benefited from, with the most well-received change being decreased requirements for in-person treatment and increased daily doses of medication to take home
	In addition to increasing medication take-homes, some New York City participants discussed how methadone clinics instituted a medication delivery system
	The most well-received changes were increased medication take-home dosages, medication home deliveries, and telehealth.
Webb, 2022 ⁴¹⁰	having private settings
Wiebe, 2021 ⁴¹¹	Increased challenges in establishing rapport when conducting telemedicine assessments, and being unable to have physical contact
Wilhite, 2021 ⁴¹²	Technology challenge: Computers, phones, connections themselves. Patient or physician's lack of skill with technology. Patient access to technology. Use of interpreters. Benefits: Holistic view of patient Benefits: Easier connectivity to patients
	Communication challenge: Setting of calls/privacy issues. Differing patient and physician expectations. Systems challenge: Physical examination challenges. No protocol for team functioning in place. Team preparation and workload.
Wilson, 2021 ⁴¹³	Limitations of telehealth Paying for telehealth Key benefits of telehealth during COVID-19 Changes in use of telehealth over time during the pandemic Perceived future use of telehealth
Wood, 2021 ⁴¹⁵	challenges meeting others group leadership group format and content
Yelverton, 2021 ⁴¹⁶	Barriers to Telehealth in HIV Care Strategies to Facilitate Telehealth Organizational Context Strategies Client-Related Strategies Economic and Political Context Strategies Utilization of Telehealth in HIV Care
Zhu, 2021 ⁴²⁰	vital signs and physical exam may be limited visual limitations can make an adequate physical examination difficult over telemedicine a clinic visit may be preferred after a major surgery in certain settings, telemedicine is more efficient of time and space than office visits
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	Some participants expressed concerns that being on the phone could lead to losing the personal and practical connection with their health care professional, who may not understand the context surrounding the participant's illness/es.
	Some participants mentioned that the social interactions with their health care professionals had been diminished and this created a further sense of disconnection.
Nguyen, 2021 ³²⁰	participants expressed visit type preferences (particularly for in-person visits) that were driven by anxiety related to monitoring and managing their own health without undergoing a physical evaluation by a trained medical professional
Otaulaura 0000385	participants had concerns about accessibility issues related to Internet/data access and technology experience
Stanhope, 2022 ³⁸⁵	Despite the noted convenience of phone visits and noted inconveniences of in-person visits, the majority of women preferred inperson visits for the opportunity to be physically checked.
Rezich, 2021 ³⁴⁰	one patient who did not want phone visits to be part of care for a future pregnancy
Rezich, 202 I ^{sto}	Participants also highlighted that safety, ability to include others, limited wait time, no childcare needed, and no work or school missed for appointments were additional benefits of this virtual healthcare platform that supported their desire to have future genetic appointments by telehealth
San Juan, 2021 ³⁵⁵	a hybrid model of care delivery could combine the advantages of face-to-face care, including developing the therapeutic relationship, with the advantages of remote care, such as flexibility and reduced need for travel
	A blend of face-to-face and digital support groups was also identified as beneficial to balance the advantages of both methods, with face-to-face perceived as facilitating stronger interpersonal connections, whereas online groups provided
	greater flexibility and anonymity, which was sometimes preferred
	One person additionally stated that NHS crisis helplines did not offer support in different languages despite being promoted in several languages
	Several participants identified aspects of telemental health that they would like to see incorporated into their care in the future
	Overall, however, many participants expressed a preference to return to face-to-face for relational appointments such as psychological therapy in the future
Edge, 2021 ²⁰²	the most frequently cited difficulties were concerns about whether telehealth would deliver the same quality of care as a physical examination.
Jassil, 2022 ²⁵⁸	having a device with larger screen (e.g., desktop, laptop or tablet), a minimum internet bandwidth and instruction for them to follow.

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Samuels-Kalow, 2022 ⁴²⁸	Recommendations included phone and technical support, including detailed instruction on the use of the platform via phone call with video tutorials and step-by-step instructions
	Suggested solutions included providing detailed training and technical support for families accessing telehealth ser- vices, with video options
	Some Spanish-speaking families suggested that the clinic assist families without resources by allowing them to borrow
	technology similarly to what is being done by some schooling systems
	Several participants commented on how older individuals may struggle more with virtual visits
Walters, 2022 ⁴⁰⁷	Many participants noted that the COVID-19 contact-limiting protocols shepherded in new policies that patients benefited
	from, with the most well-received change being decreased requirements for in-person treatment and increased daily doses of medication to take home
	In addition to increasing medication take-homes, some New York City participants discussed how methadone clinics
	instituted a medication delivery system
Sharma, 2022 ³⁶⁷	Lack of skill in operating technology prevented them from feeling comfortable utilizing video appointments
	Many participants who themselves felt comfortable with technology expressed concern that elderly family members would struggle
	Most participants used the portal and found it to be mostly user-friendly
	Of participants who expressed they had low digital literacy nearly all struggled with the portal or did not use it.
	A few participants had trouble accessing the teleconferencing application required for video appointments from the portal.
Dennet, 2021 ¹⁹²	Some acknowledged that the current arrangement was an acceptable alternative given the COVID-19 pandemic, but did not
Definet, 2021	see it as a substitution in the future
Harris, 2021 ⁴³⁰	Compared to care provided in the clinic, autistic adults felt more comfortable during virtual visits because they were in their
	own homes
	Without the commute, autistic adults can avoid these added stressors and may be better able to engage in the visit.
Lee, 2022 ²⁸⁷	participants were more willing to meet in-person when their symptoms become more severe or a change in medical needs
	was warranted
	lack of the physical examination
Reynolds, 2021 ³³⁹	difficult to ensure privacy and confidentiality
	Organisational resources and considerations
James, 2021 ⁴³¹	preparedness
Van Citters, 2021	Programs were more likely to experience neutral or minimal financial impact from implementing telehealth ("Cost").
Nguyen, 2021 ³²⁰	participants felt more comfortable with and expressed preference for telemedicine visits with providers they already knew
Sullivan, 2022 ³⁹⁰	Respondents found that telemedicine
	increased their work-life balance
Handley, 2022 ²³⁶	Provider Comfort and Willingness to Engage in Video Visits
Change, 2021 ¹⁷⁷	to remain reimbursable for providersto be able to provide ongoing support and care topatients without compromising
	thefinancial stability of health care organizations.
	providers desired changes to telemedicine platform
	Second, providers cited a need forfinancial assis-tance for organizations to obtain the technologiesnecessary to implement
	telemedicine successfully.
	city- and commu-nity-level initiatives

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Hao, 2021 ²³⁷	Despite the challenges of telepractice, nine out of the ten clinicians hoped that telepractice would continue to be an option
	for future speech-language services
	However, they noted various issues, such as insurance coverage and child client engagement, that need to be addressed to
	advance telepractice development. Moreover, they perceived telepractice to increase access to speech-language services
	for underserved populations, such as people residing in rural communities.
Kursite, 2022 ²⁸⁰	Sacrifce and loss of privacy
Hall-Mills, 2022 ²³⁴	patient/student/family engagement
Davoodi, 2021 ¹⁹¹	Emergency medicine physicians shared that telehealth should continue to have a place in emergency care as a
	supplement, rather than a replacement, for in-person care
	Most emergency medicine physicians did not report that telehealth platforms were difficult to use despite varying degrees of
	training received, technological literacy, and prior experience
Ashcroft, 2021 ¹⁴⁵	i) virtual care will continue for some patients and for some types of appointments and
	ii) virtual care will change practice;
	iii) virtual care is dependent on provider preferences;
	iv) the advancements in virtual care requires continuation of physician billing code
Edge, 2021 ²⁰²	concerns about privacy
De Guzman, 2022 ²³²	Existence of business and financial pressures in general practice
	COVID-19 as a driver for telehealth reimbursement and adoption
Burton, 2022 ¹⁷⁰	Some changes to the practice model were prompted by patient feedback, including negatively perceived online reviews:
	Providers learned to be proactive and anticipate future challenges and difficulties so they could plan accordingly to
	remediate them or reduce their negative impact.
Alpert, 2022 ¹⁴²	reducing patients' travel time and expenses,
	Challenge to Meet Expectations About Appointment Times
Butt, 2022 ¹⁷¹	flexible models of delivery
Der-Martirosian, 2021424	flexible models of delivery
Der-Martirosian, 2021 ⁴²⁴	implementation of teleheath services
	Telehealth Scheduling
DePuccio, 2022 ¹⁹³	Interviewees elaborated on the new responsibilities of MAs and nurses in preparing patients for virtual visits, which prior to
Walters, 2022 ⁴⁰⁷	the COVID-19 pandemic, r
	Repurposed: Physicians describing the changing roles and responsibilities of staff to support telemedicine
	The most well-received changes were increased medication take-home dosages, medication home deliveries, and
	telehealth.
Kryszak, 2022 ²⁷⁹	Possible benefts and costs of completing services by telehealth to those experiencing health disparities and for non-native
	English speakers are also outlined
	Institutional and Workplace Factors Related to Transitioning to a Telehealth Model
Sloan, 2021 ³⁷⁷	Cost-cutting, clinical need or choice?
Mark, 2022 ²⁹⁹	Use of telehealth to improve access.
Dennet, 2021 ¹⁹²	telehealth offered a quick and convenient option when a simple conversation or general advice with a health professional is
	all that was required.
Negi, 2022 ³¹⁶	cost
-	Organizational barriers to implementation including cost of telehealth software
	Increased work-related stress due to COVID-19 High levels of satisfaction in work with Latinx immigrants

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Orlowski, 2022 ⁴²⁷	concerns about privacy
	adjustment was needed
	gaining comfort over time
	learning to use technology
	changes in work-life balance
	different orientation of clients
Rosen, 2022 ⁴³²	not having a lifestyle that accommodates a remote call-back service
	Those who did attempt to access care were sometimes unsuccessful (risk 1C), for a variety of reasons relating to digital
	exclusion, including inability to use the required technology; blocked phone lines due to the high call volumes (and
	unwillingness to persist in attempts to connect); limitations on patients' telephone data package (lack of phone minutes or
	bandwidth for video consultation)
	For some, video consultations were not available at all. In others, video infrastructure was in place but if a glitch occurred,
	some staff struggled to cope and created work-arounds, causing stress for patients and staff alike
Cartledge, 2021 ¹⁷⁴	resuming in-person programmes
	Capacity for multi-modal delivery
	Telehealth capacity: Staff time
	Telehealth capacity: Physical space
	Continuation of telehealth model of CR and to continue telehealth to sustain increased rea
Frey, 2022 ⁴²⁵	Cost
	Adaptations
Heyck Lee, 2022 ²⁸⁷	Cost
Hersch, 2022 ²⁴²	concerns about privacy
Rodda, 2022 ³⁴⁵	concerns about privacy
Voth Schrag, 2022 ³⁶⁰	privacy and safety
Webb, 2022 ⁴¹⁰	having private settings

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Adams, 2021 ¹³⁷	The lack of physical examination is not a problem
	The lack of physical examination is not a problem
	The lack of physical examination is not a problem
	It is easier to contact my clinician
	It saves me time
	The equipment is easy to use
	It is easier to contact my clinician
	It saves me time
	The equipment is easy to use
	It is easier to contact my clinician
	It saves me time
	The equipment is easy to use
Aleboyeh, 2021 ¹³⁹	technical difficulties during visit

Table D.19. Author defined barriers and facilitators identified in quantitative studies (Key Question 3)

Author, Year	Survey Questions
Alkureeishi, 2021 ¹⁴⁰	Training needs: Billing aspects
	Barriers to conducting video visits: Inadequate scheduling staff support
	Barriers to conducting video visits: Inadequate staff support during visits
	Training needs: Integrating residents/fellows into visit workflows
	Barriers to conducting video visits: Patient reluctance
	Training needs: Performing a video visit exam
	Barriers to conducting video visits: Patient lack of technical knowledge
	Barriers to conducting video visits: Patient access to necessary technology
	Training needs: Technical aspects
	Training needs: Communication strategies
	Barriers to conducting video visits with residents/fellows: Concerns about integrating them into video visit workflows
	Barriers to conducting video visits with medical students: Concerns about integrating them into video visit workflows
	Barriers to conducting video visits with medical students: Patient reluctance to having medical students involved
	Barriers to conducting video visits with residents/fellows: Uncertainty about documentation rules
	Barriers to conducting video visits with medical students: Uncertainty about documentation rules
	Barriers to conducting video visits with medical students: Unsure how to give performance feedback
	Barriers to conducting video visits with residents/fellows: Other
	Barriers to conducting video visits with medical students: other
	Training needs: Billing aspects
	Barriers to conducting video visits with residents/fellows: Concerns about integrating them into video visit workflows
	Barriers to conducting video visits with medical students: Concerns about integrating them into video visit workflows
	Barriers to conducting video visits: Inadequate scheduling staff support
	Barriers to conducting video visits: Inadequate staff support during visits
	Training needs: Integrating residents/fellows into visit workflows
	Barriers to conducting video visits: Patient reluctance
	Barriers to conducting video visits with medical students: Patient reluctance to having medical students involved
	Training needs: Performing a video visit exam
	Barriers to conducting video visits with residents/fellows: Uncertainty about documentation rules
	Barriers to conducting video visits with medical students: Uncertainty about documentation rules
	Barriers to conducting video visits with medical students: Unsure how to give performance feedback
	Barriers to conducting video visits with residents/fellows: Other
	Barriers to conducting video visits with medical students: other
	Barriers to conducting video visits: Patient lack of technical knowledge
	Barriers to conducting video visits: Patient access to necessary technology
	Training needs: Technical aspects
	Training needs: Communication strategies
	Converting in-person visits to video visits has resulted in feeling more overwhelmed
Atay, 2021 ¹⁴⁷	prefer TM: It is hard to access abortion due to work or school commitments
Alay, 2021	
	prefer TM: It is hard to access abortion because of legal restrictions
	prefer TM: it is hard to access abortion because of distance
	prefer TM: it is hard to access abortion because of the costs

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Baadjou, 2020 ¹⁴⁸	Relatively few problems were experienced with the information technology (IT)
	even if experienced, IT barely affected the
	experience with videoconferencing
Banks, 2021 ¹⁴⁹	technical difficulties pre-COVID
	technical difficulties post-COVID
Barth, 2021 ¹⁵³	Possible challenges: Technical difficulties before consultation
	Possible advantages: Time saving
	Possible advantages: Location independence
	Possible advantages: Home setting: involvement
	Possible advantages: Practicing exercises in home setting
	Possible advantages: Home setting: integration of exercises in daily life
	Possible challenges: Difficulties in doing the exercises
	Possible challenges: Perceived distance
	Possible challenges: Issues with therapeutic approach
	Possible challenges: Issues with patient's concern
	Possible advantages: Time saving
	Possible advantages: Location independence
	Possible advantages: Home setting: involvement
	Possible advantages: Practicing exercises in home setting
	Possible challenges: Difficulties in doing the exercises
	Possible challenges: Perceived distance
	Possible challenges: Issues with therapeutic approach
	Possible challenges: Issues with patient's concern
	Overall judgment: New therapeutic potential
	Overall judgment: Therapeutic limitations
	Possible advantages: Time saving
	Possible advantages: Location independence
	Possible advantages: Home setting: involvement
	Possible advantages: Practicing exercises in home setting
	Possible challenges: Difficulties in doing the exercises
	Possible challenges: Perceived distance
	Possible challenges: Issues with therapeutic approach
	Possible challenges: Issues with patient's concern
	Overall judgment: New therapeutic potential
	Overall judgment: Therapeutic limitations
Bate, 2021 ¹⁵⁵	confidence in using technology
	Time saved: set up/connection
	Cost saved: travel
	Cost saved: accommodation
	Cost saved: loss of income
	Cost saved: other
	Cost saved: overall

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Belcher, 2021 ¹⁵⁶	1 to 3 visits to become comfortable with the technology and billing aspect
	4 to 8 visits to become comfortable with the technology and billing aspect
	9 to 15 visits to become comfortable with the technology and billing aspect
	Preferred completing their telehealth visits at the hospital or office
	Preferred completing their telehealth visits at home
	improved patient access to the care they needed
	ability for patients and providers to avoid COVID-19 exposure
	improved relationships and time with the patient families
	flexibility in being able to care for patients in the comfort of their home
	Likelihood that telehealth would be a part of their clinical practice in the future
Bennell, 2021 ¹⁵⁸	VC would cost the business more
	VC and in-person would cost the same amount
	in-person would cost the business more
	Most valued about video consult: cost savings
	Most valued about video consult: privacy
Bhuva, 2020 ¹⁶⁰	did not have any technical issue
	had video issues
	had audio issues
Birkhoff, 2021 ¹⁶¹	I think that I would need the support of a technical person to be able to use this system.
	I thought the system was easy to use.
	I found the system very cumbersome to use.
	I found the system unnecessarily complex
	I found the various functions in this system well integrated.
	I thought there was too much inconsistency with this system.
	I felt very confident to use this system.
	I would imagine that most people would learn to use this system very quickly.
	I need to learn a lot of things before I could get going with this system.

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Bos, 2021 ¹⁶³	Difficulty estimating how the patient is doing
	Impossibility to perform physical exam
	Impossibility to conduct additional testing on a short term
	Limited organizational support to convert consultation from in-person to telephone visit
	Delayed diagnostic or therapeutic trajectory
	I found TCs easy to learn
	Less travel time for patients
	Ease of use
	Shorter waiting time for patients
	Familiarity with telephone system
	Facilitative support from organization
	Lower workload
	Difficulty in reaching patients (i.e., phone not being answered)
	Preference for in-person consultation by patients
	Language barrier by patients
	Less access to care
	Age of the patients
	Technical issues (i.e., insufficient sound quality)
	Less patient attention for the consultation (distracting factors at home/on the road)
Boyarsky, 2020 ¹⁶⁴	Challenges to implementing telemedicine: Equipment for staff
	Challenges to implementing telemedicine: Hospital infrastructure not set-up
	Challenges to implementing telemedicine: Limited number of staff
	Challenges to implementing telemedicine: Patient availability
	Challenges to implementing telemedicine: Redeployed staff
	Challenges to implementing telemedicine: Software
	Challenges to implementing telemedicine: Training staff
	Challenges to implementing telemedicine: Patient access to technology
	Challenges to implementing telemedicine: Patient ability to use technology
	Challenges to implementing telemedicine: Other
Champion, 2021 ¹⁷⁶	cost-effectiveness of the appointment
Chen, 2021 ¹⁷⁸	Ability to adopt new technology
	Audiovisual quality of telehealth visit
	Ability to adopt new technology
	Audiovisual quality of telehealth visit
	Effectiveness in completing physical examination
	Confidence in physical examination: inspection
	Confidence in physical examination: determination
	of tenderness
	Confidence in physical examination: determination
	of sensation
	Confidence in physical examination: determination
	of range of motion

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Datta, 2021 ¹⁹⁰	reported having previous experience with video calls
	Patients who indicated that they have used video platforms in the past were more than 10 years younger than those who did
	not have experience with video calls prior to their clinic encounters
	Among the factors that favorably influenced patients' decision to choose telehealth for epilepsy instead of face-to-face visits,
	inclement weather and lack of transportation were reported most frequently
Dramburg, 2021 ²⁰⁰	perception of TM technical implementation
Fieux, 2020 ²⁰⁶	I was satisfied with the sound quality during the teleconsultation
	TH easy to get technical back up if needed
	Teleconsultation saved time and money
	I was bothered that the doctor could not examine me
Freiman, 2021 ²¹⁴	Internet use
	Own: laptop
	Own: smart phone
	Video conf in last year
	Video conf capable device
	Confidence: phone and video conf
	Confidence: phone and picture
	Confidence: downloading app
	Confidence: bluetooth pairing
	Confidence: video conf any
	Confidence: info seeking
Gabe-Walters, 2021 ²¹⁷	I am extremely concerned about accessibility to the service for some
	patients if we increase our telephone/video ways of working
	A virtual consultation for a follow-up patient is quicker than a face-to-face
	one*
	virtual consultation for a new patient is quicker than a face-to-face one*
	Being hands-on when assessing all patients is essential
Gilbert, 2021 ²²³	Do you feel the current technological solutions are secure in terms of patient data?

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Goh, 2021 ²²⁶	Benefit of Telemedicine Visits: No travel
	Benefit of Telemedicine Visits: More convenient
	Benefit of Telemedicine Visits: Continuity of care for families who are hesitant to come for in-person visits
	Benefit of Telemedicine Visits: Less cancellations/no shows
	Benefit of Telemedicine Visits: Decreased patient wait times
	Benefit of Telemedicine Visits: Decreased clinic visit length
	Benefit of Telemedicine Visits: Other (e.g., opportunity to observe a patient's home environment)
	Challenges of Telemedicine Visits: Limited ability to perform physical exams
	Challenges of Telemedicine Visits: Assessing disease activity
	Challenges of Telemedicine Visits: Access to technology
	Challenges of Telemedicine Visits: Safety labs being performed at recommended interval
	Challenges of Telemedicine Visits: Adequate Internet bandwidth
	Challenges of Telemedicine Visits: Providing multidisciplinary care
	Challenges of Telemedicine Visits: Patient education
	Challenges of Telemedicine Visits: Communicating after-visit instructions/making follow-up visits
	Challenges of Telemedicine Visits: Licensure
	Challenges of Telemedicine Visits: Reimbursement
	Challenges of Telemedicine Visits: Other-Miscellaneous technological issues for the patients/providers
Hamad, 2021 ²³⁵	visual quality of visit
	how your privacy was respected
	how your privacy was respected - new
	how your privacy was respected - existing
Hasson, 2021 ²³⁹	Reasons to continue TM: reduced expenses
	Felt their privacy was secured
	Reasons to continue TM: shorter arrival time
	protected privacy
	protected privacy
Hentati, 2021 ²⁴¹	Disadvantages of TH: tech difficulties
Hertling, 2021 ²⁴³	Disadvantages of TH: less personal interaction
	Disadvantages of TH: poor communication
	Does anything prevent you from using telemedicine (y)
	Very good to good knowledge of Telemedicine
	Concern: Technical comprehension of patients

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Hyung, 2021 ²⁴⁹	Perceived time consumption compared with in-person visit? Shorter
	Perceived time consumption compared with in-person visit? Equivalent
	Perceived time consumption compared with in-person visit? Inferior
	Perceived time consumption compared with in-person visit? Inferior
	Inability to perform neuro exam
	Limitations of technology
	Technical support barriers
	Reimbursement barriers
	Provider lack of interest
	Patient lack of interest
	Administrative barriers
	Provider lack of training
	Malpractice
	Documentation barriers
	Other barriers
	Licensing barriers
	Less travel time for patients
	Less cost for patients
	Access to greater catchment area
	Cost efficient for hospitals
	More frequent patient followup
	Other benefits
	Duration of teleconference/video conference visits? <15 minutes
	Duration of teleconference/video conference visits? <15 minutes
	Duration of teleconference/video conference visits? 15-30 minutes
	Duration of teleconference/video conference visits? 15-30 minutes
	Duration of teleconference/video conference visits? 30-60minutes
	Duration of teleconference/video conference visits? 30-60minutes
	Duration of teleconference/video conference visits? >60 minutes
	Duration of teleconference/video conference visits? >60 minutes
	Quality of care compared with in-person visit? Superior
	Quality of care compared with in-person visit? Superior
	Quality of care compared with in-person visit? Equivalent
	Quality of care compared with in-person visit? Equivalent
	Quality of care compared with in-person visit? Inferior
	Quality of care compared with in-person visit? Inferior
Isautier, 2020 ²⁵²	Factor associated with poor TH experience: male
13aulici, 2020	Factor associated with poor TH experience: history of depression or anxiety
	Factor associated with poor TH experience: low patient activation score
	Not able to access TH services
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lyer, 2021 ²⁵⁵	This video/telephone visit saved me travel costs

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Jaclyn 2021 ²⁵⁶	Degree of concern regarding absence of Pulmonary Function Testing
	Degree of concern regarding absence of Weight Measurement
	Degree of concern regarding absence of Throat/Sputum Culture
	Degree of concern regarding absence of Vital Signs and Physical Exam
	Degree of concern regarding absence of Pulmonary Function Testing
	Degree of concern regarding absence of Weight Measurement
	Degree of concern regarding absence of Throat/Sputum Culture
	Degree of concern regarding absence of Vital Signs and Physical Exam
	Able to see desired disciplines
	Difficulty accessing visit
	Able to see desired disciplines
	Difficulty accessing visit
Johnson, 2021 ²⁶³	difficulty engaging with remote appts by phone or via digital platforms
Joughin, 2021 ²⁶⁴	Respondents who participated in a video consultation required help accessing equipment—usually from family members
	experienced difficulties logging on to video consultations
	being able to hear and understand the clinician throughout the whole consultation
	could see the doctor all of the time
	understanding the reason for the consultation and felt better able to manage and understand their condition.
	I was given adequate opportunity to express my opinion and ask questions during the consultation
Kasturi, 2021 ²⁶⁸	lack of physical contact during the TH visit was not a problem
Kaufman, 2021 ²⁶⁹	difficulties using phone counseling: technical difficulties
	median score for technical quality (IQR)
	difficulties using video counseling: technical difficulties
	difficulties using phone counseling: lack of anthropometric measurements
	difficulties using video counseling: lack of anthropometric measurements
Kayser, 2021 ²⁷⁰	reported technical problems during consultation
Kippen, 2020 ²⁷²	Practices were highly/medium impacted by the challenge: telehealth reimbursement
LeBrun, 2021 ²⁸⁵	Needed assistance with accessing the telemedicine visit
	Difficulties during the telemedicine visit
	What negative things did you experience during the virtual consultation? Technical difficulties that disrupted the visit
	Did you notice a reduction in expenses using TM vs. outpatient care at HSS
	What negative things did you experience during the virtual consultation? Difficulty addressing concerns or symptoms in the
	absence of an in-person physical examination
	What negative things did you experience during the virtual consultation? inability to obtain a radiograph

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Lee, 2021 ²⁸⁶	Telehealth improves my patient's access to healthcare services
	Telehealth saves my patients time traveling to a hospital or specialist clinic
	I think the visits provided over the telehealth system are the same as in-person visits
	Whenever I make a mistake using the system, I could recover easily and quickly
	The system gave an error message that clearly told me how to fix problems
	This system is able to do everything I would want it to be able to do
	I could easily talk to the patient using the telehealth system
	I could hear the patient clearly using the telehealth system
	I felt I was able to express myself effectively
	Using the telehealth system, I can see the patient as well as if we met in person
Lun, 2020 ²⁹²	perceived safety of virtual clinic
Madden, 2020 ²⁹⁵	Telephone improves access to healthcare services for my patient
	Telehealth provides adequate care when appropriately scheduled
	Telehealth is convenient for my patients
	Telehealth is convenient for my practice
	Telehealth is compatible with my daily practice
	Telehealth technology was easy to set up
	I received sufficient technological support during the transition
	I faced significant challenges during implementation
	I spent a significant amount of time learning how to use telehealth
	I needed significant technological support during the transition

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Margolin, 2021 ²⁹⁸	Factor associated with patient overall satisfaction: Imaging review	
Margolin, 2021 ²⁹⁸	Factor associated with physician overall satisfaction: Imaging review	
	Factor associated with patient overall satisfaction: Lab review	
	Factor associated with physician overall satisfaction: Lab review	
	Factor associated with patient overall satisfaction: Male gender	
	Factor associated with patient overall satisfaction: MyChart (vs. other platforms)	
	Factor associated with physician overall satisfaction: MyChart (vs. other platforms)	
	Factor associated with physician overall satisfaction: New patient visit (vs. follow-up)	
	Factor associated with patient overall satisfaction: New treatment/surgery planned	
	Factor associated with physician overall satisfaction: New treatment/surgery planned	
	Factor associated with patient overall satisfaction: Non-English preferred language	
	Factor associated with patient overall satisfaction: Non-White	
	Factor associated with physician overall satisfaction: Non-White	
	Factor associated with patient overall satisfaction: Not Hispanic/Latino	
	Factor associated with physician overall satisfaction: Not Hispanic/Latino	
	Factor associated with patient overall satisfaction: Pathology review	
	Factor associated with physician overall satisfaction: Pathology review	
	Factor associated with patient overall satisfaction: Patient age > 70 years	
	Factor associated with physician overall satisfaction: Patient age > 70 years	
	Factor associated with patient overall satisfaction: Prior patient telemedicine experience	
	Factor associated with physician overall satisfaction: Prior physician telemedicine experience	
	Factor associated with patient overall satisfaction: Prostate cancer (vs. other cancers)	
	Factor associated with physician overall satisfaction: Prostate cancer (vs. other cancers)	
	Factor associated with patient overall satisfaction: Technological barriers	
	Factor associated with physician overall satisfaction: Technological barriers	
	Factor associated with patient overall satisfaction: Urologic oncology (vs. other specialties)	
	Factor associated with physician overall satisfaction: Urologic oncology (vs. other specialties)	
Masi, 2021 ³⁰²	Telehealth therapy services not possible for child	
	Practitioner/s are confident/competent in providing services via telehealth	
Meno, 2021 ³⁰⁵	it was easy to set up my telehealth visit using my phone/computer/tablet	
-	it was easy to see my doctor during the telehealth visit	
	it was easy to hear my doctor during the telehealth visit	
Mohammed, 2021 ³⁰⁸		

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Mrugala, 2021 ³¹⁰	concerned about patients' limited
	access to technology and devices
	concerned about their degree of technology
	knowledge
	connectivity
	issues such as inconsistent Wi-Fi/Internet connection
	worried about the limited resources
	increase in demand for time
	standards
	for virtual care outlined by their profession's college would be a helpful support
	resource
	usefulness of accessible resources
	on virtual care platforms.
	written
	information
	offering of evidence on virtual care effectiveness
	inability to justify the
	cost of virtual visits
	Concerns about patient privacy
	concerns obtaining email consent
	lack of adequate training
	new tech applied toward patient care were a positive outcome
	Has switching to TM resulted in positive patient outcomes: travel burdens
	Has switching to TM resulted in positive patient outcomes: cost of gas/food
Mustafa, 2020 ³¹²	prefer in-person: I experienced tech difficulties
	prefer in-person: I wanted a physical exam
	prefer in-person: I wanted skin testing
	prefer in-person: I wanted lung function assessment
Mustafa, 2021 ³¹³	most important reason you would prefer in-person encounter: i want to avoid tech difficulties
	most important reason you would prefer in-person encounter: I want a physical examination
	most important reason you would prefer in-person encounter: i want allergy or breathing tests
Nagra, 2021315	respondents felt professional liability was GREATER with remote consultations compared to f-2-f appointments
	respondents felt professional liability was THE SAME with remote consultations compared to f-2-f appointments
	respondents felt professional liability was LOWER with remote consultations compared to f-2-f appointments
Ng, 2021 ³¹⁹	Providers Offered Telehealth During the COVID-19 Pandemic
	Usual providers offered telehealth to replace a regularly scheduled appointment
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Parikh, 2021 ³²⁴	More convenient for patients
	Patient challenges with software

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	Increases access
	More convenient for provider
	More efficient use of time
	Provider fatigue specific to using video visit format
	Patient discomfort with video visit
	Provider challenges with software
	Video visits lack the authenticity of in-person appointments
	Documentation of visit is easier
	Patient worries about security or privacy
	Provider discomfort with video visit
	Provider worries about security or privacy
	I have been able to connect well with my patients (provider patient rapport)
	I have been able to effectively communicate exercises or suggestions for my patients
	The video visit sessions I've had with patients have been effective
	I have been able to effectively evaluate my patients' mood and thinking
	I'm comfortable using video visits to provide clinical care
Park, 2021 ³²⁵	It was convenient to use this system
	Telemedicine is convenient to use compared with the in-person visits
	I can check patients' condition through telemedicine as in-person visits
	Emergent situation hardly ever happens although I cannot see patients
	I know the purpose of telemedicine
	I understand advantages and disadvantages of telemedicine
	I know the purpose of telemedicine
Patt, 2021 ³²⁸	Top platform challengesfirst time installation
	Top platform challengestechnology quality
Peahl, 2021 ³²⁹	It is easy to do virtual visits
, -	I had technical issues with virtual visits.
Peden, 2020 ⁴³³	The audio & video quality was appropriate for clear communication
	Instructions for gaining access to the system and completing my visit were clear and easy to complete
Pooni, 2021 ³³²	confidentiality was not significantly
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	changed
	confidentiality moderately worsened
	confidentiality moderately improved
Puteikis, 2021 ³³⁴	It is possible to reliably note the side effects of AEDsa
, -	I managed to provide consultations for most of my
	patients at a usual rate
Rametta, 2020 ³³⁶	Any type of issues affecting encounter quality
·····, _····	Concerns not adequately addressed
Ritchie, 2021 ³⁴¹	COVID-19 related practice challenges: Technical difficulties reaching patients
	COVID-19 related practice challenges: Preparedness for use of telemedicine
	COVID-19 related practice challenges: Patient lack of familiarity with telemedicine

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Ross, 2021 ³⁴⁹	Telehealth Teach-back tool used
	Needed clarification on teaching
	Reported decrease in level of concern using Telehealth Listening
	Reported that they felt a connection with project implementer
	Looked at fact sheet or received teaching orally
	Reported it was nice to talk with someone for a while today
Rush, 2021 ³⁵⁰	communicated somewhat/far more often during COVID-19 than before
	did not have access to online mental health programming
	did not have access to virtual or phone mental health services
	frequency of communication with health care providers was "about the same" during COVID-19 compared to before
	communicated somewhat/far less often, and in some cases, this reduced frequency carried over into pressing issues such as
	a "lump in my breast because I feel I won't have access to a mammogram right now."
	participants' eHealth literacy scores were relatively high
Salehi, 2020 ³⁵³	Do you use telemedicine to conduct patients visits in your practice
	Did you routinely use telemedicine to conduct patient visits prior to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic?
	I am not trained/credentialed to do so
	My patients dislike it
Saliba-Gustafsson, 2020 ³⁵⁴	Technological limitations
	Patient expectations to have video visits as an option
	Maintaining access to readily available technology and equipment needed for video visits
	Difficulties arranging and completing necessary follow-ups after the video visit
	Patients' unwillingness to come into clinic for requested in-person visits in the future
	Other (providers listed various reasons)
	Missing/losing the in-person connection/relationship with patients
	Including interpreters on video calls
	Insurance reimbursements for video visits are not the same as for in-person visits
	Being able to engage in training and education of residents and fellows
	Press-Ganey scores
Sathiyaraj, 2021 ³⁵⁶	satisfaction with video
Scherrenberg, 2021 ³⁵⁷	I see no advantages in comparison with center-based CR sessions
	Main advantages of remote CR sessions: No transportation needed
	Main advantages of remote CR sessions: Time saving
	Main advantages of remote CR sessions: No need to arrange supervision for children
	Main advantages of remote CR sessions: More flexibility
	Main advantages of remote CR sessions: More involvement of partner or friends
	Main disadvantages of remote CR sessions: The feeling of being monitored less by the rehabilitation team
	Main disadvantages of remote CR sessions: The feeling that the rehabilitation team has less insight in your clinical status
	Main disadvantages of remote CR sessions: The absence of social contact

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Severe, 2020 ³⁶³	reason for choosing phone: i tried a video visit in the past, and it didn't work
	reason for choosing phone: no access to a tablet or phone capable of video visits
	use of video tech: extremely easy
	use of video tech: somewhat easy
	use of video tech: neither easy nor difficult
	use of video tech: somewhat difficult
	use of video tech: extremely difficult
	factors in continuing virtual care: difficult to find transportation
	factors in continuing virtual care: difficult to find a person to come with me/coordinate schedules
	reason for choosing phone: insurance coverage
	reason for choosing phone: concerns about confidentiality over internet connection
Shivkumar, 2021 ³⁶⁸	Institutional preference was main reason for selecting synchronous video conferencing
	HIPAA was second reason for selecting synchronous video conferencing
	Barriers for adoption of non face to face methods: Provider resistance
	Barriers for adoption of non face to face methods: Patient resistance
	Barriers for adoption of non face to face methods: Lack of access for provider
	Barriers for adoption of non face to face methods: Lack of access for patient
	Barriers for adoption of non face to face methods: Institutional reluctance
Shklarski, 2021369	remote work is more draining than in-person
Shklarski, 2021 ³⁷⁰	concerned about client privacy during therapy sessions
Sklar, 2021 ³⁷⁶	Quality of communication between you and your patients/clients
	Patient/client focus during sessions
	Relationships between you and your patients/clients
	Rate of no-shows with fewer being better
	Confidentiality of discussions with patients/clients
	Patient/client willingness to schedule sessions
	Patient/client engagement in treatment
	Telehealth self-efficacy
Smith, 2021 ³⁷⁹	would not operate on a patient without meeting them in person first
	No aspect of physical exam could be performed during virtual care to an equivalent level
	External nasal exam, Cottle/modified Cottle maneuver, and Teapot maneuver could be performed adequately during virtual
	care
	general assessment, caudal septal assessment, and cranial nerve exam could be performed equivalently during virtual care
	physical exam was limited because of lack of nasal endoscopy
Smithson, 2021 ³⁸¹	satisfied with video quality during the calls
	satisfied with sound quality during the calls

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Smrke, 2020 ³⁸²	reasons for telemedicine preference: reduced travel time
	reasons for telemedicine preference: reduced travel expenses
	reasons for telemedicine preference: convenience
	lack of video-based assessment was a barrier to care
	Documentation is a barrier in telemedicine
	Loss of rapport using phone
	Lack of private space to have appointment
	Lack of nursing presence
Stifani, 2021388	Concern about privacy during visit
Taylor, 2021 ⁴²⁹	Non-financial resources needed for telehealth: Access to suitable technology was
	extremely important
	Non-financial resources needed for telehealth: Reliable of technology was extremely
	important
	Non-financial resources needed for telehealth: Staff training was very important
	Non-financial resources needed for telehealth: Access to appropriate physical space
	was very important
	Time spent was about the same as
	face-to-face consultations
	Factors associated with clinician confidence in TH: It was extremely important to know
	systems are private and secure
	Factors associated with clinician confidence in TH: It was moderately important to trust colleagues
	Relationship factors that support the use of telehealth: having good leadership was extermely important
	Relationship factors that support the use of telehealth: Personal and organizational networks
	were very important
	Relationship factors that support the use of telehealth: Teamwork was very important
	Relationship factors that support the use of telehealth: Communities of practice very
	important
	Relationship factors that support the use of telehealth: Formal partnerships were very
	important
Tyler, 2021398	Did you have any concerns when you were told you would be having a virtual consultation? (yes)
	How was the process of booking the appointment? (good or excellent)

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Wilhite, 2021 ⁴¹²	You sometimes or often experience the following challenges: Problems establishing connection on your end
	Problems establishing connection on patient's end
	Sound quality
	Integrating interpreter into call
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	Problems establishing connection on patient's end
	Sound quality
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	You sometimes or often experience the following challenges: Problems establishing connection on your end
	Problems establishing connection on patient's end
	Sound quality
	Integrating interpreter into call
	Share information with other health care team members
	Understand patient's concerns and preferences for care
	Maximize patient adherence
	Compared with in-person visits, televisits make the following more difficult: Complete a targeted physical examination
	Establish relationship with a new patient
	Take a good history
	Work collaboratively with other health care team members
	Educate patient about condition and follow up
	Maintain relationship with existing patients
	Understand family and social issues and support
	Explore patient's home and community environment
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	Explore patient's home and community environment
Zhang, 2020419	documentation time in person vs. TM unchanged
Zhu, 2021420	I was able to see and hear my healthcare provider adequately during my telemedicine appointment
-	what factor would most make you choose a tm appt over a clinic visit: saving money for travel

Table D.20. Author defined satisfaction and dissatisfaction identified in qualitative studies (Key Question 3)

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Alkureeishi, 2021 ¹⁴⁰	Video visit experiences have been positive, and are useful for many clinicians and patients.
Allison, 2022 ¹⁴¹	Although only five adolescents interviewed had alone time with the provider during their telehealth visit, when
	asked if finding privacy would be challenging when at home
	most were not concerned about confidentiality
	adolescents gaining access to their own patient portal (i.e., a secure virtual platform where patients can
	communicate with their providers or view their medical information) at 13 years old aided in providing
	confidential health care services and fostered feelings of autonomy for the adolescent
	adolescents generally reported being comfortable with time alone with the provider
	Some acknowledged that the current arrangement was an acceptable alternative given the COVID-19
	pandemic, but did not see it as a substitution in the future
	telehealth offered a quick and convenient option when a simple conversation or general advice with a health
	professional is all that was required.
	For some participants, the lack of access to the physical environment and lack of physical contact with the
	health professional for the purpose of examination or demonstration were a limiting factor of telehealth.
Anghelescu, 2021 ¹⁴³	Worsening of Motor Symptoms
Antoun, 2021 ¹⁴⁴	Worsening of Non-Motor Symptoms
Ashcroft, 2021 ¹⁴⁶	Health Care Uncertainty
Baadjou, 2020 ¹⁴⁸	Health Care Limitations
Banks, 2021 ¹⁴⁹	Virtual Medicine: Recommendations
Barnett, 2021 ¹⁵¹	expressed support for the use of telemedicine and described positive experiences they have had utilizing
	remote medicine within their clinical care
Barsom, 2021 ¹⁵²	Impact on quality care
Ben-Ayre, 2021 ¹⁵⁷	The changes experienced in specific components of pain rehabilitation
Bennell, 2021 ¹⁵⁸	The overarching changes experienced, including both opportunities and limitations.
Bethel, 2021 ¹⁵⁹	Convenience.
Birkhoff, 2021 ¹⁶¹	Concentration and appointment flow.
Bommersbach, 2021 ¹⁶²	Similarities to face- to-face appointments.
Bos, 2021 ¹⁶³	Video appointments.
Boydell, 2021 ¹⁶⁵	Preference for face-to-face.
Brown Johnson, 2021 ¹⁶⁷	the benefit of applying the treatment skills within the home setting
Brunton, 2021 ¹⁶⁸	challenges with delivering the treatment protocol via telehealth
Byrnes, 2020 ¹⁷²	VC can be a valuable supplement to care, but the value was dependent on the reason for consultation
Campbell-Yeo, 2021 ¹⁷³	considering the additional value of visual cues and the ability to use inspection and read emotions, healthcare
	providers are satisfied with the use of VC
Cole, 2021 ¹⁸⁰	Patients were also worried about not being able to discuss the treatment with the IO practitioner in person
Cook, 2021 ¹⁸²	They were also worried about creating a quiet treatment setting in their home without distractions, or other
	factors preventing them from learning or performing the self-administered treatments
Cooper, 2021 ¹⁸³	Despite the many challenges which online IO treatment presents, many patients reported a beneficial effect
Cormi, 2021 ¹⁸⁴	Despite these difficulties, many IO practitioners described
Courtney, 2021 ¹⁸⁶	a sense of creativity in their ability to design what they referred

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Dahl-Popolizio, 2020 ¹⁸⁸	to as a new "online integrative toolbox."
Dennett, 2021 ¹⁹²	Some acknowledged that the current arrangement was an acceptable alternative given the COVID-19 pandemic, but did not see it as a substitution in the future
	telehealth offered a quick and convenient option when a simple conversation or general advice with a health professional is all that was required.
	For some participants, the lack of access to the physical environment and lack of physical contact with the health professional for the purpose of examination or demonstration were a limiting factor of telehealth.
DePuccio, 2022 ¹⁹³	Interviewees elaborated on the new responsibilities of MAs and nurses in preparing patients for virtual visits, which prior to the COVID-19 pandemic, r Repurposed: Physicians describing the changing roles and responsibilities of staff to support telemedicine
Di Lalla, 2021 ¹⁹⁴	IO practitioners also described how patients unfamiliar
Di Lorito, 2021 ¹⁹⁵	with or wary of the online process eventually became interested,
Donovan, 2021 ¹⁹⁸	even enthusiastic, about the process
Dozieres-Puyravel, 2021 ¹⁹⁹	These non-specific effects of treatment became more apparent
Due, 2021 ²⁰¹	as patients became actively involved by learning and self administering the treatments at home
Feijt, 2020 ²⁰⁵	One of the barriers identified by practitioners was the difficulty
Finn, 2021 ²⁰⁸	inmoving treatments from the in-person clinical setting
Franzosa, 2021 ²¹¹	in the oncology department to the patients' home
Frayn, 2021 ²¹³	What safety issues did you
Gabe-Walters, 2021 ²¹⁷	experience delivering care
Gilbert, 2021 ²²³	via telehealth? Difficult to assess thoroughly
Goddard, 2020 ²²⁴	What safety issues did you
Godfrey, 2021 ²²⁵	experience delivering care
Goldberg, 2021 ²²⁷	via telehealth? Falls risk
Gomez, 2021 ²²⁸	What things helped you the most to deliver physiotherapy care via
Granberg, 2021 ²²⁹	telehealth? Patient willingness and engagement
Gullslett, 2021 ²³¹	What safety issues did you
Hardy, 2021 ²³⁸	experience delivering care
Hunter, 2021 ²⁴⁸	via telehealth? Unsupervised exercise/incorrect technique
Imlach, 2020 ²⁵¹	What barriers did you experience
Isautier, 2020 ²⁵²	delivering physiotherapy care
lyer, 2021 ²⁵⁵	via telehealth? Lack of physical touch

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Jassil, 2022 ²⁵⁸	having a device with larger screen (e.g., desktop, laptop or tablet), a minimum internet bandwidth and
	instruction for them to follow.
	As a result, these participants felt that having access to the tele-exercise classes provided them with the
	much-needed support to engage in physical activity and helped to increase their motivation to keep active
	during this challenging period
	The tele-exercise classes gave them something to look forward to and enabled them to interact with others,
	as well as expand their social networks, which appeared to help them cope with the social isolation caused by
	the pandemic
	One of the advantages of tele-exercise classes that was reported by a few participants was feeling less self-
	conscious and intimidated by their peers, compared to attending in-person classes at the gym. These
	participants did not feel they were being judged because of their physical limitations or feel they were in
Lawrence and at 0004259	competition with others in the tele-exercise classes
Javanparast, 2021 ²⁵⁹	What barriers did you experience
Javanparast, 2021 ²⁶⁰	delivering physiotherapy care
Jimenez-Rodriguez, 2020 ²⁶¹	via telehealth? Poor room setup
Johnson, 2021 ²⁶³	Continuum of Acceptance of Telehealth
Kang, 2020 ²⁶⁶	Benefits or Detractors
Kang, 2021 ²⁶⁷	Participants emphasized that they liked being able to see the nurse and perceived greater accessibility
	regarding scheduling visits
Kolin, 2021 ²⁷⁴	it would be helpful if the complexity of connecting to the virtual platform and WiFi connectivity issues could be
	resolved.
Krawczyk, 2021 ²⁷⁷	Another area of satisfaction among participants was the ability to discuss their concerns with their telehealth
	nurse. The consistency of having the same telehealth nurse at each VNV was also appreciated
Krok-Schoen, 2021 ²⁷⁸	Telehealth and teleconferencing provides benefits to both staff and patients but some patients are not served
	well by it
LaRoche, 2021 ²⁸³	Patient-friendly, no travel time, no need to mobilize family for travels
Luckett, 2021 ²⁹⁰	Through apps possible to draw attention to important aspects of disease or treatment
Macchi, 2021 ²⁹⁴	Poor availability of patients by phone
Malden, 2021 ²⁹⁶	No difference in payment of remote and physical consultations
Marshall, 2021 ³⁰⁰	Many decision moments while insufficient information available
Martin, 2021 ³⁰¹	Continued willingness of organization to speed up ehealth
Murphy, 2021 ³¹¹	More often use of telephone consultations, replacing physical contacts
Nagra, 2021 ³¹⁵	Eye-opener for patients
Neumann-Podczaska, 2021 ³¹⁷	Combination of telephone consultations and electronic PROM
Newman-Casey, 2021 ³¹⁸	Full day telephone or video consultations is exhausting
Pagano, 2021 ³²³	All participants described their experience of the telephone consultation as positive, and as good as in-person
	care, with regard to communication, building rapport and information sharing.
Parkinson, 2021 ³²⁶	Satisfaction: travel and Access - scheduling
Parsons, 2021 ³²⁷	Positive Perceptions: Patients do not have to travel, find parking, or sit in waiting rooms
Philip, 2020 ³³⁰	Positive Perceptions: Provides RDNs with an opportunity to "look into" a patient's refrigerator/pantry to better
	understand home environment and diet
Pogorzelska-Maziarz, 2021 ³³¹ 2021 ³³¹	Positive Perceptions: Patients more likely to keep appointments

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Robinson, 2021 ³⁴⁴	Positive Perceptions: Staff members able to continue seeing full caseload of outpatients during pandemic
	quarantine
Ross, 2021 ³⁴⁸	Positive Perceptions: Allows Registered Dietitian Nutritionists (RDNs) to provide timely patient services while
	patients remain safe at home
Saliba-Gustafsson, 2020354	Expressions about
Samuels-Kalow, 2022 ⁴²⁸	Recommendations included phone and technical support, including detailed instruction on the use of the
	platform via phone call with video tutorials and step-by-step instructions
	Suggested solutions included providing detailed training and technical support for families accessing
	telehealth ser- vices, with video options
	Some Spanish-speaking families suggested that the clinic assist families without resources by allowing them
	to borrow technology similarly to what is being done by some schooling systems
	Several participants commented on how older individuals may struggle more with virtual visits
San Juan, 2021 ³⁵⁵	a hybrid model of care delivery could combine the advantages of face-to-face care, including developing the
	therapeutic relationship, with the advantages of remote care, such as flexibility and reduced need for travel
	A blend of face-to-face and digital support groups was also identified as beneficial to balance the advantages
	of both methods, with face-to-face perceived as facilitating stronger interpersonal connections, whereas
	online groups provided greater flexibility and anonymity, which was sometimes preferred
	One person additionally stated that NHS crisis helplines did not offer support in different languages despite
	being promoted in several languages
	Several participants identified aspects of telemental health that they would like to see incorporated into their
	care in the future
	Overall, however, many participants expressed a preference to return to face-to-face for relational
	appointments such as psychological therapy in the future
	Needs not being met by helplines which were thought to be available 24/7 was perceived as a risk to personal safety
	There were also reports of people feeling that non-verbal signals of escalating distress and agitation were
	being missed by clinicians, particularly over the telephone, potentially leading to safety concerns
	Some people described feeling unsafe during remote consultations either due to a lack of privacy and safety
	at home, and this sometimes led to a pause in treatment
Schoebel, 2021 ³⁵⁹	the use of virtual
Searby, 2021 ³⁶¹	visits with
Sharma, 2022 ³⁶⁷	Lack of skill in operating technology prevented them from feeling comfortable utilizing video appointments
, -	Many participants who themselves felt comfortable with technology expressed concern that elderly family
	members would struggle
	Most participants used the portal and found it to be mostly user-friendly
	Of participants who expressed they had low digital literacy nearly all struggled with the portal or did not use it.
	A few participants had trouble accessing the teleconferencing application required for video appointments
	from the portal.
	Many participants believed that, although their medical concerns could be addressed virtually, seeing their
	provider f2f would confer a diagnostic and therapeutic benefit
	fear of who might be listening in on either end of a video appointment
	fear of who otherwise might have access to the content of a video appointment
Shklarski, 2021 ³⁶⁹	patients

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Silviero, 2021 ³⁷²	many women recognised the importance of mental health as well as physical health during pregnancy,
	childbirth, the post- natal period, and during the COVID-19 pandemic
	Whilst many women understood why appointments were changing so rapidly, concern often arose about the
	lack of in-person care, in re- lation to the growth and wellbeing of the baby during pregnancy or of their
	newborn infant
	Many women expressed they had less postnatal care than expected, and often felt mental health care was
	lacking
	virtual care was often discussed as an inappropriate medium through which to conduct health checks,
	especially postnatally, during which time both newborns and new mothers required attention
Singla, 2022 ³⁷⁵	With COVID-19 restrictions resulting in children and spouses learning and working remotely, these
-	participants stated the need to overcome a lack of the privacy to participate, especially while
	needing to homeschool children, or while living in a small space
Sloan, 2022 ³⁷⁷	Clinicians significantly over-estimated the convenience for patients compared with patient views and many
	patients reported that they weren't given appointment times for telemedicine in the same way as for face-to-
	face, leading to greater inconvenience for some.
	Administrative staff triaging and 'gate-keeping' was particularly disliked; and there were reports of being made
	to feel 'like I was making a fuss' or being refused access, sometimes with life-threatening consequences
	Cost-cutting, clinical need or choice?
Sloan, 2022 ³⁷⁸	Administrative barriers were frequently encountered by patients, often without clinicians' knowledge: 'Counted
	andtried 121 times to get through to GPs'
Smith-MacDonald, 2022 ³⁸⁰	Participants questioned how to best manage client disclosures of suicidal ideation, intent of harm to self or
	others, or domestic violence. Dealing with such situations was identified as the primary reason that using
	digital health was uncomfortable and anxiety provoking
Smithson, 2021 ³⁸¹	building and maintaining relationships between family and healthcare providers.
Snyder, 2021 ³⁸³	standardized COVID-19 messaging
Srinivasan, 2020 ³⁸⁴	pandemic-related goals
Stanhope, 2022 ³⁸⁵	Despite the noted convenience of phone visits and noted inconveniences of in-person visits, the majority of
	women preferred inperson visits for the opportunity to be physically checked.
	one patient who did not want phone visits to be part of care for a future pregnancy
	Another described missing the reassurance of ultrasounds.
	another patient described frustration after coming to her doctor with pain and being assumed to have a
	sexually transmitted disease (STD)
Stewart, 2021 ³⁸⁷	benefits of telehealth
Stifani, 2021 ³⁸⁸	drawbacks to telehealth
Subotic, 2020 ³⁸⁹	The facilitator experienced online delivery as more challenging than in-person, with some unanticipated
	issues.
Taylor, 2021 ⁴²⁹	Although a smaller group may make a difference, the facilitator thought that this was not likely because of the
	constraints imposed by the technology on the spontaneity and flow of conversation.
Treitler, 2021 ³⁹³	The facilitator also found it difficult to monitor the facial expressions and body language of individual
	participants when the video material was being shared on screen because of the minimized screens (and thus
	the size of participants' faces).
Triantafillou, 2021 ³⁹⁴	During weekly supervision, the therapist expressed her sense that she may not be getting the key messages
	through to specific participants.

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Tuijt, 2021 ³⁹⁶	The facilitator reflected that the online format mitigated the tendency for participants to look to the leader as
	an expert and seek opinions on what to do in particular situations.
Turchetti, 2021 ³⁹⁷	The attendance was higher than any previous group and all parents stated that they would recommend the
	online group to a friend
Uscher-Pines, 2020 ³⁹⁹	This result was better than our attendance rates for face-to-face groups, as illness in children and participants
	is the main cause of missed sessions
Van Dam, 2022 ⁴⁰³	Most participants expressed that telehealth can be a very good service and most preferred telehealth over face-to- face consultations.
	Participants largely preferred the convenience of telehealth for routine consultations, but many indicated that
	a consultation to discuss a new diagnosis or one requiring a physical examination was better face to face.
	Appropriate telehealth also related to being comfortable at home, as this led to more robust conversations with health care professionals.
	Most participants reported having to wait for their consultation, but observed it was often for less time than for
	a face-to- face consultation and it was more convenient because it was in the comfort of their own homes.
	Some participants expressed concerns that being on the phone could lead to losing the personal and practical
	connection with their health care professional, who may not understand the context surrounding the participant's illness/es.
	Some participants mentioned that the social interactions with their health care professionals had been
	diminished and this created a further sense of disconnection.
	Most participants expressed that they felt that their privacy was protected through telehealth methods.
	Most participants did not think that maintaining confidentiality was a concern.
	It was mentioned that protecting patient privacy could be a problem if the participant engaged in a telehealth consultation in a public space.
van Gelder, 2021 ⁴⁰⁵	Parents commented on the benefits of the program, including the immediacy of applying the model
Venville, 2021406	During the post-group interviews parents described the positive improvements in their relationship with their children
Walters, 2022 ⁴⁰⁷	Many participants noted that the COVID-19 contact-limiting protocols shepherded in new policies that patients
	benefited from, with the most well-received change being decreased requirements for in-person treatment
	and increased daily doses of medication to take home
	In addition to increasing medication take-homes, some New York City participants discussed how methadone
	clinics instituted a medication delivery system
	The most well-received changes were increased medication take-home dosages, medication home deliveries,
	and telehealth.
Wilson, 2021 ⁴¹³	Retaining independence and social connectedness
Wood, 2021 ⁴¹⁵	Adapting social connectedness in the face of the pandemic
Yelverton, 2021 ⁴¹⁶	Managing social connections within and through the group intervention
Zhu, 2021 ⁴²⁰	Teleconsultation as a tool to limit follow-up interruptions.

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	virtual care was often discussed as an inappropriate medium through which to conduct health checks, especially postnatally, during which time both newborns and new mothers required attention
Allison, 2022 ¹⁴¹	Although only five adolescents interviewed had alone time with the provider during their telehealth visit, when asked if finding privacy would be challenging when at home most were not concerned about confidentiality
	adolescents gaining access to their own patient portal (i.e., a secure virtual platform where patients can communicate with their providers or view their medical information) at 13 years old aided in providing confidential health care services and fostered feelings of autonomy for the adolescent adolescents generally reported being comfortable with time alone with the provider
Van Dam, 2022 ⁴⁰³	Most participants expressed that they felt that their privacy was protected through telehealth methods. Most participants did not think that maintaining confidentiality was a concern. It was mentioned that protecting patient privacy could be a problem if the participant engaged in a telehealth consultation in a public space.
Ladin, 2021 ²⁸¹	Patients worried about quality care and home diagnostics Patients appreciated the relaxed home environment and reducing COVID-19 risks
Barton, 2022 ¹⁵⁴	Telehealth had value, but generally perceived as inferior to inperson care Challenges related to assessment, diagnosis, 'hands on' treatment, observation, communication, and technology
Stanhope, 2022 ³⁸⁵	Another described missing the reassurance of ultrasounds. another patient described frustration after coming to her doctor with pain and being assumed to have a sexually transmitted disease (STD)
San Juan, 2021 ³⁵⁵	Needs not being met by helplines which were thought to be available 24/7 was perceived as a risk to personal safety There were also reports of people feeling that non-verbal signals of escalating distress and agitation were being missed by clinicians, particularly over the telephone, potentially leading to safety concerns Some people described feeling unsafe during remote consultations either due to a lack of privacy and safety at home, and this sometimes led to a pause in treatment

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Jassil, 2022 ²⁵⁸	As a result, these participants felt that having access to the tele-exercise classes provided them with the much-needed support to engage in physical activity and helped to increase their motivation to keep active during this challenging period The tele-exercise classes gave them something to look forward to and enabled them to interact with others, as well as expand their social networks, which appeared to help them cope with the social isolation caused by the pandemic One of the advantages of tele-exercise classes that was reported by a few participants was feeling less self-
	conscious and intimidated by their peers, compared to attending in-person classes at the gym. These participants did not feel they were being judged because of their physical limitations or feel they were in competition with others in the tele-exercise classes
Singla, 2022 ³⁷⁵	With COVID-19 restrictions resulting in children and spouses learning and working remotely, these participants stated the need to overcome a lack of the privacy to participate, especially while needing to homeschool children, or while living in a small space
Sharma, 2022 ³⁶⁷	Many participants believed that, although their medical concerns could be addressed virtually, seeing their provider f2f would confer a diagnostic and therapeutic benefit fear of who might be listening in on either end of a video appointment fear of who otherwise might have access to the content of a video appointment
Sloan, 2021	Clinicians significantly over-estimated the convenience for patients compared with patient views and many patients reported that they weren't given appointment times for telemedicine in the same way as for face-to-face, leading to greater inconvenience for some. Administrative staff triaging and 'gate-keeping' was particularly disliked; and there were reports of being made to feel 'like I was making a fuss' or being refused access, sometimes with life-threatening consequences
Dennet, 2021 ¹⁹²	For some participants, the lack of access to the physical environment and lack of physical contact with the health professional for the purpose of examination or demonstration were a limiting factor of telehealth.
Smith-Mac-Donald ³⁸⁰	Participants questioned how to best manage client disclosures of suicidal ideation, intent of harm to self or others, or domestic violence. Dealing with such situations was identified as the primary reason that using digital health was uncomfortable and anxiety provoking
Sloan, 2022 ³⁷⁸	Administrative barriers were frequently encountered by patients, often without clinicians' knowledge: 'Counted andtried 121 times to get through to GPs'
Mozes, 2002 ³⁰⁹	Wait times for telehealth appointments were too long

 Table D.21. Author defined satisfaction and dissatisfaction identified in quantitative studies (Key Question 3)

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Adams, 2021 ¹³⁷	My doctor can get a good understanding of my current health
	My doctor answers my questions
	My doctor deals with my problems
	I can explain my medical problems
	Telehealth is as satisfying as talking in person
	My doctor can get a good understanding of my current health
	My doctor answers my questions
	My doctor deals with my problems
	I can explain my medical problems
	Telehealth is as satisfying as talking in person
	My doctor can get a good understanding of my current health
	My doctor answers my questions
	My doctor deals with my problems
	I can explain my medical problems
	Telehealth is as satisfying as talking in person
	My health is better
	My health is better
	My health is better
	I can always trust it to work
	My privacy is protected during consults
	I would continue to use telemedicine after COVID-19
	I can always trust it to work
	My privacy is protected during consults
	I would continue to use telemedicine after COVID-19
	I can always trust it to work
	My privacy is protected during consults
	I would continue to use telemedicine after COVID-19
	My doctor engages me in my care
	I am more involved in my care
	I follow my doctor's advice better
	My doctor engages me in my care
	I am more involved in my care
	I follow my doctor's advice better
	My doctor engages me in my care
	I am more involved in my care
	I follow my doctor's advice better
	Telehealth is a convenient form of healthcare for me
	In general, I am satisfied
	Telehealth is a convenient form of healthcare for me
	In general, I am satisfied
	Telehealth is a convenient form of healthcare for me
	In general, I am satisfied
	I manage my health and medical needs better
	I manage my health and medical needs better
	I manage my health and medical needs better

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Al Izzi, 2020 ¹³⁸	Has your opinion on the applicability of virtual clinics for Maxillofacial Surgery changed in the wake of the COVID-19
	pandemic?
	Do you think that you would continue to incorporate virtual clinic technology in your clinical practice post-COVID-19,
	assuming face to face consultations could return to preCOVID-19 levels?
Aleboyeh, 2021 ¹³⁹	successful visit
Alkureeishi, 2021 ¹⁴⁰	video visits compared to in-person visits: more documentation time
	video visits compared to in-person visits: more visit time
	video visits compared to in-person visits: more preparation time
	video visits compared to in-person visits: more patient trust
	video visits compared to in-person visits: more level of distraction
	video visits compared to in-person visits: more shared decision making
	video visits compared to in-person visits: more connection with patients
	video visits compared to telephone visits: more documentation time
	video visits compared to telephone visits: more visit time
	video visits compared to telephone visits: more preparation time
	video visits compared to telephone visits: more patient trust
	video visits compared to telephone visits: more level of distraction
	video visits compared to telephone visits: more shared decision making
	video visits compared to telephone visits: more connection with patients
Atay, 2021 ¹⁴⁷	prefer TM: need to keep abortion a secret from partner or family
	prefer TM: i would rather keep my abortion private
	prefer TM: I would be more comfortable at home
	prefer TM: coronavirus
	prefer TM: I would rather take care of my own abortion
	prefer TM: It is hard to access abortion because of childcare
	prefer TM: I would rather have my partner or friend with me during the process
	prefer TM: stigma
	prefer TM: other reason
	prefer TM: abusive partner
	prefer TM: I find it empowering
	prefer TM: undocumented immigrant
Baadjou, 2020 ¹⁴⁸	Clinicians reported moderate importance of having an already established therapeutic relationship for the quality of
	rehabilitation via videoconferencing
	Pre-COVID only moderately comfortable with videoconferencing
	After 4 weeks of experience, the clinicians reported feeling much more comfortable
	with videoconferencing
	effort needed to switch to videoconferencing was perceived as relatively low
	Prior to the COVID-19 pandemic, the clinicians reported moderate dread of the use of videoconferencing in pain
	rehabilitation
	MDs report overall moderate to high confidence with TH
	MDs report moderate to high satisfaction
	clinicians reported it was likely that they would continue to use videoconferencing for pain rehabilitation after the
	COVID-19 pandemic

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Banks, 2021 ¹⁴⁹	How was your overall experience having an appt over the telephone? Pre-COVID - excellent
	How was your overall experience having an appt over the telephone? Pre-COVID - good
	How was your overall experience having an appt over the telephone? Pre-COVID - fair
	How was your overall experience having an appt over the telephone? Pre-COVID - poor
Barba, 2021 ¹⁵⁰	was the telephone interview useful to check your state of health?
	was the telephone interview an adequate healthcare tool in consideration of covid-19 outbreak?
	could the telephone interview replace the conventional visit?
Barsom, 2021 ¹⁵²	If I would have needed technical support, then I knew where and how I could ask for it
	"In general, I am satisfied with the quality of the video connection
	I think patients are able to use a VC
	I have discussed everything I needed to discuss during the video consultation
	I have discussed everything I needed to discuss during the video consultation
	I think it is easy to use a VC
	Even when this pandemic is over, I would like to use a video consult with my healthcare provider in the future
	Even when this pandemic is over, I would like to use a video consult with my healthcare provider in the future
	The equipment I needed to use a VC was available
	The use of VC fits the current workflow at the outpatient clinic
	I think this video consultation had the same value as if I had a physical appointment at the hospital
	I think video consultation is a good solution to continue the provision of healthcare during this pandemic
	I would recommend a video consult to other patients/ providers (who provider care to patients) who are not able or not
	allowed to attend a physical appointment at the hospital
	I am satisfied with the care I received during the video consult
	I think this video consultation had the same value as if I had a physical appointment at the hospital
	I think video consultation is a good solution to continue the provision of healthcare during this pandemic
	I would recommend a video consult to other patients/ providers (who provider care to patients) who are not able or not
	allowed to attend a physical appointment at the hospital
	I am satisfied with the care I received during the video consult
	In general, I was able to assess the healthcare condition of my patients over a video connection
D (1 000 (15)	In general, I was able to assess the state of mind of my patients over a video connection
Barth, 2021 ¹⁵³	Overall satisfaction with consultation(s) with a physician
	Overall satisfaction with consultation(s) with a physician
	Overall satisfaction with consultation(s) with a therapist
	Overall satisfaction with consultation(s) with a therapist

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Bate, 2021 ¹⁵⁵	perceived engagement
	felt safer being able to see their clinician through telehealth
	time saved: clinical consultation
	time saved: additional admin for clinicians
	time saved: additional admin for non-clinicians
	overall time saved
	Overall quality of telehealth
	willingness to use again
	perceived standard of care
Belcher, 2021 ¹⁵⁶	Actual experience with telehealth after their March and April 2020 experience
Bennell, 2021 ¹⁵⁸	
Bhuva, 2020 ¹⁶⁰	very satisfied with telemedicine
	satisfied with telemedicine
	neutral with telemedicine
	dissatisfied by telemedicine
	very dissatisfied by telemedicine
	rather have telemedicine
	over in-person appointments
	prefer telemedicine over in-person
Birkhoff, 2021 ¹⁶¹	I was satisfied with the ability to see and talk to my nurse through this virtual nurse visit.
	I would like to see the virtual nurse visit used more often in my plan of care.
	I think I would use this system frequently
	I would recommend this virtual nurse visit to other patients like me.
	I was satisfied with the education I received on how to use Zoom for this virtual nurse visit.
Bos, 2021 ¹⁶³	I would all use TCs next year
	I would recommend TCs to my colleagues
	TCs offer added value in the treatment of my parents
	I find the me expenditure of TCs acceptable
	I am motivated for TCs
	I find the energy expenditure for TCs acceptable
	I find it easy to use TCs
	I am satisfied with the use of TCs
Cavagna, 2020 ¹⁷⁵	Willingness to do TM
-	Preferring to do TM over in person
Champion, 2021 ¹⁷⁶	usefulness of the appointment
•	quality of patient education received at the appointment
	ease of scheduling the appointment
	ease of attending the appointment

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Chen, 2021 ¹⁷⁸	Effectiveness in asking/relaying questions/concerns
	Effectiveness of doctor answering
	questions/concerns
	Effectiveness of patient communicating
	questions/concerns
	Difficulty in arranging telehealth visit
	Difficulty in coordinating and setting up telehealth
	visits
	Confidence in accuracy of diagnoses/assessments
	Overall satisfaction with telehealth visit
	In absence of COVID-19, prefer telehealth to in-person,
	n (%)
	Overall satisfaction with telehealth visit
	Will continue to use telehealth after COVID-19
	pandemic
Costa, 2021 ¹⁸⁵	prefer in person to video sessions
	prefer video to in person sessions
	would like to continue seeing their mental health care provider by video sessions after the stay at home
	recommendations are lifted
Cronin, 2020 ¹⁸⁷	satisfaction with the telephone follow-up in comparison to a hypothetical face-to-face encounter
Dahl-Popolizio, 2020 ¹⁸⁸	I had fewer no-shows for telehealth visits than I usually have for in-person visits
	I was able to achieve established patient goals via telehealth
	I achieved similar health outcomes using telehealth as I would have expected in person
	In my professional opinion, telehealth is an effective platform for the delivery of OT services
	Telehealth should be a treatment platform option for the delivery of OT services permanently for those conditions that
	can be treated successfully via telehealth
	I was able to be sufficiently productive using telehealth
	I was satisfied with telehealth as a delivery platform
	I would recommend telehealth as a service delivery platform to my friends and family members
	Patients were satisfied with telehealth as a delivery platform
	Caregivers were satisfied with telehealth as a delivery platform
Datta, 2021 ¹⁹⁰	reported very high satisfaction from receiving care via telemedicine services
	reported high satisfaction from receiving care via telemedicine services
	reported intermediate satisfaction from receiving care via telemedicine services
	The convenience of using the secure video platform integrated into the electronic medical record system was
	regarded as being "very easy"
	The convenience of using the secure video platform integrated into the electronic medical record system was
	regarded as being "intermediate"
	The convenience of using the secure video platform integrated into the electronic medical record system was
	regarded as being "difficult"
	definitely to continue care via the telemedicine format after the pandemic is no longer a concern
	would prefer a face-to-face assessment if their symptoms worsen

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Di Lalla, 2021 ¹⁹⁴	radiation oncologists satisfactorily explained treatments by TM
	liked that initial consultation was conducted by TM
	dissatisfied by TM
	satisfaction with initial appointment
Dinuzzi, 2021 ¹⁹⁷	Satisfaction (extremely)
	Will use telemedicine again
Dozieres-Puyravel, 2021 ¹⁹⁹	avoids some challenges related to coming to the outpatient department for their disabled child
	satisfied with TC feeling that it allows answering questions in a better manner than a clinic at the hospital
	physician is more distant with TC.
	sparing the time to travel to the hospital as well as the time in the waiting room
	TC could replace clinic on site of the hospital
Dramburg, 2021 ²⁰⁰	impact of TM services on clinical routine
	desire to continue using TM in the future
Erben, 2021 ²⁰³	Patient rating telemedicine visit as very good
Fieux, 2020 ²⁰⁶	I could easily communicate and tell my doctor my health problems
	TH easy to use
	TH saved time
	The teleconsultation made me nervous
	The teleconsultation made me nervous
	I think the consultation was as effective as if it had been at the hospital
	I would use teleconsultation again
	Overall, I was satisfied with the teleconsultation
	TH satisfaction
	great help in context of health crisis
	wish to continue using it after crisis
Finn, 2021 ²⁰⁸	Telehealth Usability Questionnaire Baseline
	Telehealth Usability Questionnaire Endline
	Would wish to continue in person if it were safe
	Would wish to continue with telehealth
Fisher, 2020 ²⁰⁹	Telephone appointment experience
	Video appointment experience
	Telephone appointment experience
	Video appointment experience
Fonseca, 2020 ²¹⁰	it was useful to conduct telephone visits for future follow-up
	would like to try a video call option
	higher percentage of patients with drug resistant-epilepsy preferred face-to-face visits
	satisfied with telephone visits during confinement
	predictor of a better perception of telemedicine in the future: patients with a greater fear for COVID-19
Futterman, 2021 ²¹⁶	mean satisfaction score: telehealth

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Gabe-Walters, 2021 ²¹⁷	I found doing the virtual/phone consultations difficult
	Virtual contact has shown me that I do not need to review patients as
	regularly as I did
	Virtual contact promotes value-based health care
	'Reducing the risk of lymphoedema' assessment sessions could be virtual
	I have discharged more patients over the telephone than I would have
	normally
	All follow-ups could be virtual
	We should continue with the first appointment being virtual/by phone
	after this current period
	patients may be more able to self-manage than
	previously presumed
Gately, 2021 ²¹⁸	ability to hear clearly
	ability to see clearly
	easy to communicate
	comfort with technology
	enough technical assistance
	the process of sharing the story being worthwhile
	having the medical care team read the story will help them provide better treatment
Gava, 2021 ²¹⁹	satisfaction with telemedicine for endocrine care
Gava, 2021 ²¹⁹	satisfaction with telemedicine for mental health care
Greven, 2021 ²³⁰	Do you normally have to take off work for in-person visits?
	How satisfied were you with your visit?
	Compared to previous in-person visits with Dr or a comparable specialist, how would you compare your
	telemedicine visit?
	Would you use telemedicine for a visit in the future?
	For this particular visit (initial visit, follow-up) would you have preferred to have an in-person or a telemedicine visit?
	Do you normally require assistance to get to in-person visits?
	Did your telemedicine visit require you to take off of work?
	Would you feel comfortable proceeding with surgery based on a telemedicine visit alone?
	Would you feel comfortable proceeding with a minor procedure (i.e., injection) based on a telemedicine visit alone?

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Hamad, 2021 ²³⁵	courtesy/respect of provider
	treatment explanation of provider
	ease of teledermatology visit
	ease of teledermatology visit - new
	ease of teledermatology visit - existing
	pre-visit planning
	thoroughness/skillfulness of provider
	length of time with provider
	length of wait time
	personal comfort with using teledermatology
	overall experience using teledermatology
	overall satisfaction - new patients
	overall satisfaction - existing patients
	personal comfort with using teledermatology - new
	personal comfort with using teledermatology - existing
	pre-visit planning - new
	pre-visit planning - existing
Hardy, 2021 ²³⁸	Helpfulness of couple teletherapy training
	Helpfulness of general teletherapy training
	End results of teletherapy appear similar to traditional therapy
	Couples appeared to respond well to teletherapy
	Sense of working effectively with conflict in teletherapy
	Couples' responsiveness to "conflict interruptions"
	Sense of comfort distributing couple teletherapy
	Sense of competence distributing couple teletherapy
	Couples experienced teletherapy similarly to traditional therapy
	Intentionality keeping individual time private from other partner
	How well traditional method(s) work in couple teletherapy
	Likelihood of providing couple teletherapy post-COVID-19
	Likelihood of pursuing additional training post-COVID- 19
	Overall satisfaction with results of couple teletherapy

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Hasson, 2021 ²³⁹	Were able to clarify their physical and mental condition
	Explanation and treatment plan were clear
	Perceived having eye contact with the treating physician
	Felt physician was patiently listening
	Felt all their needs were met
	Felt their concerns were acknowledged
	clear treatment plan
	clear treatment plan
	Reasons to continue TM: felt safer at home
	Reasons to continue TM: reduced risk of covid
	Reasons to continue TM: med treatment was not compromised
	Reasons to continue TM: reduced risk from other infections
	Felt all relevant medical records were available to the physician
	Felt that the absence of an in-person visit harmed their treatment
	same treatment quality
	felt better regarding their concerns
Hentati, 2021 ²⁴¹	Has the coronavirus pandemic changed your desire to be seen in person by a provider?
	Advantages of TH: safety
	Do you think anything was missed or not addressed because you were not seen in person?
	Would you do another virtual visit in the future if the pandemic ends and you could be seen face to face in clinic?
	Do you prefer the virtual visit experience to being seen in person, assuming the same quality of care?
	Do you feel that your needs were met via virtual visit?
	Do you feel that communication in your virtual visit was the same, better, or worse compared to being seen in
	person?
	Advantages of TH: Availability of provider
	Advantages of TH: Convenience
	Advantages of TH: No time off work
	Advantages of TH: No travel
	Advantages of TH: time saving
	Advantages of TH: visit not rushed
	Advantages of TH: none
	Disadvantages of TH: none
	Changes to TH: lower cost
	Changes to TH: Improved scheduling and coordination
	Changes to TH: Improved tech
	Changes to TH: Incorporation of diagnostic testing
	Changes to TH: none
Holcomb, 2020 ²⁴⁵	prefer virtual visits
	needs were met by virtual visit

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Humer, 2020 ²⁴⁶	telephone-based
	psychotherapy is comparable to in-person
	psychotherapy
	actual
	experiences with telephone-based psychotherapy were better
	than previously expected
	web-based psychotherapy is not comparable
	to in-person psychotherapy
	actual
	experiences with web-based psychotherapy were better than
	previously expected
lacopi, 2021 ²⁵⁰	Have you found the contact useful regarding your health condition?
• •	Have you been given useful information for the management of your pathology?
	Do you think that this way of interacting between you and the doctors should be continued even after the end of the
	emergency?
Imlach, 2020 ²⁵¹	Concern about not being seen (video)
	Concern about not being seen (phone)
	All respondents were asked what telehealth services they would like in the future (video)
	All respondents were asked what telehealth services they would like in the future (phone)
	High overall satisfaction with telehealth (video)
	High overall satisfaction with telehealth (phone)
Israilov, 2020 ²⁵³	medical teams were receptive to working with
	TPMVs
Itamura, 2021 ²⁵⁴	Did the care provider give you enough information
	Did the care provider seem to know your medical history
	significantly higher satisfaction scores for patients of in-person visits compared to those of virtual visits for the
	questions regarding careful listening
	significantly higher satisfaction scores for patients of in-person visits compared to those of virtual visits for the
	questions regarding knowledge of the patient's medical history
	Was this method of connecting with a care provider easy to use?
	Did you trust the care provider?
	how likely would you be to recommend this facility to your family and friends?
	significantly higher satisfaction scores for patients of in-person visits compared to those of virtual visits for the
	questions regarding likelihood to recommend to family and friends
lyer, 2021 ²⁵⁵	This video/telephone visit provided me with information similar to an in-person visit
•	This video/telephone visit allowed me to provide information similar to an in-person visit
	Converting to a video/telephone visit allowed me to access care in a difficult time
	Converting to a video /telephone visit allowed me to provide care in a difficult time
	This video/telephone visit allowed me to feel better by limiting exposure to others for virus prevention
	As a result of this visit, I feel more comfortable with using video or telephone visits in the future
	Overall, I feel satisfied with this scheduled visit
	This video/telephone visit allowed me to feel better by limiting exposure to others
	I was satisfied with this scheduled visit

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Jaclyn 2021 ²⁵⁶	High level of convenience
-	Desired frequency of future virtual visits: all visits
	Desired frequency of future virtual visits: most visits
	Desired frequency of future virtual visits: some visits
	Desired frequency of future virtual visits: no visits
	High level of satisfaction
	Felt all issues and concerns were addressed
	adequate time to speak with the care team
Jang, 2021 ²⁵⁷	convenience of the KM telemedicine
	center system
	patient satisfaction score for treatment
	their willingness to recommend
	the KM telemedicine center to acquaintances
	Satisfaction with using telephone
Jimenez-Rodriguez, 2020 ²⁶¹	videoconference consultations are an adequate option for providing healthcare
Johnsen, 2021 ²⁶²	General practitioner's perception of patient satisfaction with video consultation
	Suitability of video consultation compared to a face-to-face consultation for the same reason
	Suitability of video consultation to assess the severity of the main reason for contact compared to a face-to-face
	consultation
	Loss from not being able to examine the patient physically
	Concern about not picking up signs of serious illness
	General practitioner's satisfaction with technology (connection, sound, image)
	Motivation to conduct a video consultation for a similar health problem (reason for contact) in a nonpandemic future
Joughin, 2021 ²⁶⁴	found virtual consultations more convenient than face-to-face
	rated the quality of the consultation as excellent
	rated the quality of the consultation as very good
	rated the quality of the consultation as good
	video consultations were rated adequate to deliver preoperative assessment, medical optimization, and shared
	decision-making
	telephone consultations were rated adequate to deliver preoperative assessment, medical optimization, and shared
	decision-making
Joyce, 2021 ²⁶⁵	numerical rating of program (1 being the worst and 10 best)

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Kang, 2020 ²⁶⁶	Was the quality of the video or call good enough?
	had more confidence in care they received as they were able to see the clinician's face and that they found it easier to
	describe their symptoms
	Did the care provider listen carefully to you?
	Did you know what to do if you have more questions afterwards?
	Were you able to talk to a care provider in a timely manner?
	significantly higher satisfaction scores for patients of in-person visits compared to those of virtual visits for the
	questions regarding patient's satisfaction with the amount of information offered by the provider
	it's easy to join the consultation.
	preferred a video consultation to a face-to-face consultation as it was safer and more convenient
	would recommend video consultations to others
	what number would you use to rate this provider?
	significantly higher satisfaction scores for patients of in-person visits compared to those of virtual visits for the
	questions regarding overall provider rating
Kasturi, 2021 ²⁶⁸	I felt comfortable communicating with my rheumatologist during the telehealth visit
	telehealth is an acceptable way to receive health care services
	telehealth visit was the same quality as an in-person visit
Kaufman, 2021 ²⁶⁹	difficulties using phone counseling: interpersonal or communication difficulties
	difficulties using video counseling: interpersonal or communication difficulties
	median score for organizational difficulties (IQR)
	phone consultation was inferior to usual face-to-face consultation
	phone consultation was similar to face-to-face consultation
	phone consultation was superior to face-to-face consultation
	difficulties using phone counseling: conducting session in home environment
	video consultation was inferior to usual face-to-face consultation
	video consultation was similar to face-to-face consultation
	video consultation was superior to face-to-face consultation
	median score for overall quality (IQR)
	difficulties using video counseling: conducting session in home environment
Kayser, 2021 ²⁷⁰	patient reported satisfaction with clinical assessment
-	patient reported satisfaction with technical aspects
Kazi, 2021 ⁶⁴	Preference for synchronous visits
	Preference for synchronous visits for return patients
	Preference for synchronous visits for complex dermatology patients
	Asynchronous visits preferred by providers (primary reason being better image quality)

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Kenney, 2021 ²⁷¹	Getting list of tests/scans needed
•	Future Visit Preference: All/almost all virtual visits
	Discussing emotional health
	Asking about worrisome symptom
	Learning about prior cancer treatment
	Overall satisfaction: Completely
	Overall satisfaction: Very
	Overall satisfaction: Moderately
	Overall satisfaction: Slightly/Not at all
	Helpfulness compared to in-person visits
	Met clinical care objectives
	Overall satisfaction: Completely
	Overall satisfaction: Very
	Overall satisfaction: Moderately
	Overall satisfaction: Slightly
	Overall satisfaction: Not at all
Klamroth-Marganska, 2021 ²⁷³	experienced it as positive or mostly positive
	experienced it as negative or mostly negative
	occupational therapists experienced telemedicine significantly more positive than midwives
Korecka, 2020 ²⁷⁵	Comparability of psychotherapy via the internet with psychotherapy in personal
	contact was significantly correlated only with the number of patients treated by internet
	Psychotherapists who began to treat a higher number of patients via telephone
	during COVID-19 had more positive actual experiences with psychotherapy via telephone compared
	to previous expectations
	Psychotherapists who began to treat a higher number of patients via internet
	during COVID-19 had more positive actual experiences with psychotherapy via internet compared to
	previous expectations (positive/negative
Koziatek, 2020 ²⁷⁶	satisfaction
	likelihood to recommend
	likelihood to use again
	likelihood to use again
	overall needs met
Kronenberger, 2021 ⁷¹	Could hear the audio well
	Could see the video well
	Testing this way was convenient
	Using the technology was easy
	Satisfied with video quality
	Satisfied with audio quality
	Satisfied with this testing method
	Would choose this testing method

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Lapadula, 2021 ²⁸²	Opportunity to evacuate doubts
	Clearly explained pregnancy
	Doctor's accent was easy to understand
	Doctor was polite and caring
	Easy to talk with doctor
	Overall consult quality
	Composite consult quality score
	Overall consult quality
	Composite consult quality score
	it allowed for good patient interaction
	Privacy and confidentiality were protected
	Satisfaction with Video quality
	Satisfaction with Audio quality
	Satisfaction with Overall quality of videocall
	Satisfaction with Video quality
	Satisfaction with Audio quality
	Satisfaction with Overall quality of videocall
	Good overall consultation quality
	telemedicine system was both reliable and adequate for providing neonatal consults
	telemedicine is an effective way of delivering healthcare information to patients
	agreed that it is comparable in quality with in-person care
	agreed that they felt comfortable providing advice to patients via telemedicine
	agreed with feeling relieved delivering consults through telemedicine
	agreed that their overall feeling about the use of telemedicine for prenatal consultations was good.
	agreed that they had received adequate training in use of the telemedicine system for providing virtual neonatal visits
LaRoche, 2021 ²⁸³	Support for TM provision of medication abortion during the pandemic

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LeBrun, 2021 ²⁸⁵	Did you experience the same degree of attention and interaction with your physician as you would expect in the
	examination room?
	Do you feel that you were able to discuss all or most of your concerns during the consultation?
	What positive things did you experience during the virtual consultation? Opportunity for the physician to assess your
	home environment and how it may affect your recovery
	What negative things did you experience during the virtual consultation? A sense of decreased interpersonal connection with your physician
	Did you find an increase in convenience and flexibility with virtual follow-up care compared with outpatient treatment? Did you find an increase in convenience and flexibility with virtual follow-up care compared with outpatient treatment?
	Compared with in-person visits, how would you rate your personal engagement and attentiveness to your own health
	and recovery?
	How satisfied are you with the support you received during the transition process to TM at HSS?
	Overall, compared with standard outpatient treatment, how would you describe your telemedicine experience? Would you consider continuing telemedicine care in addition to outpatient treatment at HSS?
	Would you consider continuing telemedicine care in addition to outpatient treatment at HSS? What positive things did you experience during the virtual consultation? Less anxiety and stress related to traveling to
	the clinic, navigating the hospital, etc.
	What positive things did you experience during the virtual consultation? Feeling more at ease and in control being in a
	familiar environment
	What positive things did you experience during the virtual consultation? longer appt time
	What negative things did you experience during the virtual consultation? shorter appt time
Lee, 2021 ²⁸⁶	Telehealth provides for my patient's healthcare needs
Lee, 2021	I feel comfortable communicating with the patient using the telehealth system
	Telehealth is an acceptable way to deliver healthcare services
	I would use telehealth services again
	I am overall satisfied with this telehealth system
	It was simple to use this system
	It was easy to learn to use the system
	I believe I could become productive quickly using this system
	The way I interact with this system is pleasant
	I like using the system
	The system is simple and easy to understand
	Overall usability (Total average)
Li, 2021 ²⁸⁸	level of satisfaction with telemedicine visits
Ludwig, 2021 ²⁹¹	would not be willing to use remote med services for future
Lun, 2020 ²⁹²	general satisfaction with TH
Lun, 2020	neutral satisfaction with TH
	maximum satisfaction
	prefer TH in the future for non-urgent follow-up
	satisfaction with virtual clinic
Lynch, 2021 ²⁹³	preference from virtual clinic in the future "If there were no health risks, would you prefer to have your appeience conducted in person?
	"If there were no health risks, would you prefer to have your sessions conducted in person?
	"Telehealth sessions are as good as in-person sessions for receiving the help I want

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Madden, 2020 ²⁹⁵	I am motivated to continue using telehealth in my practice
	Prior to COVID-19 I was motivated to implement telehealth into my practice
Manz, 2021 ²⁹⁷	would have preferred to have their visit conducted via telemedicine if done again, regardless of COVID-19
	reported they would use telemedicine again if offered in the future
	The overall mean satisfaction of telemedicine visits
	Patients establishing care with the provider for the first time via telemedicine had a mean visit satisfaction of
	Telemedicine satisfaction was significantly greater in patients traveling more than 50 miles to the clinic
	Telemedicine satisfaction was significantly greater in patients seeking care for a fracture
	No significant differences in overall telemedicine satisfaction were found in patients grouped by age above or below
	65 years, and those from a region with a median household income more or less than \$55679
	would use telehealth in the future
	virtual physical examination
Margolin, 2021 ²⁹⁸	satisfaction with convenience of the telemedicine encounter
	satisfaction with timeliness and efficiency of the telemedicine encounter
	Given the opportunity, I would choose to have some of their future visits via telemedicine
	satisfaction with shared decision making of the telemedicine encounter
	satisfaction with time spent of the telemedicine encounter
	satisfaction with communication of the telemedicine encounter
	satisfaction with explanations/counseling of the telemedicine encounter
	I was able to discuss sensitive topics about my cancer care
	I preferred a telemedicine visit, rather than an in-person visit
	The care I received is as good as the care I would receive at an in-person visit.
	satisfaction with overall telemedicine encounter
	satisfaction with communication of the telemedicine encounter
	satisfaction with explanations/counseling of the telemedicine encounter
	I was able to discuss sensitive topics about my cancer care
	I preferred a telemedicine visit, rather than an in-person visit
	The care I received is as good as the care I would receive at an in-person visit.

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Martin, 2021 ³⁰¹	relationship with client worsened during TH
	relationship with client stayed the same during TH
	telephone counseling was less comfortable than in-person
	telephone counseling was as comfortable than in-person
	telephone counseling was more comfortable than in-person
	telephone counseling was less convenient than in-person
	telephone counseling was as convenient than in-person
	telephone counseling was more convenient than in-person
	telephone counseling addressed client anxiety less than in-person counseling
	telephone counseling addressed client anxiety same than in-person counseling
	telephone counseling addressed client anxiety more than in-person counseling
	telephone counseling addressed client depression less than in-person counseling
	telephone counseling addressed client depression same than in-person counseling
	telephone counseling addressed client depression more than in-person counseling
	telephone counseling addressed client anger less than in-person counseling
	telephone counseling addressed client anger same than in-person counseling
	telephone counseling addressed client anger more than in-person counseling
	telephone counseling addressed client substance less than in-person counseling
	telephone counseling addressed client substance same than in-person counseling
	telephone counseling addressed client substance more than in-person counseling
	telephone counseling addressed client recovery less than in-person counseling
	telephone counseling addressed client recovery same than in-person counseling
	telephone counseling addressed client recovery more than in-person counseling
	Overall satisfaction with TH: very dissatisfied/dissatisfied
	Overall satisfaction with TH: neither
	Overall satisfaction with TH: very satisfied/satisfied
Masi, 2021 ³⁰²	I believe that telehealth services work well for my child
	I am satisfied with the telehealth services on offer
Melian, 2021 ³⁰⁴	overall satisfaction: telephone
	overall satisfaction: in-person
	consult preference: checkup
	consult preference: initial consult
	consult preference: postoperative
	consult preference: total
Meno, 2021 ³⁰⁵	Preference for future telehealth visits
	my information was securely transmitted during my telehealth visit
	Telehealth is better or no difference
	I felt very comfortable with my telehealth visit
	Telehealth is better or no difference
	Telehealth is better or no difference

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Mertz, 2021 ³⁰⁶	electronic medical record-assisted telephone follow-up (E-TFU) doctors had understood their needs
	they had understood the medical advice received during the E-TFU
	had an opportunity to ask for clarifications
	it would have been easy to undergo E-TFU instead of standard follow-up
	satisfied with the duration
	would like to have a future E-TFU in a nonemergency situation
	agreed with the medical decision to replace the standard FU visit with E-TFU in the absence of a real sign of
	emergency to minimize hospital exposure
	Overall satisfied when comparing E-TFU with a standard FU visit.
	pandemic phase II was correlated with satisfaction with E-TFU
Miller, 2021 ³⁰⁷	Satisfaction with getting connected with you telehealth PT session
	Satisfaction with using telehealth tech once you were connected with your PT session
	Satisfaction with hearing and being heard during your telehealth PT session
	Satisfaction with seeing and being seen during your telehealth PT session
	Satisfaction with feeling safe during your telehealth PT session
	Satisfaction with feeling comfortable during your telehealth PT session
	Satisfaction with your telehealth PT or PT assistant
	Satisfaction with the additional information shar4ed in the telehealth PT session
	Satisfaction with how the telehealth PT session met your needs/expectations
	Satisfaction with your overall PT session
Mohammed, 2021 ³⁰⁸	integrate well into daily workflow
Mohammed, 2021 ³⁰⁸	lack of integration with their
	current EMR
	overall satisfaction - very satisfied
	overall satisfaction - satisfied
	overall satisfaction - neutral
	overall satisfaction - dissatisfied
	overall satisfaction - very dissatisfied
	concerned with patients
	overusing the virtual service
Mrugala, 2021 ³¹⁰	Has switching to TM resulted in positive patient outcomes: quality of care
	Has switching to TM resulted in positive patient outcomes: quality of care
	virtual meetings, including tumor boards, were very helpful
	increased satisfaction of patients and families

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Mustafa, 2020 ³¹²	prefer in-person: I prefer a more personal interaction
	Overall, I was satisfied with my telemedicine encounter: strongly disagree
	Overall, I was satisfied with my telemedicine encounter: disagree
	Overall, I was satisfied with my telemedicine encounter: neutral
	Overall, I was satisfied with my telemedicine encounter: agree
	Overall, I was satisfied with my telemedicine encounter: strongly agree
	My telemedicine encounter was as satisfactory as an in-person evaluation would have been: strongly disagree
	My telemedicine encounter was as satisfactory as an in-person evaluation would have been: disagree
	My telemedicine encounter was as satisfactory as an in-person evaluation would have been: neutral
	My telemedicine encounter was as satisfactory as an in-person evaluation would have been: agree
	My telemedicine encounter was as satisfactory as an in-person evaluation would have been: strongly agree
	most important reason you would prefer in-person encounter: in person care allows for a more personal interaction
	and more guestions
	most important reason you would prefer a video/phone encounter: more convenient
	most important reason you would prefer a video/phone encounter: easier for an acute visit
	most important reason you would prefer a video/phone encounter: quicker access to an appt
	overall, I was satisfied with my encounter: video
	overall, I was satisfied with my encounter: phone
	most important reason you would prefer a video/phone encounter: routine FU or simple visit
	most important reason you would prefer a video/phone encounter: feel safer during covid pandemic
	most important reason you would prefer a video/phone encounter: safer option when I am feeling sick
	most important reason you would prefer a video/phone encounter: no testing or exam needed
	most important reason you would prefer a video/phone encounter: only if dr's office is closed
	most important reason you would prefer in-person encounter: in person care is better for serious conditions
	most important reason you would prefer in-person encounter: i have a greater comfort level in person
Nagra, 2021 ³¹⁵	how comfortable respondents felt undertaking remote consultations
Neumann-Podczaska, 2021 ³¹⁷	Do you feel sufficient care and concern were provided during the consultation?
Neumann-Podczaska, 2021 ³¹⁷	Do you feel sufficient care and concern were provided during the consultation?
	has the consultation provided you with sufficient information regarding your treatment?
	has the consultation helped you with the reported complaints?
	would you take part in the consultation again?
Newman-Casey, 2021 ³¹⁸	How would you rate your satisfaction with your eye care during the COVID-19 epidemic
Newman-Casey, 2021	How much of the time do you worry about your eyesight
Padala, 2020 ³²²	expressed willingness to participate in telemedicine
Fauala, 2020	capable and willing to participate in telemedicine
Parikh, 2021 ³²⁴	
	My patients seem satisfied with receiving care through video visits
Park, 2021 ³²⁵	I felt I was able to express myself effectively as in-person visits
	I can explain patients' medical conditions well enough as in-person visits
	I think patients can understand their condition during telemedicine as in-person visits
	I would use telemedicine services again
	Overall satisfaction

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Peahl, 2021 ³²⁹	Virtual visits improve access to health services.
	I think having a blood pressure cuff is important for virtual prenatal care.
	I think having a fetal Doppler is important for virtual prenatal care.
	I was able to express myself effectively during virtual visits.
	The quality of virtual visits is the same as in-person care.
	I think the virtual visits are as safe as in-person visits.
	I felt well-prepared to do virtual visits.
	I think virtual visits are a positive change for patients.
	I am satisfied with doing virtual visits.
	After COVID-19, I would like to continue virtual visits.
Peden, 2020 ⁴³³	I would recommend virtual visits to friends & family
	I would like to use virtual visits for other types of care
	My need & expectations for standards of care were met by having this visit online
Pooni, 2021 ³³²	engaging the patient or patient caregiver to help
	conduct components of the virtual exam
	patient
	engagement did not change via telemedicine
	they felt that telemedicine
	moderately worsened patient engagement when compared
	to in-person clinical visits
	telemedicine significantly worsened engagement
	telemedicine improved patient engagement
	not able to elicit all the pertinent information
	needed to make a complete clinical assessment
	telemedicine did
	not change their (self-perceived) level of burnout
	increase in burnout
Popova, 2021 ³³³	visit rating questionnaire for TH visits
	visit rating questionnaire for in person visits
	overall opinion of TH visit
	overall opinion of in person visit

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Puteikis, 2021334	Patient complaints and medical history are collected reliably
	I missed some data or clinical findings because
	of providing telehealth rather than in person
	services
	Reasons for worsening in the patients' condition during the pandemic (1—almost
	never, 3—in
	half cases, 5—almost
	always): worse availability of in-person consultations
	Treatment can be initiated or adjusted appropriately
	Prescriptions for current treatment can be reliably renewed
	I managed to provide consultations of usual quality
	for most of my patients
	I provided services for a smaller number of patients
	than usually
	I provided services for a smaller number of patients
	than usually
	They are as effective as in-person
	consultations
	They are as effective as in-person
	consultations
	Seizure semiology may be investigated equally well as
	in-persona di su
	telehealth usefulness score
Rahman, 2021 ³³⁵	satisfaction scores based on patient categories: new
	satisfaction scores based on patient categories: follow up
Rametta, 2020 ³³⁶	Family interested in telemedicine in the future
	Satisfaction with telemedicine encounter
	Incorporating telemedicine into follow-up
Reid, 2020 ³³⁸	Satisfaction with V-PED
	V-PED site visit was able to address their concerns
	Overall satisfaction with V-PED
	Telephone: satisfied or highly satisfied
	Telephone: goals of the encounter were completed successfully
	Telephone: Encounter successfully replaced in-person visit
	Video: satisfied or highly satisfied
	Video: goals of the encounter were completed successfully
	Video: Encounter successfully replaced in-person visit
	would complete another telemedicine encounter again, if given the chance
Rosengard, 2021 ³⁴⁶	Did you believe a telephone visit was an effective way to get your epilepsy care
	Did you believe a video visit was an effective way to get your epilepsy care
Rush, 2021 ³⁵⁰	reported that telemedicine was an acceptable service model and were satisfied with the quality
	felt comfortable using telemedicine
	would use telemedicine again

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Sagar, 2021 ³⁵²	Audio quality
-	Punctuality
	Comfort with telephone consult
	Duration of consultation is just right
	Clear plan
	Prefer telephone visit if had choice next time
	TP clinics continue post COVID-19
	Audio quality
	the ability to conduct thorough patient assessment better than face-to-face
	Telephone clinic prevent you making definitive patient plans
	a video appointment have been preferable to voice alone
	TP clinics continue post COVID-19
	Overall experience
	Overall experience
Salehi, 2020 ³⁵³	Concern on certain aspects of the physical examination
	Telemedicine lacks intimacy and human connection
	My patients do not have access to the necessary technology
	Concerns regarding HIPAA compliance
	Concerns regarding liability and/or malpractice
	Visits are not reimbursed
	Concerns regarding interstate licensing
	Software is too complicated
	The software and/or equipment is too expensive for my practice
	Do you plan to incorporate telemedicine into your practice even after the COVID-19 pandemic subsides?
	What effect do you think telemedicine will have on field of facial plastic and reconstructive surgery
	I have no concerns
Saliba-Gustafsson, 2020354	Saving patients from unnecessary travel
	Increased access for vulnerable populations
	Ability to see my patients from my home or nonclinical location
	Reduced uncompensated work
	Flexible scheduling of patient visits
	Ability to see patients in their home environment
	Ability to connect with patients' caregivers/family members
	Other (providers listed various reasons)
Sathiyaraj, 2021 ³⁵⁶	ease of use
	satisfaction with experience
	preferred option: video visit using own device
	preferred option: video visit using clinic device
	preferred option: in person visit
	video visit compared to in person visit
	would use TH in the future
	recommend to family and friends

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Scherrenberg, 2021 ³⁵⁷	Are you prepared to pay for remote CR like for center-based CR sessions?
	I get more supported by the health professional during remote CR sessions
	Did you feel supported during remote CR sessions?
	Are you satisfied with the remote CR sessions you received during COVID-19?
	Would you prefer remote CR sessions over center-based CR sessions?
	Did you find it easy to participate in a video consultation?
	I am more motivated for CR via telephone or video consultation
	I think that remote CR sessions are more useful as center-based CR sessions
	There is more time for support and additional information during remote CR sessions
Serafini, 2021 ³⁶²	I express more than usually do during phone therapy appointments compared to in-person therapy appointments
	level of comfort during phone therapy appointments compared to in-person therapy appointments
	level of safety during phone therapy appointments compared to in-person therapy appointments
	Would you like remote psychiatry to remain an option when the EHHOP clinic opens for in-person visits
	The availability of remote psychiatry has helped me manage my overall mental health
	The availability of remote psychiatry has helped me manage my levels of anxiety
	The availability of remote psychiatry has helped me manage my levels of depression
Severe, 2020 ³⁶³	reason for choosing video: i wanted to be able to see my provider's face
	reason for choosing video: a video visit sounded more convenient
	factors in continuing virtual care: virtual visits are more convenient
	reason for choosing video: i felt comfortable using video technology
	reason for choosing video: i followed my provider's recommendation
	reason for choosing video: i felt more comfortable with a video visit
	reason for choosing video: i did not feel like it was a choice
	reason for choosing video: i wanted to make sure i could get my meds
	reason for choosing video: i was a new patient and that was the option offered to me
	reason for choosing phone: more comfortable with phone visit
	reason for choosing phone: provider recommendation
	virtual visits were as expected
	virtual visits were as expected virtual visits were somewhat better than expected
	virtual visits much better than expected
	factors in continuing virtual care: reduces my risk of contracting covid
Chab 2021366	factors in continuing virtual care: provider availability
Shah, 2021 ³⁶⁶	Satisfied or very satisfied with overall TH care
	Satisfies or very satisfied with choices they had in decisions regarding their own healthcare
Obie Jacobie - 0004368	TH consultation conducted for an appropriate duration
Shivkumar, 2021 ³⁶⁸	Preference for Zoom video platform
Shklarski, 2021369	remote therapy can be as effective as in-person therapy
	I am comfortable working from home
	prefer remote psychotherapy more than in-person
	in comparison to before the pandemic, they now have a positive attitude toward tele psychotherapy

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Shklarski, 2021 ³⁷⁰	process of engaging clients remotely was similar to engaging clients in office	
	much more effort was required to build or maintain the therapeutic working alliance	
	notable difference between face to face therapy and remote therapy	
	conducting therapy remotely during the pandemic had been challenging	
	would not mind continuing to see clients remotely	
Silver, 2021 ³⁷¹	Mean Physician satisfaction +/- SD: cycle 1	
	Mean Physician satisfaction +/- SD: cycle 2	
	Mean Physician satisfaction +/- SD: cycle 3	
	Mean Physician satisfaction +/- SD: cycle 4	
Singh, 2021 ³⁷³	spent a lot of extra time providing this care	
	able to provide care efficiently	
	able to provide care safely	
Sklar, 2021 ³⁷⁶	Telehealth beliefs	
Smith, 2021 ³⁷⁹	ability to establish rapport was equivalent	
	Exam was equivalent during virtual care	
	virtual care is equivalent to in-person care for identifying a patient's diagnosis	
	ability to initiate medical therapy was equivalent	
	ability to prescribe medication was equivalent	
	explaining diagnosis and treatment was equivalent	
	patient satisfaction was equivalent to in person care	
	quality of care was equivalent	
	physician satisfaction was equivalent	
Smithson, 2021 ³⁸¹	I felt comfortable to share sensitive and personal info	
	I prefer virtual over in person appts	
	I felt my health needs were met property	
	appointment started on time	
	length of time for the appointment was sufficient	
Smrke, 2020 ³⁸²	I would like at least some future appointments to be performed using telemedicine	
	satisfaction with telephone consultation	
	telemedicine should become part of regular practice	
	favoring its use for follow-up of patients on active surveillance	
	favoring its use for follow-up of stable doses on oral anticancer medication	
Stewart, 2020 ³⁸⁶	Experiences with teledermatology during COVID	
Stifani, 2021388	Should keep telemedicine for contraception after Covid-19	
	Satisfaction with telemedicine visit	
	Telemedicine visit met needs	
	Likelihood of choosing telemedicine over in-person visit	

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Taylor, 2021 ⁴²⁹	Factors associated with clinician confidence in TH: It was extremely important to have	
	easy to use systems	
	Factors associated with clinician confidence in TH: It was very important to get technical	
	or administrative support quickly	
	Much better patient satisfaction	
	(telephone) reported	
	Much better patient satisfaction	
	(video) reported	
	Factors associated with clinician confidence in TH: It was very important to triaging the	
	most suitable patients	

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Tse, 2021 ³⁹⁵	Staff are sensitive to my traumatic or difficult experiences
	I feel connected to my care team
	I can get an appointment when I want
	The quality of my life is improving
	I feel comfortable asking about treatment and medications
	I feel connected to my care team
	I can get support when I need it
	I feel comfortable asking about treatment and medications
	Staff talk to me about specific goals for my health
	The quality of my life is improving
	I can get support when I need it
	I can get an appointment when I want
	I feel comfortable asking about treatment and medications
	Staff talk to me about specific goals for my health
	Staff are sensitive to my traumatic or difficult experiences
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	Staff are sensitive to my traumatic or difficult experiences
	The quality of my life is improving
Tyler, 2021 ³⁹⁸	How was the quality of the sound/picture during the consultation? (good or excellent)
, , _ .	During the appointment I felt listened to (agree or strongly agree)
	During the appointment I felt involved in decisions about my care and treatment (agree of strongly agree)
	During the appointment I felt able to communicate everything I wanted to find the virtual consultation (agree or
	strongly agree)

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van de Poll-Franse, 2021404	My health care clinician is able to understand my health care condition via TC/VC
	My privacy is protected during a TC/VC
	In the future, I would like to use a TC/VC again
	This appointment was suitable for a TC/VC (Telephone Consultation or Video Consultation)
	I prefer a TC/VC rather than a face-to-face visit
Wang, 2021 ⁴⁰⁸	What did you think about using teletherapy before the pandemic?
	What do you think about using teletherapy now?
	How effective is teletherapy compared to in-office treatment in working with transference?
	How effective is teletherapy compared to in-office treatment in working with relational problems?
	How effective is teletherapy compared to in-office treatment in working with resistance?
Waterland, 2021 ⁴⁰⁹	sought help from family/
	friends to set up the session
	system was easy to set up
	easy to use
	they
	would recommend [online education session] to others preparing for surgery.
	if given a choice they would attend the online
	education session as opposed to attending the hospital based
	session
Wilhite, 2021 ⁴¹²	I am worried that I will be doing too many televisits in the future
	I think that a mix of televisits and in-person visits will work well for my patients in the future
	I am looking forward to doing more televisits as part of my regular practice
	I find doing televisits more exhausting than in person visits
	Doing televisits is more satisfying than in person visits
Wolthers 2020 ⁴¹⁴	I feel that the telephone consultation was useful to us
	I am satisfied with the duration of the telephone consultation
	Overall, I feel good about the possibility of substituting our face-to-face appointment with a telephone consultation
	I would have preferred a face-to-face consultation
Yoon, 2020 ⁴¹⁷	Overall, how satisfied were you with your telemedicine visit?
	How easy was it to talk with the telemedicine provider?
	How much did the telemedicine provider seem to care about you as a person?
	Did you feel relaxed or tense during the telemedicine session?
	Do you think your telemedicine visit improves your medical care?
	Do you think your telemedicine visit was as good as a regular in-person visit?
	How well did the telemedicine visit equipment work today?
	Would you want to use telemedicine again?
Zeghari, 2021418	Globally, the system was easy to use
	Instructions were clear
	Globally, I'm satisfied with this experience
	I would repeat this experience in the future
	On a scale from 1 to 7, how likely would I recommend this assessment method?
	Globally, my stress level was

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Zhang, 2020 ⁴¹⁹	no difference in
	confidence in treating patients appropriately with telemedicine
	overall
	experience of telemedicine to be better than expected
	overall visit
	quality to be no different between telemedicine and in office
	in office visits preferential for personal connection with the patient
Zhu, 2021 ⁴²⁰	I feel that my telemedicine appt allowed me to communicate with my healthcare provider as effectively as a clinic visit
Zhu, 2021 ⁴²⁰	my laboratory and testing results were effectively reviewed with me during my TM visit
	I felt that my surgical needs were met during my TM appt
	my telemedicine appointment was more convenient than a clinic visit
	my TM appt made me feel safer during the covid pandemic
	I would prefer to see my healthcare provider in person during the covid pandemic
	in the future, I would choose a tm appt instead of a clinic visit once the covid pandemic is over
	what factor would most make you choose a tm appt over a clinic visit: avoiding risk of covid transmission
	what factor would most make you choose a tm appt over a clinic visit: other
	what factor would most make you choose a tm appt over a clinic visit: no need to inconvenience family/friend
Zimmerman, 2021 ¹³⁴	Satisfied with the initial medical evaluation
	Satisfied with their treatment
Zimmerman, 2021 ⁴²¹	I felt I could trust my doctor
	The evaluation was thorough and complete
	My diagnosis was explained in a clear way
	My questions were answered to my satisfaction
	My treatment was discussed in a clear and understandable way
	I was asked for my opinion about treatment
	I was told what to do if my symptoms got worse
	My doctor seemed genuinely interested in me
	My doctor seemed to understand my problems
	My doctor treated me with respect
	My doctor seemed to know what he/she was doing
	My doctor asked if I had any question
	Overall satisfaction with initial evaluation
	Expectation of improvement
	ACT group
	Skills group
	Interpersonal group
	Individual sessions with psychiatrist
	Number of sessions with psychiatrist
	Individual sessions with therapist
	Length of sessions with therapist
	Overall satisfaction with program
	Recommend program to friend or family
	Perception of improvement

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Zingone, 2020 ⁴²²	referred to undergo remote
_	medical examination.
	Are you happy with telemedicine remote visits? Not at all
	Are you happy with telemedicine remote visits? A little
	Are you happy with telemedicine remote visits? Enough
	Are you happy with telemedicine remote visits? Much
	Are you happy with telemedicine remote visits? Very much
Zorron, 2021 ⁴²³	patient 6Q score (satisfaction summary based on 6 questions) - phone

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Adams, 2021 ¹³⁷	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Alkureeishi, 2021 ¹⁴⁰	Yes	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	No	Somewhat/ to some extent	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes
Anghelescu, 2021 ¹⁴³	Yes	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	No	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes
Antoun, 2021 ¹⁴⁴	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Ashcroft, 2021 ¹⁴⁶	Yes	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Baadjou, 2020 ¹⁴⁸	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes
Banks, 2021 ¹⁴⁹	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	No	Somewhat/ to some extent	Can't tell	Yes
Barnett, 2021 ¹⁵¹	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	Yes	No	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	Yes
Barsom, 2021 ¹⁵²	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Somewhat/ to some extent	Somewhat/ to some extent	No	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes
Barth, 2021 ¹⁵³	Yes	Yes	Yes	Can't tell	Yes	No	Somewhat/ to some extent	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes
Ben-Ayre, 2021 ¹⁵⁷	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	Somewhat/ to some extent
Bennell, 2021 ¹⁵⁸	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	No	Yes	Yes	Yes

Table D.22. CASP assessment of individual studies (Key Question 3)

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Bethel, 2021 ¹⁵⁹	Yes	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Somewhat/ to some extent	No	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	Yes
Birkhoff, 2021 ¹⁶¹	Yes	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Somewhat/ to some extent	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Bommersbach, 2021 ¹⁶²	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Somewhat/ to some extent	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes
Bos, 2021 ¹⁶³	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Somewhat/ to some extent	No	Somewhat/ to some extent	No	Yes
Boydell, 2021 ¹⁶⁵	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes
Brown Johnson, 2021 ¹⁶⁷	Yes	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	No	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	Yes
Brunton, 2021 ¹⁶⁸	Yes	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Can't tell	No	No	Can't tell	Yes
CampbellYao, 2021 ¹⁷³	Yes	Yes	Yes	Can't tell	Somewhat/ to some extent	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Clair, 2021 ¹⁷⁹	No	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Somewhat/ to some extent	No	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent
Cole, 2021 ¹⁸⁰	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Cook, 2021 ¹⁸²	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Can't tell	Can't tell	Somewhat/ to some extent
Cooper, 2021 ¹⁸³	Somewhat/ to some extent	Somewhat/ to some extent	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes

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Cormi, 2021 ¹⁸⁴	Yes	Yes	Yes	Can't tell	Somewhat/ to some extent	No	No	Can't tell	Yes
Costa, 2021 ¹⁸⁵	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes
Courtney, 2021 ¹⁸⁶	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Cronin, 2020 ¹⁸⁷	No	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Somewhat/ to some extent	Somewhat/ to some extent	No	Somewhat/ to some extent	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes
Dahl-Popolizio, 2020 ¹⁸⁸	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Di Lalla, 2021 ¹⁹⁴	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Di Lorito, 2021 ¹⁹⁵	Yes	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Donovan, 2021 ¹⁹⁸	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	Yes
Dozieres- Puyravel, 2021 ¹⁹⁹	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	Yes	No	Somewhat/ to some extent	Can't tell	Yes
Due, 2021 ²⁰¹	Yes	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	Yes	Yes
Evans, 2021 ²⁰⁴	Yes	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Feijt, 2020 ²⁰⁵	Yes	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Filippi, 2021 ²⁰⁷	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes

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Finn, 2021 ²⁰⁸	No	Can't tell	Yes	No	Somewhat/ to some extent	No	Can't tell	Yes	Yes
Franzosa, 2021 ²¹¹	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Franzosa, 2021 ²¹²	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Frayn, 2021 ²¹³	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Gabe-Walters, 2021 ²¹⁷	Yes	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	No	Somewhat/ to some extent	Can't tell	Yes
Gefen 2021 ²²⁰	Yes	Yes	Yes	Can't tell	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Gergerich, 2020 ²²¹	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Gilbert, 2021 ²²³	Yes	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Goddard, 2021 ²²⁴	No	Can't tell	Somewhat/ to some extent	Somewhat/ to some extent	Can't tell	No	No	Somewhat/ to some extent	Somewhat/ to some extent
Godfrey, 2021 ²²⁵	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Goldberg, 2021 ²²⁷	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Gomez, 2021 ²²⁸	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	Yes
Granberg, 2021 ²²⁹	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Gullslett, 2021 ²³¹	Yes	Yes	Yes	Can't tell	Somewhat/ to some extent	No	Yes	Yes	Yes

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Haase, 2021 ²³³	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Hardy, 2021 ²³⁸	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Somewhat/ to some extent	No	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes
Heiskanen, 2021 ²⁴⁰	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Somewhat/ to some extent	Somewhat/ to some extent	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Hlubocky, 2021 ²⁴⁴	Yes	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	No	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	Yes
Hunter, 2021 ²⁴⁷	Yes	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Hunter, 2021 ²⁴⁸	Yes	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Imlach, 2020 ²⁵¹	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Somewhat/ to some extent	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Isautier, 2020 ²⁵²	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
lyer, 2021 ²⁵⁵	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	No	Somewhat/ to some extent	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes
Javanparast, 2021 ²⁵⁹	Yes	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	No	ny	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes
Javanparast, 2021 ²⁶⁰	Yes	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	No	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Somewhat/ to some extent
Jimenez- Rodriguez, 2020 ²⁶¹	Yes	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	No	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes
Johnson, 2021 ²⁶³	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes

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Kang, 2020 ²⁶⁶	No	Can't tell	Can't tell	No	Somewhat/ to some extent	No	No	No	No
Kang, 2021 ⁴³⁴	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Klamroth- Marganska, 2021 ²⁷³	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Somewhat/ to some extent	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	No	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	Yes
Krok-Schoen, 2021 ²⁷⁸	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	Yes
LaRoche, 2021 ²⁸³	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent
Lin, 2021 ²⁸⁹	Yes	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Luckett, 2021 ²⁹⁰	Yes	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	No	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	Yes
Lynch, 2021 ²⁹³	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	Yes
Macchi, 2021 ²⁹⁴	Yes	Yes	Yes	Can't tell	Somewhat/ to some extent	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Madden, 2020 ²⁹⁵	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
Malden, 2021 ²⁹⁶	Yes	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Marshall, 2021 ³⁰⁰	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Martin, 2021 ³⁰¹	Yes	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	No	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes
Murphy, 2021 ³¹¹	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes

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Myers, 2020 ³¹⁴	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	No	No	Yes	Yes
Nagra, 2021 ³¹⁵	Yes	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent		No	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes
Newman-Casey, 2021 ³¹⁸	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	No	Somewhat/ to some extent	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes
Pagano, 2021 ³²³	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Parkinson, 2021 ³²⁶	Yes	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Parsons, 2021 ³²⁷	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	No	Yes	No	Yes
Philip, 2020 ³³⁰	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Somewhat/ to some extent	No	Yes	Can't tell	Yes
Pogorzelska- Maziarz, 2021 ³³¹	Yes	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Can't tell	No	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes
Ritchie, 2021 ³⁴¹	Yes	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Robinson, 2021 ³⁴⁴	Yes	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Somewhat/ to some extent	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	Yes	Yes
Rosenthal- 2021 ³⁴⁷	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Ross, 2021 ³⁴⁸	No	Yes	Yes	Can't tell	Yes	No	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	Yes

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Saliba- Gustafsson, 2020 ⁴³⁵	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Schindler- Ruwisch, 2021 ³⁵⁸	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Schoebel, 2021 ³⁵⁹	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	Yes
Searby, 2021 ³⁶¹	Yes	Yes	Yes	Can't tell	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Sezgin, 2020 ³⁶⁴	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	Yes
Shah, 2021 ³⁶⁵	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Shklarski, 2021 ³⁶⁹	No	Yes	Yes	No	Somewhat/ to some extent	No	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Somewhat/ to some extent
Shklarski, 2021 ³⁷⁰	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Somewhat/ to some extent
Singh, 2021 ³⁷⁴	Yes	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Somewhat/ to some extent	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Sklar, 2021 ³⁷⁶	No	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes
Smithson, 2021 ³⁸¹	Yes	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Somewhat/ to some extent	No	Somewhat/ to some extent	Somewhat/ to some extent	Somewhat/ to some extent
Snyder, 2021 ³⁸³	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Somewhat/ to some extent	Somewhat/ to some extent	No	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Somewhat/ to some extent
Srinivasan, 2020 ³⁸⁴	Yes	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	No	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	Yes

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Stewart, 2020 ³⁸⁶	Yes	Can't tell	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	No	No	Somewhat/ to some extent	No	No
Stewart, 2021 ³⁸⁷	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Can't tell	Somewhat/ to some extent	Somewhat/ to some extent	No	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes
Stifani, 2021 ³⁸⁸	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Subotic, 2020 ³⁸⁹	Yes	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Somewhat/ to some extent	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Taylor, 2021 ³⁹¹	Yes	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	No	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes
Treitler, 2021 ³⁹³	Yes	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Somewhat/ to some extent	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Triantafillou, 2021 ³⁹⁴	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	Yes
Tuijt, 2021 ³⁹⁶	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Turchetti, 2021 ³⁹⁷	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Uscher-Pines, 2020 ⁴⁰⁰	Yes	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Uscher-Pines, 2021 ⁴⁰¹	Yes	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Somewhat/ to some extent	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Uscher-Pines ⁴³⁶	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
vanGelder, 2021 ⁴⁰⁵	Yes	Yes	Yes	Can't tell	Yes	No	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes

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Venville, 2021 ⁴⁰⁶	Yes	Yes	Yes	Can't tell	Somewhat/ to some extent	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Wilhite, 2021 ⁴¹²	Yes	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	No	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	Yes
Wilson, 2021 ⁴¹³	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Wood, 2021 ⁴¹⁵	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell	No	Can't tell	No	Yes	Can't tell	Somewhat/ to some extent
Zhu, 2020 ⁴²⁰	Yes	Yes	Yes	Somewhat/ to some extent	Can't tell	No	Yes	Can't tell	Yes

Table D.23 Study characteristics of all studies included in Key Question 4

Author, Year	Intervention	Study Design	Data Types	Data Collection	Timing	Country	Sites	Geography	Participants
Agarwal et al, 2021 437	Tel + Video	cross-sectional	Quantitative	NR	Early	Canada	Single site	NR	Patients
Albert 2021 438	Not stated	Retrospective	Qualitative	Interview	Early	United States	Multiple site	Other	Providers
Braune, 2021 439	Video	prospective (undefined)	Mixed Methods	Survey	General	Germany	Single site	NR	Patients
Budhwani 2021 ⁴⁴⁰	Tel + Video	Cross-sectional	Mixed Methods	Survey, Interview, FG, Administrative Database	General	Canada	Single site	Urban	Providers
Careyva et al, 2021 ⁴⁴¹	Tel + Video	prospective cohort	Quantitative	NR	Early	United States	Multiple site	Urban, suburban, and rural	Providers
Childs et al, 2020 442	Tel + Video	retrospective cohort	Quantitative	NR	Early	United States	Multiple site	NR	Providers
Corona 2021 443	Not stated	Retrospective cohort	Quantitative	Survey	Early	United States	Single site	NR	Patients
Cox, 2021 444	Not stated	cross-sectional	Quantitative	Survey	Early	Australia	Multiple site	NR	Providers
Dennett 2021 445	Tel + Video	Retrospective & prospective cohorts	Mixed Methods	Survey, Interview, Clinical & Administrative Database	General	Australia	Multiple site	Urban	Patients & Providers
Der Martirosian 2021	Tel + Video	Retrospective	Mixed Methods	Interview, Administrative Database	General	United States	Multiple site	Urban	Providers
El Zammar 2022 446	Not stated	Retrospective case series	Quantitative	Survey, Interview, Administrative Database	Later	Canada	Single site	NR	Patients & Providers
Fogarty 2021 447	Tel + Video	Cross-sectional	Qualitative	Interview & Focus Group	General	Australia	Multiple site	Other	Patients & Providers
Gilbert 2022 448	Tel + Video	Cross-sectional	Qualitative	Interview	Later	United Kingdom	Single site	NR	Patients & Providers
Gmunder 2021 449	Tel + Video	Retrospective cohort	Quantitative	DB-C, Administrative Database	General	United States	Multiple site	Other	Patients
Gonzalez, 2020 450	Not stated	retrospective cohort	Quantitative	NR	Early	UK	NR	NR	Providers

Author, Year	Intervention	Study Design	Data Types	Data Collection	Timing	Country	Sites	Geography	Participants
Gromatsky, 2021 451	Not stated	prospective (undefined)	Quantitative	NR	Later	United States	Multiple site	NR	Patients
Guarino et al, 2020 452	Tel + Video	prospective cohort	Quantitative	NR	Early	Italy	Single site	NR	Providers
Kapoor et al, 2020 ⁴⁵³	Tel + Video	retrospective cohort	Quantitative	NR	Early	United States	Single site	NR	Providers
Keppel 2022 454	Tel + Video	Cross-sectional	Quantitative	Survey	Early	United States	Multiple site	Other	Providers
Ketigian 2021 455	Tel + Video	Retrospective	Quantitative	Survey,	Later	United States	Single site	NR	Patients
Krasovsky et al, 2021	Tel + Video	prospective (undefined)	Mixed Methods	Survey	Early	Israel	Single site	NR	Patients & Providers
Kreider 2022 457	Not stated	Retrospective	Qualitative	Interview & Focus Group	Early	United States	Multiple site	Rural	Providers
Loftus 2022 78	Tel + Video	Retrospective cohort	Mixed Methods	Interview & Administrative Database	Later	United States	Single site	NR	Patients & Providers
Lopez et al, 2021 458	Tel + Video	prospective cohort	Mixed Methods	NR	Early	Canada	Single site	NR	Providers
Lynch, 2021 ²⁹³	Not stated	prospective cohort	Mixed Methods	Survey & Interview	General	United States	Single site	NR	Patients & Providers
Miller, 2021 ³⁰⁷	Not stated	prospective cohort	Mixed Methods	Survey	Early	United States	Single site	Urban	Patients
Mishkind et al, 2021 ⁴⁵⁹	Tel + Video	retrospective cohort	Quantitative	NR	Early	United States	Multiple site	NR	Providers
Nguyen 2021 460	Tel + Video	Cross-sectional	Qualitative	Interview	Early	United States	Multiple site	NR	Providers
Norman 2022 461	Tel	Retrospective cohort	Quantitative	Administrative Databases	Early	Canada	Single site	NR	Patients
Oelmeier 2021 462	Tel + Video	Prospective cohort	Quantitative	Survey,	General	Germany	Single site	NR	Patients & Providers
Ouellette et al, 2021 ⁴⁶³	Tel + Video	cross-sectional (case study)	Qualitative	NR	General	Canada	Multiple site	NR	Providers
Patt, 2021 328	Not stated	cross-sectional	Mixed Methods	NR	General	United States	Multiple site	NR	Providers
Payan 2022 464	Tel + Video	Cross-sectional	Qualitative	Survey & Interview	Later	United States	Multiple site	NR	Patients & Providers
Peahl, 2021 329	Not stated	retrospective cohort	Mixed Methods	Survey	Early	United States	Single site	Suburban	Patients & Providers
Reid 2022 465	Tel + Video	Cross-sectional	Qualitative	Survey & Interview	Later	United States	Single site	NR	Providers

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Reider-Demer 2022 ¹⁰²	Tel + Video	Retrospective	Quantitative	Survey, Administrative, and Clinical Databases	Early	United States	Multiple site	Urban	Patients & Providers
Saliba-Gustafsson, 2020 354	Not stated	retrospective cohort	Mixed Methods	Survey & Interview	Early	United States	Single site	NR	Providers
Shur et al, 2020 ⁴⁶⁶	Tel + Video	cross-sectional	Quantitative	NR	General	United States	Single site	NR	Providers
Smith-MacDonald 2021 380	Tel + Video	Cross-sectional	Mixed Methods	Survey, Interview, Focus Group	Later	Canada	Multiple site	NR	Providers
Stewart 2022 467	Tel + Video	Cross-sectional	Mixed Methods	Survey, Interview, Focus Group	Later	Northern Ireland	Multiple site	NR	Providers
Story 2021 468	Not stated	Cross-sectional	Mixed Methods	Survey	Later	United States	Multiple site	NR	Providers
Thomas 2022 469	Tel + Video	Retrospective	Mixed Methods	Interview, Focus Group, Administrative Database	General	Australia	Multiple site	NR	Providers
Thomas 2022 470	Tel + Video	Cross-sectional	Mixed Methods	Interview & Administrative Database	General	Australia	Single site	Urban	Providers
Van Citters 2021 402	Not stated	Retrospective cohort	Qualitative	Interview & Focus Group	Later	United States	Multiple site	NR	Providers
Ward 2021 471	Tel + Video	Cross-sectional	Mixed Methods	Survey, Interview, Administrative Database	Early	United States	Multiple site	Urban	Patients & Providers
Watson 2021 472	Tel	Retrospective cohort	Mixed Methods	Survey, Administrative Database	Later	Canada	Single site	NR	Patients & Providers
Weems 2021 ⁴⁷³	Tel + Video	Retrospective cohort	Mixed Methods	Survey, Interview, Administrative Database	General	United States	Multiple site	Other	Patients
Weiskittle 2022 474	Tel + Video	Retrospective	Mixed Methods	Survey	Early	United States	Multiple site	NR	Providers
Williams 2022 475	Tel + Video	Retrospective cohort	Mixed Methods	Interview, Focus Group, Administrative Database	Later	United Kingdom	Single site	NR	Patients

Author, Year	Intervention	Study Design	Data Types	Data Collection	Timing	Country	Sites	Geography	Participants
Zayde 2021 ¹³⁰	Tel + Video	Prospective cohort	Mixed	Survey	Early	United	Single site	Urban	Patients
			Methods			States	-		
Zeghari, 2021 418	Video	prospective cohort	Quantitative	NR	General	France	NR	NR	Patients

Early: Early COVID era (March-June 2020); General: General COVID era; Early: Later COVID era (June 2020 and later); NR; Tel: Telephone. * Lam et al. 2020⁴⁷⁶ and Pizza et al. 2021⁴⁷⁷ were excluded from KQ4 as neither used an implementation strategy; Hirschman et al. 2021⁴⁷⁸ was excluded as it only focused on caregivers, not patients or providers. These studies are not shown in Appendix D Table 4.7.

Author, Year	N Patients	% Female	Age, Mean (SD)	% White	% Black	% Other Races	Condition	Target Denominator
Agarwal et al, 2021 ⁴³⁷	97	67	41*	N	N	N	COVID	Community-dwelling patients in the Greater Toronto Area diagnosed with COVID-19
Braune, 2021 439	28	64.2	8 (SD, 2.2)*	NR	NR	NR	Type 1 Diabetes	Pediatric patients with diabetes and their caregivers
Corona 2021 443	49 (in-person) 46 (telehealth) 20 (hybrid)	22 22 15	27.96 months (SD, 4.67) 28.17 months (SD, 4.58) 27.50 months (SD, 5.18)	74 54 70	6 11 15	20 35 15	Mental Health	Children with autism spectrum disorder (ASD) and their caregivers
Dennett 2021 445	102	57	65* (IQR, 56-72)	NR	NR	NR	Cancer Rehabilitation	Adult patients seeking an exercise- based cancer telerehabilitation program
El Zammar 2022	88	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	Emergency Room Visits	Patients discharged from an emergency room and requiring follow- up
Fogarty 2021 447	5	100	37 (SD, 6.2)	NR	NR	NR	Intimate Partner Violence	Children and caregivers who experience intimate partner violence
Gilbert 2022 448	20	50	47 (range, 22-74)	NR	NR	NR	Orthopedic Rehabilitation	Orthopedic patients requiring tertiary rehabilitation
Gmunder 2021 449	362764	59.88	50.8 (SD, 20.3)	73	13	14	All Medical Conditions	Patients seeking care at an academic medical health system
Gromatsky, 2021	25	20	54.2 (SD, 11.95)	35	30	35	Mental Health	Veteran Health Administration patients experiencing COVID-19 related stress
Ketigian 2021 455	69	33	70.2 (SD, 8.4)	94	NR	NR	Parkinson's Disease	Adult patients with Parkinson's disease seeking routine care
Krasovsky et al, 2021 ⁴⁵⁶	50	N	11.31 (SD, 4.81)	NR	NR	NR	Rehabilitation	Pediatric patients, requiring telerehabilitation services, and their families
Loftus 2022 78	95 (compare) 34 (telehealth)	71.6 88.2	47* (IQR, 30-57) 36.5* (IQR, 23-50)	96 94	2 0	2 6	Chronic Pain	Patients with suspected fibromyalgia and chronic abdominal pain
Lynch, 2021 ²⁹³	64	31.25	28.1 (SD, 10)	NR	NR	NR	Mental Health	Adult patients with serious mental illness requiring psychosocial treatment and pharmacotherapy
Miller, 2021 ³⁰⁷	307	65	18+ (adults)	55	6	39	Rehabilitation	Adult patient requiring outpatient physical therapy

Table D.24. Study characteristics of studies that included patient participants (Key Question 4)

Author, Year	N Patients	% Female	Age, Mean (SD)	% White	% Black	% Other Races	Condition	Target Denominator
Norman 2022 461	874	81.8	53*	52.6	1.6	45.8	Genetic Disorders	Adult patients requiring genetics services
Oelmeier 2021 462	75	100	32	NR	NR	NR	Prenatal Care	Patients requiring prenatal or pre pregnancy counseling at an academic medical center
Payan 2022 ⁴⁶⁴	9	89	59 (SD, 11.6)	0	0	100	Community Health Services	Hispanic and AAPI patients with language barrier seeking care at federally qualified health centers
Peahl, 2021 329	253	100	31.2 (SD, 6.7)	71	5.5	23.5	Ob-Gyn	Female pregnant patients (more than 20-week gestation) receiving prenatal care
Reider-Demer 2022 ¹⁰²	7194	58	51	60.9	4.6	34.5	Mental Health	Adult patients with neurological disorders
Ward 2021 471	319	9	18-44 (32%), 45- 64 (50%), 65+ (18%)	73	21	6	Mental Health	Veterans seeking mental health care in VA emergency departments and urgent care clinics
Watson 2021 472	397	51.6	63.8 (13.8)	NR	NR	NR	Cancer Care	Patients with cancer seeking care from a provincial cancer center
Weems 2021 473	28	96	68	NR	NR	NR	Alzheimer's and Related Dementias (ADRD)	Older adult patients with ADRD and their caregivers
Williams 2022 475	14	93	37.6 (SD, 12)	NR	NR	NR	Chronic Pain	Patients enrolled in a pain management program
Zayde 2021 ¹³⁰	12 (caregiver) 12 (child)	100 25	44.2 11.1	25	67	8	Mental Health	Caregivers and children with heightened psychological distress
Zeghari, 2021 418	8	50	76.7 (SD, 6.12)	NR	NR	NR	Mental Health	Isolated older adults residing in rural areas requiring cognitive screening

* Median age (i.e., mean age was NR) AAPI=Asian American and Pacific Islander; ADRD=alzheimer's and related dementias; ASD=autism spectrum disorder; IQR=interquartile range; N=sample size; NR=not reported; Ob-Gyn= Obstetrics and Gynecology; SD=standard deviation

Author, Year	N Providers	Healthcare Setting	Provider Specialty
Albert 2021 438	22	Regional Health System	Primary Care
Budhwani 2021 440	30	Single Health System	Mental Health (Wide Range)
Careyva et al, 2021 441	222	Regional Health System	Primary Care
Childs et al, 2020 442	NR	Single Health System	Mental Health
Cox, 2021 444	31	Single Health System	Rehabilitation
Dennett 2021 445	10	Single Health System	Rehabilitation (Cancer)
Der Martirosian 2021 424	34	Single Health System	Primary Care
El Zammar 2022 446	15	Single Health System	Other (Emergency Medicine)
Fogarty 2021 447	14	Single Health System	Mental Health (Behavioral Health)
Gilbert 2022 448	20 (clinician) 15 (manager)	Single Health System	Rehabilitation (Orthopedics)
Gonzalez, 2020 450	NR	NR	Other (gastrointestinal)
Guarino et al, 2020 452	NR	Other (specific clinic)	Other (hepatology)
Kapoor et al, 2020 453	7	Other (specific clinic)	Other (ophthalmology)
Keppel 2022 454	16 (clinics)	Regional Health System	Primary Care
Krasovsky et al, 2021 456	67	Single Health System	Rehabilitation
Kreider 2022 457	12	Regional Health System	Rehabilitation
Loftus 2022 78	NR	Regional Health System	Other (Pain Management)
Lopez et al, 2021 458	12	Single Health System	Rehabilitation
Lynch, 2021 ²⁹³	6	Other (specific clinic)	Mental Health
Mishkind et al, 2021 459	NR	Other (specific clinic)	Mental Health
Nguyen 2021 460	25	Regional Health System	Other (Obstetrics)
Oelmeier 2021 462	75	Single Health System	Other (Obstetrics)
Ouellette et al, 2021 463	2	NR	NR
Patt, 2021 328	NR	Regional Health System	Other (wide range)
Payan 2022 464	15	Other (specific clinic)	Primary Care
Peahl, 2021 329	77	Single Health System	Other (ob-gyn)

Table D.25. Study characteristics of studies that included provider participants (Key Question 4)

Author, Year	N Providers	Healthcare Setting	Provider Specialty
Reid 2022 465	19 (survey) 13 (interview)	Single Health System	Other (Obstetrics)
Reider-Demer 2022 ¹⁰²	29	Single Health System	Other (Neurology)
Saliba-Gustafsson, 2020 354	66	Single Health System	Other (neurology)
Shur et al, 2020 ⁴⁶⁶	22	Other (specific clinic)	Other (pediatrics)
Smith-MacDonald 2021 380	31	Other (specific clinic)	Mental Health (Wide Range)
Stewart 2022 467	63	Regional Health System	Primary Care
Story 2021 468	97	Regional Health System	Mental Health (Behavioral Health)
Thomas 2022 469	80	Regional Health System	Other (Allied Health)
Thomas 2022 470	34	Single Health System	Other (Wide Range)
Van Citters 2021 402	23	Regional Health System	Other (Pulmonology)
Ward 2021 471	49	Single Health System	Mental Health (Psychiatric Care)
Watson 2021 472	396	Single Health System	Other (Oncology)
Weiskittle 2022 474	21	Regional Health System	Mental Health (Behavioral Health)

N=sample size; NR=not reported; Ob-Gyn= Obstetrics and Gynecology

Study	1	2	3	4	5a	5b	6a	6b	7	8	9	10	11	12
Albert, 2021 ⁴³⁸	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Can't tell	*	Can't tell	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell	Can't tell
Braune, 2021 439	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Can't tell	Yes	Yes	*	Can't tell	Yes	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell
Careyva et al, 2021 ⁴⁴¹	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell	Yes	Yes	*	Can't tell	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell	Can't tell
Childs et al, 2020	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell	Yes	Can't tell	*	Can't tell	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell	Can't tell
Corona, 2021 ⁴⁴³	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	*	Can't tell	Yes	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell
Dennett, 2021 445	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Can't tell	Yes	Yes	*	Can't tell	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell	Can't tell
Der Martirosia n, 2021	Yes	Can't tell	Yes	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell	Yes	Yes	*	Can't tell	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell	Can't tell
El Zammar, 2022 ⁴⁴⁶	Yes	Yes	Can't tell	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell	Yes	Yes	*	Can't tell	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell	Can't tell
Gmunder, 2021 479	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	*	Can't tell	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell	Can't tell
Gonzalez, 2020 450	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell	Yes	Can't tell	*	Can't tell	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell	Can't tell
Gromatsk y, 2021 451	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Can't tell	Yes	Yes	*	Can't tell	Yes	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell
Guarino et al, 2020 ⁴⁵²	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell	Yes	Yes	*	Can't tell	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell	Can't tell
Kapoor et al, 2020	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell	Yes	Yes	*	Can't tell	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell	Can't tell
Ketigian, 2021 ⁴⁵⁵	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	*	Can't tell	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell	Can't tell
Krasovsk y et al, 2021 ⁴⁵⁶	Yes	Can't tell	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	*	Can't tell	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell	Can't tell
Kreider, 2022 457	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell	Can't tell	Can't tell	*	Can't tell	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell	Can't tell

Table D.26. Risk of bias assessment of cohort studies included in Key Question 4

Study	1	2	3	4	5a	5b	6a	6b	7	8	9	10	11	12
Loftus, 2022 ⁷⁸	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	*	Can't tell	Yes	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell
Lopez et al, 2021	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell	Can't tell	Can't tell	*	Can't tell	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell	Can't tell
Lynch, 2021 293	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell	Yes	Yes	*	Can't tell	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell	Can't tell
Miller, 2021 ³⁰⁷	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell	Yes	Can't tell	*	Can't tell	Yes	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell
Mishkind et al, 2021 459	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell	Can't tell	Can't tell	*	Can't tell	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell	Can't tell
Norman, 2022 461	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	*	Can't tell	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell	Can't tell
Oelmeier, 2021 462	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Can't tell	Yes	Yes	*	Can't tell	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell	Can't tell
Peahl, 2021 329	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell	Yes	Yes	*	Can't tell	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell	Can't tell
Reider- Demer, 2022 ¹⁰²	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	*	Can't tell	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell	Can't tell
Saliba- Gustafsso n, 2020 354	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell	Yes	Yes	*	Can't tell	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell	Can't tell
Thomas, 2022 469	Yes	Yes	Can't tell	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell	Yes	Yes	*	Can't tell	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell	Can't tell
Van Citters, 2021 ⁴⁰²	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	*	Can't tell	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell	Can't tell
Watson, 2021 472	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	*	Can't tell	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell	Can't tell
Weems, 2021 473	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	*	Can't tell	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell	Can't tell
Weiskittle, 2022 474	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	*	Can't tell	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell	Can't tell
Williams, 2022 475	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell	Yes	Yes	*	Can't tell	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell	Can't tell
Zayde, 2021 ¹³⁰	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	*	Can't tell	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell	Can't tell
Zeghari, 2021 418	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Can't tell	Yes	Yes	*	Can't tell	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell	Can't tell

CASP questions: (1) Did the study address a clearly focused issue? (2) Was the cohort recruited in an acceptable way? (3) Was the exposure accurately measured to minimize bias? (4) Was the outcome accurately measured to minimize bias? (5a) Have the authors identified all important confounding factors? (5b) Have they taken account of the confounding factors in the design and/or analysis? (6a) Was the follow up of subject complete enough? (6b) Was the follow up of subjects long enough? (7) What are the results of this study? (8) How precise are the results (9) Do you believe the results? (10) Can the results be applied to the local population? (11) Do the results of this study fit with other available evidence? (12) What are the implications of this study for practice?

* See Appendix D Table D.31 for the study results.

Study	1	2	3	4	5	6a	6b	7	8	9	10	11
Agarwal et al, 2021 ⁴³⁷	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Can't tell	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell
Budhwani 2021 440	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	N/A	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell
Cox, 2021	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Can't tell	N/A	N/A	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell
Fogarty 2021 ⁴⁴⁷	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	N/A	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell
Gilbert, 2022 448	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	N/A	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell
Keppel 2022 ⁴⁵⁴	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	N/A	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell
Nguyen, 2021 ⁴⁶⁰	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	N/A	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell
Ouellette et al, 2021 ⁴⁶³	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell	N/A	N/A	Can't tell	No	N/A	N/A	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell
Patt, 2021	Yes	Yes	Can't tell	N/A	N/A	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell				
Payan 2022 ⁴⁶⁴	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	N/A	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell
Reid 2022	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	N/A	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell
Shur et al, 2020 466	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A	Yes	Can't tell	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell
Smith- MacDonal d, 2021	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	N/A	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell
Stewart, 2022 ⁴⁶⁷	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	Can't tell	N/A	N/A	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell
Story 2021 468	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	Can't tell	N/A	N/A	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell
Thomas, 2022 470	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	Can't tell	N/A	N/A	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell
Ward 2021 471	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	N/A	Yes	Can't tell	Can't tell

Table D.27. Risk of bias assessment of cross-sectional studies included in Key Question 4

CASP questions: (1) Did the study address a clearly focused issue? (2) Did the authors use an appropriate method to answer their question? (3) Were cases recruited in an acceptable way? (4) Were controls selected in an acceptable way? (5) Was the exposure accurately measured to minimize bias? (6a) Aside from the experimental intervention,

were the groups treated equally? (6b) Have the authors taken account of the potential confounding factors in the design and/or in their analysis? (7) How large was the treatment effect? (8) How precise was the estimate of the treatment effect? (9) Do you believe the results? (10) Can the results be applied to the local population? (11) Do the results of this study fit with other available evidence?

Table D.28. Strength of evidence measurement for telehealth interventions in Key Question 4

Studies, N	Implementation Outcome	Number of Studies (Participants)	Study Limitations	Directness	Consistency	Precision	Reporting Bias	Strength of Evidence
12 studies ^{102, 293, 307, 329,} 439, 443, 446, 447, 451, 455, 471, 472	Acceptability	8874 patients	Medium	Direct	Inconsistent ^d	Imprecise	Undetected	Moderate
18 studies ^{78, 102, 293, 329, 380, 435, 438, 440, 445-447, 454, 456, 462, 465, 466, 468, 469}	Acceptability	910 providers	High ^b	Indirect ^c	Inconsistent ^d	Imprecise	Undetected	Low
17 studies ^{78, 435, 438, 439, 443, 445, 445, 454, 457, 461, 466, 473, 474}	Acceptability	1932 patients 340 providers	High ^b	Indirect °	Inconsistent ^d	Imprecise	Undetected	Low
11 studies ^{293, 307, 418, 437, 439, 447-449, 451, 464, 473}	Adoption	363,365 patients	Medium	Indirect ^c	Inconsistent ^d	Imprecise	Undetected	Low
15 studies ^{293, 328, 380, 424, 435, 440, 442, 444, 445, 447, 458, 459, 465, 469, 471}	Adoption	487 providers	Medium	Direct	Inconsistent ^d	Imprecise	Undetected	Moderate
11 studies ^{78, 130, 293, 418, 437, 439, 445, 451, 455, 461, 471}	Appropriateness	1739 patients	High ^b	Indirect ^c	Inconsistent ^d	Imprecise	Undetected	Low
19 studies 78, 102, 293, 328, 329, 435, 438, 441, 444, 447, 452, 456, 462, 465, 467, 469, 471, 472, 474	Appropriateness	1379 providers	Medium	Indirect ^c	Inconsistent ^d	Imprecise	Undetected	Low
8 studies ^{130, 437, 445, 448, 451, 462, 471, 475}	Feasibility	676 patients	High ^b	Indirect ^c	Inconsistent ^d	Imprecise	Undetected	Low
7 studies ^{424, 438, 440, 448,} 464, 465, 468	Feasibility	265 providers	High ^b	Indirect ^c	Inconsistent ^d	Imprecise	Undetected	Low
7 studies ^{329, 435, 441, 448, 453, 458, 459}	Fidelity	419 providers	Medium	Indirect ^c	Inconsistent ^d	Imprecise	Undetected	Low
7 studies ^{329, 435, 445, 465, 472}	Sustainability	804 patients & 341 providers	High ^b	Indirect ^c	Inconsistent ^d	Imprecise	Undetected	Low

 (a) See Table 1 for the list of evidence; (b) No randomization, no control, and no protection against bias (e.g., convenient samples); (c) No comparison with routine care; (d) Single studies only, with no comparison sites

Author, Year	Target Participants	Implementation Strategy	Implementation Assessment	Assessment Framework	Emerging Qualitative Themes	Facilitating or Hindering Factors
Ouellette et al, 2021 ⁴⁶³	Providers	Offering virtual care nursing leadership training	Adapting training goals and content to meet learner needs during training sessions.	Normalization Process Theory	NR	NR
Lopez et al, 2021 ⁴⁵⁸	Providers	Delivering virtual cancer rehabilitation during the first 90 days of the COVID-19 pandemic.	Understand the experiences of patients and health care providers receiving and delivering virtual care.	Framework for Reporting Adaptations & Modifications- Expanded	Increased access & attendance to rehabilitation programming. Increased program capacity because of reduced burden for additional clinic space. Difficulty accessing private space at home. Unclear appointment reminders. Sense of reassurance and noted that they felt supported during a time of isolation and uncertainty. Able to establish rapport, particularly during video appointments because it normalized the virtual care experience. Communication barriers were more pronounced in a virtual environment, which hindered their ability to assess and build rapport with patients using interpretation services. Patient participants described virtual care as an isolating approach to their rehabilitation. Virtual visits were effective for screening a variety of cancer-related impairments. Physical therapists, occupational therapists, and physiatrists experienced more difficulties because of limitations in assessing musculoskeletal and neurologic impairments. Several challenges teaching locoregional rehabilitative exercises, resistance exercises, and lymphatic self-massage and bandaging. Patients felt worried about how accurately they were describing their physical limitations and symptoms. Most patients indicated that their confidence with receiving care virtually was increased with the provision of online resources and materials.	Multiple barriers were identified such as billing regulations for virtual care, organizational capacity, organizational readiness for change, and health & technical literacy of patients. Other barriers included communication challenges (e.g., language, speech impairments, cognitive impairments) and video quality & distances to cameras.

Table D.29. Implementation strategies and assessment frameworks for telehealth interventions in Key Question 4

Author, Year	Target Participants	Implementation Strategy	Implementation Assessment	Assessment Framework	Emerging Qualitative Themes	Facilitating or Hindering Factors
Mishkind et al, 2021 459	Providers	Virtualizing individual therapy and medication management visits for patients with mental health issues.	Assess the clinical outcomes of virtualizing mental health care.	Best practices in videoconferencing- based tele-mental health (Shore et al, 2018)	NR	Strong organizational leadership Staff willingness and commitment to take the timely actions necessary to virtualize Familiarity with tele-mental health services and existing protocols Rapid communication between staff Ability to understand and utilize regulatory flexibilities
Guarino et al, 2020 ⁴⁵²	Providers	Providing telemedicine services for patients with chronic liver disease at a tertiary care center during the COVID-19 lockdown.	Analyzing the benefits of using telehealth services in improving clinical outcomes.	NR	NR	Familiarity of the patients with telemedicine facilitated the implementation process. Prevalence of high-speed internet and smartphones affected the roll out of the telehealth services. Policy measures adopted by government during the COVID-19 lockdown facilitated the use of telehealth services.
Kapoor et al, 2020 ⁴⁵³	Providers	Developing a pediatric ophthalmology telemedicine program in the COVID-19 crisis	Describing the experience of a pediatric ophthalmology program in implementing a telemedicine program	NR	NR	NR
Careyva et al, 2021 ⁴⁴¹	Providers	Rapid implementation of virtual screening for COVID-19 in primary care	Assessing the key factors promoting rapid implementation of virtual screening for COVID-19	NR	NR	NR

Author, Year	Target Participants	Implementation Strategy	Implementation Assessment	Assessment Framework	Emerging Qualitative Themes	Facilitating or Hindering Factors
Zeghari, 2021 ⁴¹⁸	Patients	Using telehealth, backed by a mobile unit, to reach isolated older adults and administrating telehealth- enabled cognitive assessment.	Comparing the screening results of the telehealth approach with the classical face-to- face survey administration.	NR	Participants in the telehealth approach found the telehealth approach easier and would recommend it to others more than the face- to-face approach. Participants of the telehealth services expressed higher level of stress; however, they were willing to repeat the telehealth experience. Some participants expressed that the telehealth approach was easy to access and comfortable to conduct. Care assistants were positively surprised about the feasibility of the telehealth process.	Having an engineer, next to the assistant, to be present during the telehealth sessions ensured that technical equipment was used properly. Mobile units could be used as alternative if a participant did not have access to internet suitable for the telemedicine visit. Vulnerability and confidence in technology were possible barriers to acceptance of the technology for the participating patients. Internet access was the main concern, as rural areas were not always well served by high-speed internet. Presence of an assistant in the mobile units allowed patients to engage in human interaction while setting up the technology.
Childs et al, 2020 ⁴⁴²	Providers	Designing and deploying intensive outpatient group- based psychiatric care using telehealth.	Describing the processes and workflows for service delivery and early results of telehealth for intensive outpatient psychiatric services.	NR	NR	Using the preexisting telehealth infrastructure, including patient- and provider- initiated messaging within the electronic health record and patient portal video visits, was critical in ensuring no lapses in care.

Author, Year	Target Participants	Implementation Strategy	Implementation Assessment	Assessment Framework	Emerging Qualitative Themes	Facilitating or Hindering Factors
Lynch, 2021 ²⁹³	Patients	Offering an 18- week in-person and tele health services of patients with severe mental illness.	Measuring acceptance of telehealth services vs. in-person health services among patients with severe mental illness.	NR	Staff believed that telehealth was well- received by most patients, noting that some patients appeared more comfortable with telehealth sessions than in-person. Staff found telehealth more challenging for patients who had technology or gaming addictions, or symptoms associated with attention deficit hyperactivity disorder or autism spectrum disorder. Staff experienced some increased apprehension regarding patients missing sessions or being unresponsive to outreach. Increased feelings of exhaustion, with more staff time required to find or adapt materials, prepare, and plan session curricula. Though staff perceived the shift to telehealth as slightly more challenging for themselves than patients, they emphasized that they "learn[ed] to navigate" the technology and virtual interaction quickly. Staff highlighted that continuity of care had been preserved to a great extent with a swift transformation to virtual services that allowed the full range and structure of supports to still be offered. The conversion impacted staff communication, particularly since it constrained their ability to have informal, but essential, conversations.	Staff credited their existing strong relationships, team mentality, and increased support from supervisors. The "nimble" and "proactive" clinic organizational culture facilitated rapid transition and the ability to maintain continuity of care. Workflows and infrastructure were developed in anticipation of regulatory change, rather than in response. Prior to the COVID-related stay-at- home orders, administrators anticipated the changing regulatory landscape and prospectively formulated the workflow, technology, and workforce adaptations. Clinicians perceived younger patients had increased comfort with and access to technology but tended to be more susceptible to distractions. Patients with neurocognitive or attentional issues (e. g., attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder) required additional instruction and supports.

Author, Year	Target Participants	Implementation Strategy	Implementation Assessment	Assessment Framework	Emerging Qualitative Themes	Facilitating or Hindering Factors
	Providers	-	Qualitative interviews of clinicians and administrators to assess factors that both facilitated and hindered implementation.	-	Clinician perspective on group dynamics Relying on virtual interaction allowed for a positive shift in the dynamic between staff and patients. Group dynamics in virtual sessions were largely positive and similar to in-person sessions, with patients interacting with one another and not responding solely to the group leader. Staff believed that telehealth was particularly well-received by patients who had a diagnosis involving psychosis. Staff reported a few patients had technology- related concerns, such as "paranoia associated with being recorded, privacy, and allowing us to see them." Staff had lingering concerns that, for some patients, long-term telehealth utilization may hinder recovery. To encourage alternatives for broader community participation, staff increased suggestions for virtual educational, recreational, and social activities	Threshold for attendance was reduced, allowing patients who were reluctant to be around others, had difficulty traveling, or lived out-of-state to maintain access to services.
Peahl, 2021 329	Patients	Providing prenatal telehealth services to female patients of a medical institution.	Evaluating the initial adoption and care experience of patients using prenatal telehealth services.	NR	 Patients reported positive access experiences: virtual visits removed traditional barriers to care, such as employment, childcare, and travel time. The ability to afford home devices and access to reliable smart devices and internet were seen as important barriers to equity. Fewer than half of patients agreed with the statement "The quality of virtual visits is the same as exposure during the pandemic." Patients emphasized the importance of home device use in conjunction with virtual visits. Patient comfort in their own home and the ability to focus on patient questions and concerns. COVID-19 prenatal care model may be more difficult for first-time mothers, who may desire additional anticipatory guidance. 	NR

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	Providers	-	Evaluating the initial adoption of telehealth by providers offering prenatal services.	-	Providers reported positive experiences with virtual visits as it reduces traditional barriers to care and clinic inefficiencies. Concerns that barriers to care might disproportionately affect vulnerable populations. Fewer than half of providers agreed with the statement "The quality of virtual visits is the same as exposure during the pandemic." Concerns that usual prenatal care measurements, including blood pressure and fetal heart tones, were not incorporated into the model. Providers emphasized the importance of home device use in conjunction with virtual visits. High satisfaction with improved communication and counseling during virtual visits. Lower satisfaction about continuity, difficulty maintaining patient-provider relationships in new care models. Belief that virtual contact is not a perfect substitute for in-person relationship building.	NR
Saliba- Gustafsson, 2020 ³⁵⁴	Providers	Implementing telehealth video visits in ambulatory neurology during the COVID-19 pandemic.	Assessing the adoption, acceptability, and perceptions of potential sustainability of telehealth video visits for ambulatory neurology visits.	NR	NR	NR

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Miller, 2021 ³⁰⁷	Patients	Offering telehealth physical therapy in response to COVID-19 within a large urban academic medical center.	Identifying implementation strategies to maintain and scale up long-term telehealth physical therapy.	RE-AIM (reach, effectiveness, adoption, implementation, maintenance) framework	NR	Organizational factors that facilitated telehealth implementation included organizational policy changes, preexisting academic partnerships, and access to previously untapped telehealth resources (e.g., software, hardware). Clinician leaders (i.e., champions) were critical factors for addressing significant patient- and clinician-level barriers to telehealth implementation such as clinician education and process. Champions spearheaded clinician education efforts through multiple mechanisms and worked with leadership to conduct small tests of change that could be expanded to the larger group of clinicians. Engagement with external stakeholders through a satisfaction survey was a necessary step toward developing an understanding of potential for future adaptations of telehealth physical therapy. Consensus for which strategies should be used to maintain and scale up telehealth physical therapy was achieved among supervisors, champions, and academic stakeholders.

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Agarwal et al, 2021 ⁴³⁷	Patients	Leveraging telehealth to follow up with patients during the acute phase of COVID-19 (typically 14 days from symptom onset) or until they were discharged to community- based care from their primary care provider.	Assessing the adoption, feasibility, and safety of the telehealth services.	Adoption- Feasibility-Safety for early innovation (Proctor et al)	NR	NR
Shur et al, 2020 ⁴⁶⁶	Providers	Rapid development of telemedicine care for genetic consultation during COVID-19	Examining the challenges and limitations faced by rapid deployment of telemedicine programs	NR	NR	Mechanism to identify pitfalls and technology gaps along with capturing and distributing workarounds was vital to maintaining momentum. SODOTO (see one, do one, and teach one) approach was necessary to execute the plan. Buddy system enabled providers with real-time visit challenges to reach out and receive immediate support to reduce workflow interruptions. Hospital wide support for IT and telemedicine was beneficial specially when including a physician peer- support system.

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Gonzalez, 2020 ⁴⁵⁰	Providers	Adaptation of a telehealth program for inflammatory bowel disease patients during COVID-19 pandemic	To describe the adaptations of telehealth services during COVID-19 pandemic	NR	Of those who had experienced cancellation of face-to-face follow-up appointments and offered telephone consultations (n=46), 92% rated the experience as 'good' to 'excellent'. Overall, there was a high rate of satisfaction from the patients regarding the information provided. 95% of patients stated they received understandable information about level of risk. 92% of patients felt the telehealth service had provided them with enough information and guidance concerning the impact of COVID-19 on their disease and treatment. 91% rated their understanding about social distancing and self-isolation, and the information with which they had been provided, as good to excellent.	Implementation can be facilitated by learning from international collaborators about the pattern of the pandemic allowed for rapid implementation of adaptions to the service. Clear and frequent communication with the whole team, using frequent virtual meetings and group messaging platforms, ensured that the key messages were acted upon promptly early in the pandemic. Lack of data on the risks to patients from COVID-19, in particular on possible mitigation strategies to protect patients on immunomodulators and biologics, was a barrier in earlier implementation of changes.
Gromatsky, 2021 ⁴⁵¹	Patients	Piloting a novel telehealth group- based intervention to reduce acute stress related to COVID-19 among Veterans.	Measuring the reduced stress levels and patient satisfaction with the new telehealth program.	NR	A third of participants reported subjective stress and/or symptom reduction. A majority (75%) noted participation increased interpersonal connection and reduced isolation. Participants noted participation challenges, most notably technological and connectivity issues (65%) and discomfort with participating in a virtual group with strangers (25%).	Various challenges were identified as limiting factors such as: availability of internet connection, group size, session time, and clinician flexibility to troubleshoot technological difficulties.
Cox, 2021	Providers	Implementing telerehabilitation by community rehabilitation services during COVID-19	Understanding barriers and enablers to implementing telerehabilitation with community outpatients during COVID-19	Hybrid Implementation Design (Curran et al, 2012)	Baseline questionnaire responses identified 6 behavior domains to support to maximize implementation of telerehabilitation.	Multiple challenges were identified including internet access for patients, patient skill or experience of telerehabilitation, patient ability and safety to undertake telerehabilitation, and rapidly changing landscape of medicine during initial phases of COVID-19 pandemic.

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Patt, 2021 328	Providers	Using telemedicine to improve community cancer care during a pandemic	Describe utilization of telemedicine across community cancer care practices as a percentage of new and established patient visits.	NR	Clinical personnel suggested having additional time and effort to successfully have patients engage with the telemedicine platform and perform the usual preclinical functions such as vital sign assessment, confirming medications, documenting, and assessing pain. Positive feedback from patients with an increased desire for connection and community because of the isolation and uncertainty associated with the pandemic (regarding virtual support groups.	Main barriers were technical challenges, especially among older patients, and lack of broadband access, especially in rural areas.
Krasovsky et al, 2021 ⁴⁵⁶	Patients	Describing the development of telerehabilitation usage guidelines in a large pediatric hospital.	Evaluate the implementation and usage of telerehabilitation from the perspectives of families.	NR	NR	Several factors hindered the implementation of the telehealth rehabilitation services such as: presence of sibling's or child's personal toys; distractibility of child; availability of equipment; and previous relationship with child and clinician.
	Providers	-	Evaluate the implementation and usage of telerehabilitation from the perspectives of healthcare practitioners.	-	-	-

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Braune, 2021 ⁴³⁹	Patients	Remotely supporting children with type 1 diabetes and their caregivers during diabetes management.	Increasing the time that these children spend in the optimum glucose range and improving the children quality of life.	Service Design Methodology	Caregivers expressed a reduction in the amount of time and stress associated with hospital visits. Opportunity to be in a safe, comfortable, and familiar setting allowed for more engagement and dedicated interactions between families and health service providers. Families also believed that health service providers were less stressed, more dedicated, and focused. The ability to review data together can result in new and valuable insights for most stakeholders and enabled caregivers to adjust therapy. Remote care was perceived to be "more modern, timely and suited to their needs," with an improvement of the children well- being.	NR
Van Citters 2021 ⁴⁰²	Providers	Implement high- quality telehealth services among cystic fibrosis patients.	Qualitative exploration of facilitators and barriers to telehealth services.	Consolidated Framework for Implementation Research (CFIR)	NR	Process constructs were facilitators of implementation among programs that saw telehealth as similar quality to in- person care. External policies and incentives (e.g., temporary rules for providing telehealth) were facilitators for providing telehealth. Common barriers to reimbursement included identifying optimal billing structures within the context of time- based billing, limited reimbursement for home monitoring or telephone-only telehealth; inability to bill for the full multidisciplinary team; and lost revenue associated with lower patient volumes.

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Reider- Demer 2022 ¹⁰²	Patients	Telehealth implementation in an urban academic neurology department	Describe telehealth implementation; estimate the travel time savings for patients using telemedicine; and. measure patient satisfaction with telemedicine.	NR	NA	Reduced travel time for telehealth visits can be a facilitator/motivator for patients.
	Providers	-	Measure provider satisfaction with telemedicine.	-	NA	Reimbursement rates of telehealth services may hinder provision of services.
Norman 2022 ⁴⁶¹	Patients	Maintain genetic counselling services during the COVID-19 pandemic using telehealth services.	Assess referral, clinic volumes, wait times, and uptake of genetic testing while offered via telehealth.	NR	NA	Barriers included lack of access to genetic testing blood draws and longer times to give blood samples.
Kreider 2022 ⁴⁵⁷	Providers	Add telerehabilitation across VHA healthcare to the routine outpatient rehabilitation services.	Identify key practical strategies for engaging patients in telerehabilitation services for VHA providers.	NR	Willingness to give telerehabilitation a chance: A key ingredient Creativity and adaptability: Critical attributes for telerehabilitation providers Adapting assessments Adapting interventions Role and workflow adaptations Appraising for self the feasibility of the telerehabilitation modality Availability of informal, in-person support improves feasibility of telerehabilitation Shifts in the expectations by the patients and by the provider Benefit and anticipated future of telerehabilitation	Available administrative/IT support and resources enabled VHA providers to transition to telerehabilitation faster. Salient patient factors may make a patient a fit for telerehabilitation (e.g., falls risk, mental health status, caregiver availability, telehealth equipment). Preparing the patient and setting up the meeting ahead of time increase the chances of a successful telehealth session. Technical challenges faced by the patient may hinder the telehealth visit.

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Weiskittle 2022 ⁴⁷⁴	Providers	Address older adult's social isolation during the 1COVID19 pandemic using telehealth.	Survey of geriatric mental health clinicians who used telehealth to address the pandemic's mental health side effects.	Hybrid Type 1 design framework	Clinicians' satisfaction Utility/effectiveness Veterans' engagement Implementing wellness check-in and post- COVID content Opportunities for future modification	Technological challenges: access to high-speed internet; difficulty adapting to videoconferencing; and challenges related to telephone usage due to Veterans' functional impairment. Suggested content changes: More time for discussion; adaptation for cognitive challenges; and additional topics (e.g., grief/loss, finding community).
Corona 2021 ⁴⁴³	Patients	Offer a six- session behavioral intervention and support service model either in- person, through telemedicine, or through a hybrid service model.	Compare intervention feasibility, fidelity of implementation, child outcomes, and stakeholder satisfaction across service delivery models.	NR	NA	Reported benefits included reductions in travel and transportation barriers for families. Additional scheduling flexibility for caregivers with busy schedules was a facilitator. Consultants reported experiencing technology-related challenges (e.g., unreliable internet connection; difficulty setting up camera). Other barriers: challenges related to modeling certain behaviors for patients; difficulty establishing caregiver buy-in for telehealth services; and establishing rapport.
Albert 2021 438	Providers	Evolve processes developed for remote chronic disease management and preventive care.	Understand the experiences of primary care practices in rapidly shifting to telehealth during the COVID19 pandemic.	NR	Telehealth (and clinical workflow/performance) Chronic disease management Screening and preventive care Access to care and equity	Persons with less access to the Internet, technology, or knowledge of how to navigate technology were among those that were most challenging to engage in telehealth. Older adult population was difficult to reach; while they were fearful of in- person visits, they often had less access to, and experience with, technology.
El Zammar 2022 ⁴⁴⁶	Patients	Improve follow- up care for patients presenting to the ED using telehealth visits.	Assess the impact of the ED virtual care follow ups on patient outcomes.	NR	NA	Conditions that may require in-person follow up visits hinder the use of telehealth.

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	Providers	-	Assess the provider satisfaction for ED virtual care follow ups.	-	NA	Integrating imaging study and lab results can facilitate streamlining the ED flow using telehealth follow-up visits. Atypical presentation of specific conditions may result in delayed diagnosis if telehealth is being used, thus limiting such remote visits.
Keppel 2022 ⁴⁵⁴	Providers	Use telehealth to provide routine care to patients while ensuring safety and managing patients with a highly transmissible disease.	Assess clinical workforce, operations, and use of telemedicine early in the COVID-19 pandemic.	NR	NA	Access to needed technology for patients Patient willingness to use telemedicine Billing or reimbursement for telemedicine Quality of care that can be provided via telemedicine Maintenance of appropriate staffing and workflows to deliver care via telemedicine Required provider training to deliver telemedicine Clinician or staff willingness to use telemedicine Access to needed technology for clinic staff
Payan 2022 464	Patients	Use telemedicine during the pandemic at federally qualified healthcare centers (FQHCs) with a focus on language service provision.	Examine the patient facilitators and barriers to telemedicine implementation and use in FQHCs with a focus on language barriers.	Consolidated Framework for Implementation Research (CFIR)	Individual-level barriers and facilitators Housing and the home environment Technology Interpersonal support and technical or language assistance	Facilitator: Availability of audio-only visits Convenience Family members who provide technical assistance Clinic staff who teach patients to use platforms Language concordant providers or trusted sources for interpretation Barrier: Older age Limited English proficiency Limited digital literacy Lack of housing Lack of privacy in home settings Lack of equipment or services

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	Providers	-	organizational and technology facilitators and barriers to telemedicine implementation in FQHCs.		Personnel capacity Professional development capacity Technological capacity	Facilitators: Implementation champion at various levels (leader, peer) Clinic staff to prepare ahead of a visit IT personnel for equipment and technical support Bilingual personnel who provide high quality, language concordant care Commitment to patient-centered care and serving marginalized populations Use of external resources and peer learning Experience communicating by telephone Investing in equipment and software for use in office or remote settings Option to use audio-only visits
						Barriers: Negative impact of COVID-19 on operations Lack of knowledge or uncertainty about appropriate use Reimbursement policy confusion Lack of private workspaces for personnel Limited equipment for patients in home settings Difficulty integrating a third-party language interpretation service

Thomas 2022 ⁴⁶⁹	Providers	Implement telehealth services across 16 allied health departments over four health service facilities.	Determine the clinician, service and system level factors that influence sustained use of telehealth.	Non-adoption, Abandonment, Scale-up, Spread, and Sustainability (NASSS)	Forced telehealth adoption has increased clinician reluctance Value proposition for clinicians is lacking Lack of organizational readiness inhibited telehealth use; hybrid care needs to be integrated Clinicians perceive limited consumer demand for telehealth; greater consumer-end support required.	Develop guidelines and provide advice to clinicians about which patients are most likely to be amenable to telehealth Provide guidance to services and clinicians to assist them to tailor telehealth services to their own clinical needs Provide regular training on telehealth technology to clinicians and administrators Link clinicians to available support services and training resources for telehealth Consistently use one video conferencing platform for all staff Implement automated feedback cycle for video platform (e.g., log your issue) Integration of clinical functionalities into platform Assess and implement fit-for-purpose, user-friendly and appropriate hardware for clinicians Develop discipline-specific guidelines to prevent and manage adverse events Ensure standardized ways of offering telehealth to consumers Develop plans and strategies to increase geographical reach of specialist allied health services using telehealth Increase accessibility of telehealth to harder-to-reach population groups (e.g., culturally and linguistically diverse) Determine workflow of telehealth within each clinic Recognize that additional administration resources are likely to be required for telehealth Determine additional funding required to meet any additional funding required to meet any additional identified needs Reduce the appointment time window or provide a dedicated appointment
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						Develop a checklist for telehealth appointments that includes consent, privacy, consumer deidentification check Establish dedicated, private spaces available for telehealth appointments Reform funding models for activity based funding and weighted activity units Audit and evaluate telehealth services including consumer reported outcome and experience measures
Der Martirosian 2021 ⁴²⁴	Providers	Rapid uptake of telehealth services in a health care system.	Compare the use of telehealth services in a health care system 12 months before and after the onset of COVID19.	NR	Telehealth expansion Telehealth scheduling Telehealth modalities	Telehealth adoption can be facilitated by adopting new clinical workflows coordinating clinicians and staff. Experience with providing care over the phone for follow-ups and medication management prior to COVID19 facilitated telehealth adoption. Experience with video technologies via consultation appointments with patients in the past can also facilitate telehealth visits. Providers who do not schedule their own patients, described scheduling as a key barrier to telehealth adoption. Among Veterans, many patients did not have the technology for videoconferencing, hence using the telephone modality helped with the transition to telehealth services. Teaching patients who did not know how to use face-to-face remote technology proved to take too much time and be a barrier to telehealth adoption.

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Weems 2021 ⁴⁷³	Patients	Implement differing virtual caregiver support platforms during the COVID-19 pandemic.	Measure the pragmatic quality improvement project to enhance delivery of virtual support services for ADRD caregivers.	Consolidated Framework for Implementation Research (CFIR)	VA commitment to caregivers of veterans National social distancing mandates Semi-structured Facilitators have a wealth of caregiver support experience Structured implementation Technical issues Fluctuation in attendance Accessibility Empowering caregivers to identify needs Need to address access barriers	Aligns with VA mission National Caregiver Support Program (CSP) Exacerbated needs of veteran caregivers Social isolation Relatable Effective communication tools Personal experience Professional experience Facilitator training Facilitator training Facilitator handbook Participant workbooks Communication Lack of piloting No-shows Easy to access Barriers for those without internet access Participant distractions Well-structured Caregiver-centered Technological equipment Broadband access
Story 2021 468	Providers	Support training, protocol development, equipment, and guidance for better telehealth implementation at VHA's Arts Therapies.	Understand the barriers and identify potential solutions for better delivery of telehealth services.	NR	Training, experience, IT equipment, and internet issues Exercise focus, meditation, therapy groups, social groups, music therapy, leisure education, and wellness groups Intervention/platform specific, best practice, and equipment training Staffing, administrative support, networking, and veteran needs	Most consistently reported barrier to telehealth utilization was Veteran's lack of understanding. Lack of administration support, setting or environmental restrictions (e.g., lack of private office space) was a barrier to telehealth adoption. Another barrier was the difficulty with medical record documentation and a stop code for administrative purposes. Training, experience, and having the proper equipment/stable internet connections were identified as potential facilitators.

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Budhwani 2021 ⁴⁴⁰	Providers	Implement virtual care for mental health care at an academic ambulatory hospital.	Understand consistent facilitators of and persistent challenges to use virtual care and perceived impact on quality of care.	Non-adoption, Abandonment, Scale-up, Spread, and Sustainability (NASSS)	Behavioral Operational Cultural System or policy Quality of care perception	Behavioral barrier: Increased effort required by providers to deliver care during transition to virtual care Operational facilitator: Early targeted pilot prepared the department for virtual care delivery during the pandemic Cultural facilitator: Provider and staff acceptance and benefits of delivering virtual care System or policy facilitator: Availability of Virtual care billing codes for physician providers Quality of care perception: Perceptions on providing appropriate and patient- centered care Quality of care perception: Perceptions on the effectiveness of virtual care Quality of care perception: Perceptions on the effectiveness of virtual care Quality of care perception: Perceptions on equitable access to virtual care
Reid 2022	Providers	Rapid implementation of obstetric telemedicine during the COVID-19 pandemic.	Assess the rapid implementation of obstetric telemedicine during the COVID- 19 pandemic.	Consolidated Framework for Implementation Research (CFIR)	Provider perceptions of implementation Quality Adaptability Patient needs and resources Relative advantage Implementation climate Complexity Readiness for implementation Available resources Access to knowledge and information Knowledge and beliefs about the intervention Engaging	Travel time for an in-person visit is a major expense and may promote telehealth visits. Need to perform physical examinations, order labs, or do ultrasounds are barriers to telehealth adoption. Lack of patient access to at-home monitoring devices such as blood pressure machines, weight scales, and fetal heart doppler machines are barriers to telehealth adoption. Patient privacy and distractions are also barriers to patient comfort and a more efficient telemedicine visit.

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Fogarty 2021 ⁴⁴⁷	Patients	Provide virtual therapeutic services to women and children who have experienced intimate partner violence during the COVID19 pandemic.	Explore parents' experiences of participating in a parent-child telehealth intervention during the COVID19 pandemic.	NR	Positive intervention experience Therapeutic space and processes Outcomes of the program (i.e., Restoring Childhood) for families	Challenges for treatment: Difficulty maintaining attention and engagement across the telehealth sessions for children. Challenges for service delivery: Face- to-face sessions can allow for different therapeutic techniques and may be less tiring and more engaging for children.
	Providers	-	Assess clinician experience of participating in a parent-child telehealth intervention.	-	Service delivery Therapeutic space and processes\ Benefits for clients	Service delivery-therapeutic: Need to implement additional processes to ensure safety and confidentiality within sessions Service delivery-processes: Telehealth was more tiring than face-to-face therapy, describing increased fatigue.\ Working from home: Several challenges associated with delivering telehealth from home; and maintaining work-life balance.
Ward 2021	Patients	Implementation of a provider-to- provider telemental health intervention in unscheduled settings within the VHA.	To conduct a mixed-methods evaluation of an emergency telehealth intervention in unscheduled settings of the Veterans Health Administration (VHA).	Reach, Effectiveness, Adoption, Implementation, Maintenance (RE- AIM)	Timeliness Initial apprehension to try telemental health The COVID-19 pandemic Sustainability	NR

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	Providers	-	To conduct a mixed-methods evaluation of an emergency telehealth intervention in unscheduled settings of the Veterans Health Administration (VHA).	-	Timeliness Initial apprehension to try telemental health The COVID-19 pandemic Sustainability	NR
Gmunder 2021 ⁴⁴⁹	Patients	Implementation of telehealth services in an academic health system.	Identify variables that may affect telemedicine visit completion in order to determine actions that can be enacted across the entire health system to benefit all patients.	NR	NA	Technical, organizational, and behavioral hurdles to full adoption of telemedicine by health care providers. Patients who confirm appointment via the automated phone/text message are most strongly associated with a successful telemedicine visit completion. Having an active patient portal account predict the completion of telemedicine visits. Medical specialties group, including cardiology, gastroenterology, and pulmonology, had the lowest telehealth completion rates. The highest completion rates were by specialties, surgical specialties, and primary care physicians.

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Dennett 2021 ⁴⁴⁵	Patients	Rapid implementation of an exercise- based telerehabilitation program in response to COVID19 pandemic.	Complete a process evaluation of an exercise-based cancer telerehabilitation program.	NR	Service outcomes: Safety Implementation outcomes: Acceptability, adoption, feasibility, fidelity, and costs Client outcomes: Satisfaction, quality of life, and physical activity	Facilitators/Benefits: Convenience and efficiency Safe Communication General clinician support and understanding Access to friendly, knowledgeable staf Gained motivation Learning new things Access to exercise Personalized care Challenges/Barriers: Lack of social interaction Issues with fidelity Technology difficulties Lack of audio/visual feedback Managing symptoms Low motivation
	Provider	-	Complete a process evaluation of an exercise-based cancer telerehabilitation program.	-	Acceptability Adoption Feasibility Fidelity Costs"	NR

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Stewart 2022 ⁴⁶⁷	Providers	Implement remote asthma consulting in UK general practices.	Evaluate the rapid and reactive implementation of telehealth in general practice in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.	Extended Normalization Process Theory (eNPT)	Coherence Engagement Action Monitoring	Consensus required on purpose and possibilities Identify a practice champion to drive implementation Engagement of the whole practice and wider primary care team Preparation with the patient prior to consultation Adaptation of approach to complete required assessments remotely Provision of training and resources Personalized approach to patient needs Integration of acute and chronic remote asthma consulting Informal appraisal of impact based on experience of implementation Formal appraisal of impact based on measurement
Zayde 2021	Patients	Treatment engagement, acceptability, and psychiatric distress among patients after the onset of COVID- 19.	Compare treatment engagement (e.g., attendance and no-show rates) during sessions, before and after the transition to telehealth.	NR	NR	Challenges include lack of familiarity with and access to technology and connectivity as well as issues protecting confidentiality and data security. Many participants encountered initial technical difficulties yet persevered. Social distancing during the pandemic may have contributed to the motivation and engagement demonstrated by the participants.

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Thomas 2022 ⁴⁷⁰	Providers	Enable outpatient pharmacy services to be provided at a distance during the COVID-19 pandemic.	Determine the proportion of outpatient pharmacy appointments that were delivered via telephone and video consult before and after the start of the COVID19 restrictions. Understand the perceived clinician, service, and broader contextual challenges to using video consults within the outpatient pharmacy setting.	NR	The sudden disruptor role of COVID19 Influences on choice of telehealth modality	Redesign of workflows and an increase in workload A new hybrid model of care emerged The funding model incentive Pressure to meet activity targets Infrastructure and skilled workforce influences to adopt video consults Video consults are better but more challenging to implement than phone consults. Patient's support and familiarity with technology. Assumption that patients are not able to use the technology for video consults.

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Ketigian 2021 ⁴⁵⁵	Patients	Transition in- person Parkinson's programs to online visits at the start of the COVID19 pandemic.	Determine the practicability, satisfaction, and barriers to online telehealth programs, and their relationship to perceived symptoms, mood, and quality of life.	NR	NA	Major barriers in the Virtual Rock Steady Boxing program: Difficulty focusing Lack of enjoyment Cost Lack of safe space Internet connection problems Major barriers in the Virtual Support Groups program: Not the same as in-person Scheduling conflicts Forgetting appointments Already have support Nothing to talk about Major barriers in the Buddies program Akward virtual interactions Unaware of the program No expected benefits Speech difficulties Fatigue
Oelmeier 2021 ⁴⁶²	Patients	Implement remote consultations for prenatal care.	Evaluate both the technical feasibility and patient satisfaction with video consultations in a tertiary center for obstetric care.	NR	NA	Technical problems experiences durin video consultation (e.g., image and sound quality).
	Providers	-	Evaluate the provider satisfaction with video consultations in a tertiary center for obstetric care.	-	NA	NR

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Williams 2022 ⁴⁷⁵	Patients	Rapidly developing and implementing a pain- management program (PMP) in a hospital setting.	Improvement was measured qualitatively with frequent and repeated qualitative data collection, and quantitatively by patient demographic comparisons.	Model for Improvement Framework (MIF)	The importance of peer support Individualized care and access to support Program intensity Access to resources	Optimizing the patients' home environment for participation Interactive peer support Overcoming technical challenges Program intensity – avoiding videoconferencing fatigue Protecting staff well-being and communication Training for staff
Nguyen 2021 ⁴⁶⁰	Providers	Implement telehealth to reduce maternal health equities by providing doula support.	Explore changes to doula care using telehealth services during the COVID19 pandemic.	NR	Doula communication and support challenges during COVID19 Adapting and coping as a doula during COVID19	The limitations of virtual doula support The role of physical presence in doula advocacy Provider attitudes about doula care matter during a pandemic Miscommunication about doula services from providers and hospitals Adapting to virtual communication Coaching partners to provide support A growing interest in doula telehealth services Virtual doula education to raise awareness about inequity
Loftus 2022 ⁷⁸	Patients	Create multispecialty telehealth- enabled clinics for patients with chronic pain conditions.	To evaluate a multispecialty clinic for patients with central sensitization syndromes that combined virtual pre-visit consultations, traditional facet-to- face appointments, and technology- enabled educational programming.	NR	NR	Set patient expectations of upcoming clinical visits Provide clear communication about services provided within new clinic design Standardize clinic note Provide clear and concise communication among patients, physicians, and care teams Gather subspecialty expertise, refine patient scheduling, consolidate itinerary, and eliminate repetition of patient history Create digital, self-directed patient education program Provide a scalable virtual patient-centric education offering that can be completed within the patient's home

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	Provider	-	To evaluate a multispecialty clinic for patients with central sensitization syndromes.	-	NR	NR
Smith- MacDonald 2021 ³⁸⁰	Providers	Deploy trauma therapy via digital health for military, veteran, and public safety personnel.	Determine the barriers and facilitators experienced by mental health service providers in the transition to the use of digital health.	NR	Being forced into change Daring to deliver mental health services using digital health Future possibilities offered by digital health	Facilitators: Not having to travel Greater convenience Greater availability of services (i.e., more therapists available) Increased privacy Reduced mental health stigma from others Barriers: Lack of appropriate internet access Reduced privacy Reduced security Interruption to communications Lack of personal presence Difficulties developing a therapeutic relationship Challenges delivering or receiving therapeutic modality Issues of safety in case of negative response

Author, Year	Target Participants	Implementation Strategy	Implementation Assessment	Assessment Framework	Emerging Qualitative Themes	Facilitating or Hindering Factors
Gilbert 2022 ⁴⁴⁸	Patients	Implement virtual consultations in tertiary orthopedic rehabilitiation settings.	Measure patient preferences for orthopedic virtual consultation following COVID19.	Normalization Process Theory (NPT)	Normative expectations Relational expectations Congruence Potential Coherence Cognitive participation Collective action Reflexive monitoring	Establish the norms and rules for care Establish the ways in which patients and clinicians are organized and relate to each other Restrict or develop care pathways that are more easily accommodated in the patient's lifeworld Withhold or provide access to material and informational resources to patients Frame the ways patients make sense of the alternative consultation options Withhold or support patients to invest commitment into the alternative consultation options Make it harder or easier for patients to operationalize the alternative consultation options Frame the ways patients appraise the alternative consultation options
	Providers	-	Measure provider preferences for orthopedic virtual consultation following COVID19.	-	NR	NR
Watson 2021 472	Patients	Offer virtual care to cancer patients during the COVID19 pandemic.	Capture key learnings from a rapid virtual care implementation because of the COVID-19 pandemic and to understand the impact on patient experiences.	NR	NR	Less confident addressing topics of death and end-of-life in a telehealth visit. Difficult to comfort someone virtually. Impaired nonverbal communication inherent in conducting assessments over the phone.

Author, Year	Target Participants	Implementation Strategy	Implementation Assessment	Assessment Framework	Emerging Qualitative Themes	Facilitating or Hindering Factors
	Providers	-	Understand the impact of virtual care implementation on staff/clinician experiences.	-	NR	Unable to pick up on nuanced or nonverbal communication and could not read body language. No clear guidelines as to which patients are appropriate for virtual assessment and which are not. Telehealth visits save time and money on traveling, parking, and waiting. Virtual visits worked well for patients who are stable, not on active treatment, on follow-up, or have little or no complications.

IT=information and technology; n=sample size; NR=not reported

Author, Year	Implementation Outcomes	
Zeghari, 2021: 418		
Acceptability	Not assessed	
Adoption	Ten subjects were included in the mobile unit setting's first round. Two subjects withdrew from the study and did not attend the second appointment.	
Appropriateness	Cognitive scores had significant agreement between the two methods; however, some of the cognitive scores did not have significant agreement. The Wilcoxon Paired sample test did not show significant differences between the two methods.	
Feasibility	Not assessed	
Fidelity	Not assessed	
Implementation cost	Not assessed	
Penetration	Not assessed	
Sustainability	Not assessed	
Lynch, 2021: 293		
Acceptability	Though staff perceived the shift to telehealth as slightly more challenging for themselves than patients, they emphasized that they "learn[ed] to navigate" the technology and virtual interaction fairly quickly. The conversion impacted staff communication, particularly since it constrained their ability to have informal, but essential, conversations. 22% of the respondents both preferred telehealth sessions and believed that telehealth sessions were as good as in-person.	
Adoption	Ninety three percent% (n=56) of the 60 clients enrolled at the time of conversion agreed to maintain their specific treatment plans virtually. Four clients (7%) opted out of telehealth services at time of conversion. Tele- health required more purposeful, formal, and planned communication with patients.	
Appropriateness	Staff highlighted that continuity of care had been preserved to a great extent with a swift transformation to virtual services that allowed the full range and structure of supports to still be offered.	
Feasibility	Not assessed	
Fidelity	Not assessed	
Implementation cost	Not assessed	
Penetration	Not assessed	
Sustainability	Not assessed	
Peahl, 2021: 329		
Acceptability	Half of both patient and provider groups reported that the quality of virtual visits was not equivalent to inperson care.	
Adoption	Not assessed	
Appropriateness	Majority of both patients and providers were concerned about performing virtual care without home devices and missing pregnancy complications such as hypertension in pregnancy.	
Feasibility	Not assessed	
Fidelity	Not assessed	

Table D.30. Implementation outcomes of studies that included patient participants for telehealth interventions in Key Question 4 (n=25)

Author, Year	Implementation Outcomes	
Implementation cost	Our patients collectively saved 40,000 travel miles in 3 months—using the standard Internal Revenue Service mileage rate for vehicle wear (\$0.575), this equates to more than \$22,700 saved by patients in travel costs alone, not including reductions in childcare burden or the opportunity cost of missed work.	
Penetration	Not assessed	
Sustainability	Not assessed	
Miller, 2021: 307		
Acceptability	Satisfaction survey was sent to 1153 (75%) patients, and surveys were returned by 307 (27%) patients. The 10-item patient satisfaction survey was complete for 270 patients, and 254 (94%) were at least satisfied. Single yes/no question was completed by 305 patients, with 92% of respondents reporting willingness to participate in additional telehealth physical therapy sessions.	
Adoption	Telehealth physical therapy comprised 85% of sessions (84% new, 91% follow-up) during the implementation phase in 2020. Compared with the prior year, a greater proportion of patients reached were younger, primarily English speaking, non-Hispanic White, commercially insured, and had fewer medical comorbidities. All physical therapists conducted at least 1 telehealth session, indicating 100% adoption. The average (SD) proportion of physical therapists' sessions that were delivered using telehealth technology during the implementation phase was 89% (16%).	
Appropriateness	Consensus for which strategies should be used to maintain and scale up telehealth physical therapy was achieved among supervisors, champions, and academic stakeholders.	
Feasibility	Not assessed	
Fidelity	Not assessed	
Implementation cost	Not assessed	
Penetration	Not assessed	
Sustainability	Not assessed	
Agarwal, 2021: 437		
Acceptability	Not assessed	
Adoption	Over the study period, 97 patients had at least 1 visit, with a median of 4 (IQR 2–5) visits per patient. There was a total of 415 visits (62% booked as video visits). The median virtual length of follow-up was 8 (IQR 5–10) days.	
Appropriateness	The implementation resulted in the following negative outcomes: 4% of patients had an ED visit; 0% patients were hospitalized; and, 0% died	
Feasibility	Feasibility testing resulted in 25% sent oximeter, 5% sent thermometer, 4% patients having virtual consultation with internal medicine physician, 16% having virtual consultation with social worker, 6% having pharmacy consultation, and 1% having acute ambulatory care unit consultation.	
Fidelity	Not assessed	
Implementation cost	Not assessed	
Penetration	Not assessed	
Sustainability	Not assessed	

Gromatsky, 2021: 451

Author, Year	Implementation Outcomes
Acceptability	A majority (75%) noted participation increased interpersonal connection and reduced isolation. Participants perceptions of intervention acceptability (M=17.35, SD=2.21), appropriateness (M=17.05, SD=2.33), and feasibility (M=17.25, SD=2.17) were very high. Participants enjoyed and approved of the intervention and found it suitable, applicable, and easy to use.
Adoption	All referred Veterans expressed interest in VA CONNECT and consented, suggesting strong recruitment ability. Attendance and retention were also strong, with 95% attending ≥7 of the core treatment sessions (M=9.3 sessions, SD=1.95, range=2-10).
Appropriateness	A third of participants reported subjective stress and/or symptom reduction.
Feasibility	Interventionists spent only 2.3 hours/session on average, supporting VA CONNECT being both cost- and time-efficient.
Fidelity	Not assessed
Implementation cost	Not assessed
Penetration	Not assessed
Sustainability	Not assessed
Krasovsky, 2021: 456	
Acceptability	Not assessed
Adoption	Not assessed
Appropriateness	Not assessed
Feasibility	Not assessed
Fidelity	Not assessed
Implementation cost	Not assessed
Penetration	Not assessed
Sustainability	Not assessed
Braune, 2021: 439	
Acceptability	In 96.4% (118/122) of the consultations, participants felt confident with remotely uploading, accessing, and reviewing their data.
Adoption	The on-demand clinic service was used by 29% (8/27) of the families. Of these 8 families, 7 (88%) made use of this service once, and 1 (12%) used this service multiple times throughout the study.
Appropriateness	 During the monthly check-ups, 90.4% (110/122) of children fully achieved their individual therapy goals, and 6.1% (7/122) partially achieved their individual therapy goals. After completing 3 months of remote consultations, participants time in range (P=.001) and time in hyperglycemia (P=.004) significantly improved. After 3 and 6 months of remote visits, patients time in hypoglycemia did not significantly increase (3 months: P=.21; 6 months: P=.08), no significant changes in HbA1c levels were observed (3 months: P=.43; 6 months: P=.42), and patients psychosocial health significantly improved.
Feasibility	Not assessed
Fidelity	All enrolled participants completed 6 months of monthly remote visits. In addition, 57% (16/28) of the participants opted to remotely attend at least one of their regular clinic visits (i.e., those that occurred every 2-3 months) with their pediatric endocrinologist.

Author, Year	Implementation Outcomes
Implementation cost	Not assessed
Penetration	Not assessed
Sustainability	Not assessed
Reider-Demer 2022: 102	
Acceptability	Patient satisfaction with telehealth for neurological care management was high before and during the COVID19 pandemic. 83 (81%) pre-COVID19 survey responders and 788 (88%) COVID19 survey responders either agreed or strongly agreed that they were satisfied with a video visit for care management. 693 COVID19 survey responders (77%) said that they either agreed or strongly agreed that they would prefer to have future video visits for neurological care.
Adoption	Of 9,468 scheduled telemedicine visits, there were 279 no-shows (2.9%) and 9,189 successfully completed telehealth visits (97%).
Appropriateness	Not assessed
Feasibility	Not assessed
Fidelity	Not assessed
Implementation cost	Not assessed
Penetration	Not assessed
Sustainability	Not assessed
Norman 2022: 461	
Acceptability	Previrtual care, 3.2% (6/186) of patients who were offered genetic testing declined, compared with 4.7% (12/255) during virtual care (p=.438). Interestingly, a smaller proportion of individuals offered predictive genetic testing declined testing previrtual care (1/37; 2.7% vs during virtual care: 6/49; 12.2%); however, this difference was not significant (p=.231).
Adoption	No significant proportion of patients offered testing previrtual care (186/368, 50.5%) compared with postvirtual care (255/506, 50.4%; p=.965).
Appropriateness	The median time from test offered to blood draw was significantly shorter previrtual care (0 days) than postvirtual care (11 days; p<.001) and a significantly longer period between date of blood draw to results was noted previrtual care to during virtual care (36 vs 29 days; p=.001). The median length of time from receipt of results to disclosure was significantly shorter previrtual care (21 days vs 29 days during virtual care; p=0.034), as was the overall median wait time for genetic testing results (64 days vs 78 days p<.001). Importantly, with median wait times of 21.5 and 23 days, respectively, there was no difference between overall result wait times for urgent patients among previrtual care and during virtual care groups (p=.625).
Feasibility	Not assessed
Fidelity	Not assessed
Implementation cost	Not assessed
Penetration	Not assessed
Sustainability	Not assessed

Corona 2021: 4

Author, Year	Implementation Outcomes
Acceptability	Caregivers reported that the consultant with whom they worked was knowledgeable about interventions (92% reported strongly agree), communicated clearly (90% reported strongly agree), and provided useful recommendations (92% reported strongly agree). Caregivers also reported feeling satisfied with the outcomes of services (86% reported strongly agree). The majority of caregivers reported feeling that the telemedicine consultant was engaged during the session (86% endorsed strongly agree), that they were able to communicate their concerns to the consultant (89% endorsed strongly agree), and that the telemedicine session was private (75% endorsed strongly agree).
Adoption	Not assessed
Appropriateness	Across all groups, caregivers reported specific improvements in child communication development, as measured by various questionnaires. Similarly, caregivers reported increases across all composite scores from pre- to post- intervention.
Feasibility	Qualitatively, caregivers commented that telemedicine visits were convenient (n = 7) and provided an opportunity to continue services during the COVID19 pandemic (n = 2).
Fidelity	Overall, consultants reported completing an average of 82% of treatment objectives during the course of the intervention. Consultants reported that, on average, 70% of objectives were maintained over the course of the intervention.
Implementation cost	Not assessed
Penetration	Not assessed
Sustainability	Not assessed
El Zammar 2022: 446	
Acceptability	75% of respondents were very satisfied or satisfied with telephone virtual care as a follow-up to their ED visit. 60% of patients strongly agreed while 25% agreed that they understood the explanation of their condition that was provided during the telephone follow-up.
Adoption	Not assessed
Appropriateness	Not assessed
Feasibility	Not assessed
Fidelity	Not assessed
Implementation cost	Not assessed
Penetration	Not assessed
Sustainability	95% of patients would like to continue to receive telephone follow-up care from the ED in the future.
Payan 2022: 464	
Acceptability	Not assessed
Adoption	Audio-only visits were of particular benefit to reach patients of older age, with limited English proficiency, and with limited digital literacy.
Appropriateness	Some patients said it was difficult to assess the validity of different sources when they encountered conflicting information.
Feasibility	Not assessed
Fidelity	Not assessed
Implementation cost	Not assessed

Author, Year	Implementation Outcomes	
Penetration	Not assessed	
Sustainability	Not assessed	
Weems 2021: 473		
Acceptability	Older adults appreciated the strength of group facilitators and reported enhanced connectedness related to virtual support.	
Adoption	Telehealth was easy to access, but barrier such as technological equipment & broadband access, and participant distraction limited the adoption Recruitment involved reminders and one-on-one discussions to encourage participation.	
Appropriateness	Not assessed	
Feasibility	Structured and comprehensive content included in the facilitator training, facilitator handbook and participant workbook empowered facilitators in content delivery.	
Fidelity	Not assessed	
Implementation cost	Not assessed	
Penetration	Not assessed	
Sustainability	Not assessed	
Fogarty 2021: 447		
Acceptability	Engaging in the online program was less stressful and more comfortable for children. Children appeared to enjoy and/or reported that they liked the telehealth sessions, with parents expressing relief that their child had a positive experience of help-seeking.	
Adoption	Telehealth modality increased accessibility of the service, particularly for parents with multiple children who may otherwise have had to arran childcare to attend sessions. Some parents noted a preference for some face-to-face sessions which can allow for different therapeutic techniques and may be less tiring more engaging for children than screen time. Telehealth enabled parents to access therapeutic services for their child without taking time off work or arranging childcare for siblings.	
Appropriateness	Parents, children, and clinicians were able to develop a strong level of trust and connection. Creativity of online activities was noted as a strength by parents who described how it assisted in rapport building and engagement with their children. Participating in the telehealth program and the support and therapy provided contributed to an increase in parenting skills and confidence.	
Feasibility	At times children had difficulty maintaining attention and engagement across the telehealth session, particularly after spending considerable amounts of time in front of a screen during the day for remote learning at school.	
Fidelity	Not assessed	
mplementation cost	Not assessed	
Penetration	Not assessed	
Sustainability	Not assessed	

Ward 2021: 471

Author, Year	Implementation Outcomes
Acceptability	Patients were willing to try telemental health because of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. 97% of patients agreed that the intervention improved access to mental health services. 96% of patients agreed that the intervention added value to their care. 99% agreed that they were very satisfied with the intervention. The perception of improved speed and efficiency of care contributed to increased patient satisfaction. Patients had a positive experience with telemental health, likely due to the timeliness of care.
Adoption	Demographics of the consultations were similar between preimplementation in-person compared with telemental health consultations postimplementation. The distribution of visits by site, age group, sex, race, and rurality was unchanged; however, in-person visits post-implementation were older, more likely to be female, Black, and urban.
Appropriateness	Safety and efficacy outcomes did not decline postimplementation.
Feasibility	99% of patients agreed that the sound quality was good. Patients identified minor technical barriers that were easily overcome. Telemental health also offered advantages over other forms of unscheduled mental health care provided during the pandemic (e.g., telephone) such as the ability to take down one's mask during the virtual encounter.
Fidelity	Not assessed
Implementation cost	Not assessed
Penetration	Not assessed
Sustainability	Following implementation, telehealth use was tracked for an additional 10 months and a total of 1010 telemental health consultations were performed. Use of telemental health remained steady at 82% of all consultations ranging from 73% (Dec 2020) to 88% (Jun 2020).
Gmunder 2021: 449	<u> </u>
Acceptability	Not assessed
Adoption	 Being a new patient (i.e., not a follow-up visit) was associated with a 12.5% decrease in odds compared with being a follow-up for the provider (p<.001). Patients who confirmed their appointment were 6.6 times more likely to complete their visit compared with those that did not answer the phone or text message (95% CI 6.483-6.717). Even those who only answered the phone call reminder but did not confirm the visit were almost twice as likely to complete their visit than those who had not answered (OR 1.930, 95% CI 1.790-2.081). MyUHealthChart portal status not activated had a 68.5% decrease in odds of visit completion in comparison to the activated MyUHealthChart reference group (p<.001). MyUHealthChart status of patient declined was associated with a 55.4% decreased odds of completion compared with the MyUHealthChart reference group (95% CI 0.344-0.577).
Appropriateness	Not assessed
Feasibility	Not assessed
Fidelity	Not assessed
Implementation cost	Not assessed

Author, Year	Implementation Outcomes		
Penetration	Not assessed		
Sustainability	Not assessed		
Dennett 2021: 445			
Acceptability	The telehealth program was acceptable to both patients. The median score on the System Usability Scale was 77.5 (IQR 67.5-90), indicating above average usability of telerehabilitation.		
Adoption	Not assessed		
Appropriateness	Perception of safety was increased when patients used video.		
Feasibility	Main challenges of the program described by patients was poor internet infrastructure and lack of private space to complete online consults.		
Fidelity	 Most sessions were conducted via videoconference (n=381, 55%), followed by telephone (n=294, 42%), with the remaining sessions conducted in person. All patients received health coaching from a physiotherapist. A total of 61 (50%) patients received at least one nursing session. A total of 17 patients were referred to other disciplines from supporting programs. The average individual telehealth session duration was 25 (SD 9) minutes. Patients attended 80% (674/843) of scheduled 1:1 telehealth sessions. The primary reasons for nonattendance were unable to contact/forgot (90/169, 53% missed sessions), followed by conflicting appointments (37/169, 22% missed sessions). 		
Implementation cost	There was no cost to patients receiving telerehabilitation. Three patients required a home visit due to safety concerns, and 8 participants attended sessions at the center, as the program transitioned in and out of COVID19 restrictions.		
Penetration	Not assessed		
Sustainability	Not assessed		
Zayde 2021: 130			
Acceptability	On average, the participants reported high levels of alliance and cohesion after their first telehealth session. All participants perceived fit of the leader's and group's approach; feeling like part of the group; and feeling understood, respected, and accepte by the leader and the group.		
Adoption	No-show rates decreased after the transition to telehealth relative to those for in-person treatment prior to the transition. The transition to the telehealth format had a small effect on participant no-show rates, although this decrease did not reach statistical signific In-session participation rates were 100% during the in-person sessions and remained at 100% during the telehealth sessions. Duration of attendance was 95% across all in-person sessions and increased marginally to 97% across all telehealth sessions.		
Appropriateness	Participants reported significantly fewer depressive symptoms (i.e., lower PHQ-9 scores) at the 20-week follow-up than they did prior to the telehealth session. Participation in telehealth sessions had a large effect on depressive symptoms, with a statistically significant mean decrease of 4.70. Participants reported significantly fewer symptoms of anxiety (i.e., lower GAD-7 scores) at the 20-week follow-up than they did prior to their telehealth session. Participation in telehealth sessions had a large effect on symptoms of anxiety, with a statistically significant mean decrease of 5.40.		
Feasibility	25% of participants reported concerns about privacy. These concerns included being at home with other household members, other group members having household members at home, and technology-related issues such as hacking.		
	members having household members at home, and technology-related issues such as having.		
Fidelity	Not assessed		

Author, Year	Implementation Outcomes	
Penetration	Not assessed	
Sustainability	Not assessed	
Ketigian 2021: 455		
Acceptability	Overall, perceived improvements in symptoms and mood, together with the majority of respondents reporting very satisfied with each program, underscore satisfaction.	
Adoption	Prior to the pandemic, an estimated 125 patients regularly attended at least one session per week. Attendance was not tracked for in-person support groups for anonymity purposes. By the end of July 2020, an estimated 75 patients were taking part in at least one virtual program. Virtual visits averaged 30 to 35 participants for the high functioning class.	
Appropriateness	Majority of vRSB respondents felt the program improved their motor symptoms (83%) and mood (74%), with many reporting they would continue with online classes post pandemic (59%).	
Feasibility	Barriers to participation in online programs were few and unique to each program with the most common barrier to vRSB being other (ex: difficulty focusing) (48%), to vSG, not the same as in-person (25%) and to Buddies, it would be awkward/I would have nothing to talk about (27%).	
Fidelity	Not assessed	
Implementation cost	Not assessed	
Penetration	Not assessed	
Sustainability	Not assessed	
Oelmeier 2021: 462		
Acceptability	88% of participants had never used a video consultation with a health care professional before, but 96% of participants would do so again after their experience.	
Adoption	Not assessed	
Appropriateness	96% percent of remote consultations were considered useful.	
Feasibility	More than one-third (37%) of the video consultations encountered technical problems of some kind.	
Fidelity	Not assessed	
Implementation cost	Not assessed	
Penetration	Not assessed	
Sustainability	Not assessed	
Williams 2022: 475		
Acceptability	A number of participants felt that video-conferencing sessions lasting 45-60min would be more tiring compared to face-to-face sessions and th could lead to lapses in concentration. It was suggested that group sizes should not fall below four patients to enable a good group dynamic but should be limited to enable discussio without becoming overwhelming.	
Adoption	Not assessed	
Appropriateness	Not assessed	

Author, Year	Implementation Outcomes	
Feasibility	Maintaining access to physical written resources, gym facilities and exercise equipment was important to patients, and it was observed that these would not be accessible in the home environment. Paper-based resources such as technology guides, timetables and introductions to therapists were identified as essential for successful preparation. Sending information in advance was recommended.	
Fidelity	Not assessed	
Implementation cost	Not assessed	
Penetration	Not assessed	
Sustainability	Not assessed	
Loftus 2022: 78		
Acceptability	Patients provided positive feedback regarding their virtual previsit consultation as part of the complex care coordination telehealth clinic. Patients found the video call a very important interaction to allow them to tell their sign and symptoms to the doctors. Patinets found the telehealth approach suitable when traveling or living out of the state.	
Adoption	When compared the comparison cohort, the telehealth complex care coordination clinic did not statistically significantly increase the number of appointment, imaging, or procedures	
Appropriateness	More patient medical advice was given to the patients in the telehealth coordination clinic but it was not statistically significantly different from the comparison cohort.	
Feasibility	Not assessed	
Fidelity	Not assessed	
Implementation cost	Not assessed	
Penetration	Not assessed	
Sustainability	Not assessed	
Gilbert 2022: 448		
Acceptability	Patients felt interactions over virtual care were inferior to face-to-face care; however, patients were willing to compromise and accept virtual consultation during COVID19. If concerned about their problem, patients often felt that a face-to-face assessment was preferable to a virtual consultation visit. Patients valued the extra time with their clinician and found this aspect of the virtual consultation to be beneficial. Patients had set expectations about their own progress and were reluctant to engage a modality if they felt it was less effective than their preferre option.	
Adoption	Each individual patient had varying degrees of ability to incorporate virtual consultation. Some patients found that virtual care was more easily incorporated into their life than an in-person consultation and would consider using virtual consultation in the future beyond COVID19. Patients' access to resources shaped their ability to engage with virtual consultation. Patients who found face-to-face attendance challenging were more committed to virtual consultation. Virtual consultation rehabilitation was challenging in the home environment for some patients. Some patients and clinicians did not have the technical skills required to be able to use virtal consultation.	
Appropriateness	It was not possible to conduct the range of interventions that were often needed if the patient's video device was not portable.	

Author, Year	Implementation Outcomes
Feasibility	There was recognition that different individuals would have different access to resources.
Fidelity	Not assessed
Implementation cost	Not assessed
Penetration	Not assessed
Sustainability	Not assessed
Watson 2021: 472	
Acceptability	Patients reported high satisfaction with virtual visits with percentage of positive responses ranging from 69.3% to 94.5%. Only 35.8% agreed or strongly agreed that it was easy to meet patients' needs who attended a virtual appointment. When asked about their confidence in meeting specific patient needs virtually, generally low levels were reported (50% confident).
Adoption	Not assessed
Appropriateness	Not assessed
Feasibility	Patients expressed positive experiences with ease of accessing care virtually while saving travel time for themselves, their family, and/or care providers.
Fidelity	Not assessed
Implementation cost	Not assessed
Penetration	Not assessed
Sustainability	Overall, 67% of patients indicated interest in receiving some degree of virtual care beyond the pandemic. Only 10% did not want to receive any virtual care in the future. The remaining 23% were either unsure or responded with a variation of yes.

ED=emergency department; IQR=interquartile range; M=mean; n=sample size; P=p-value; SD=standard deviation; VA=Veteran's Affairs

Author, Year	Implementation Outcomes
Ouellette, 2021: 463	
Acceptability	Not assessed
Adoption	Not assessed
Appropriateness	Not assessed
Feasibility	Flexibility in adapting training goals.
Fidelity	Not assessed
Implementation cost	Not assessed
Penetration	Not assessed
Sustainability	Not assessed
Lopez et al, 2021: 458	
Acceptability	Not assessed
Adoption	Number of referrals increased substantially over the course of the first 90 days. Attendance rates ranged from 80%-93% across visit types and remained relatively consistent throughout the 90 days. The proportion of appointments completed over video compared with phone increased substantially after the first 30 days. Maximum number of comprehensive assessments that could be scheduled per week slightly decreased; however, the capacity for most 1-on-1 appointments increased.
Appropriateness	Average wait time decreased for comprehensive assessments (12 weeks in-person vs 4 weeks virtual), in part because of the decrease in referrals during the initial hospital-wide shift to virtual care.
Feasibility	Not assessed
Fidelity	Virtual care demonstrated an increase in the number of completed visits for all appointment types compared with the previous 3 months of in- person care.
Implementation cost	Not assessed
Penetration	Not assessed
Sustainability	Not assessed
Mishkind, 2021: 459	
Acceptability	Not assessed
Adoption	10.6% decrease in scheduled appts immediately following virtualization compared with the prior 2 weeks Completed visits decreased 6.33% from immediately pre- to immediately post-virtualization Overall monthly average of scheduled appointments increased with no-show rates decreasing. The daily mean of scheduled visits increased 17.8% from 46.5 to 54.8 across 6 months post-COVID virtualization.
Appropriateness	Not assessed
Feasibility	Not assessed

Table D.31. Implementation outcomes of studies that included provider participants and/or health systems for telehealth interventions in Key Question 4 (n=39)

Author, Year	Implementation Outcomes
Fidelity	Clinic volume was back to, and beginning to exceed, immediately pre-COVID rates within a month of virtualization. The decrease in no-show rates led to a 26.2% increase in completed visits from a mean of 40.5 per day the first 2 months of the year to a mean of 51.1 post-COVID.
Implementation cost	Not assessed
Penetration	Not assessed
Sustainability	Not assessed
Guarino, 2020: 452	
Acceptability	Not assessed
Adoption	The telemedicine system did not postpone appointments, thus preventing any unintended loss to follow-up.
Appropriateness	A sizeable proportion (about 75%) of outpatient visits can be managed effectively with telemedicine without compromising patients health or quality of care.
Feasibility	Not assessed
Fidelity	Not assessed
Implementation cost	Not assessed
Penetration	Managed to avoid a surge in outpatient activity after the lockdown due to a backlog of postponed care.
Sustainability	Not assessed
Kapoor, 2020: 453	
Acceptability	Not assessed
Adoption	Virtual visits were offered to 237 patients. Of these, 25 patients declined, and 212 visits were scheduled.
Appropriateness	Not assessed
Feasibility	Not assessed
Fidelity	Of the scheduled visits, 206 (97%) were completed by 7 providers. Of these, 43 were new patient visits and 163 were follow-up visits.
Implementation cost	Not assessed
Penetration	Not assessed
Sustainability	Not assessed
Careyva, 2021: ⁴⁴¹	
Acceptability	Not assessed
Adoption	During the 11-week study period, 10,673 e-visits and 31,226 video visits were completed, for a total of 41,899 virtual visits. Video visits made up 60% (n = 7,688) of COVID-19 screening virtual visits, and 40% (n = 5,058) were e-visits.
Appropriateness	COVID-19 tests for 4,267 were ordered because of these COVID-19 virtual visits, for an overall testing rate of 33%.
Feasibility	Not assessed
Fidelity	Of the 41,899 visits, 12,746 were conducted for COVID-19 screening for patients expressing symptoms consistent with COVID-19.
Implementation cost	Not assessed

Author, Year	Implementation Outcomes
Penetration	Not assessed
Sustainability	Not assessed
Childs, 2020: 442	
Acceptability	Not assessed
Adoption	During the first week of COVID-19 shutdown, telehealth comprised 65.45% of the visit volume, where 100% of these visits were telephonic sessions. In the second week of the pandemic response, telehealth accounted for 91.6% of the visit volume, where the bulk remained telephonic (83.49%)
	with a small margin of patient portal video visits at 15.6%. By the third week of the pandemic response, virtually no visits occurred in person, with 99% of the visit volume being accounted for by telehealt
Appropriateness	Not assessed
Feasibility	Not assessed
Fidelity	Not assessed
Implementation cost	Not assessed
Penetration	Not assessed
Sustainability	Not assessed
Lynch, 2021: 293	
Acceptability	Challenges were found related to increased interruptions and distractions during sessions. The clinic adopted a collaborative approach to help clients navigate "the social grace" of engaging in online group therapy. Session attendance did not significantly differ over time or between in-person and telehealth formats.
Adoption	In the six-weeks prior to the telehealth conversion (pre), the clinical sample (n=60) attended an average of 22.58 (SD=14.02) sessions (3.76/ week) while missing an average of 5.63 (SD=5.71) sessions (0.94/ week). Following telehealth conversion (post1), 56 in-person participants and 8 newly consented individuals accepted telehealth (n=64) attended an average of 22.48 (SD=15.87) sessions (3.75/week), while missing an average of 4.31 (SD=4.13) scheduled sessions (0.72/week). During the subsequent six-week period (post2), telehealth participants (n=62) attended an average of 23.53 (SD=14.89) sessions (3.92/week), while missing an average of 2.37 (SD=2.12) scheduled sessions (0.4/ week). During the 18-week study timeframe, there were no documented psychiatric decompensations or referrals to higher levels-of-care.
Appropriateness	Managing group dynamics in virtual sessions required more active facilitation.
Feasibility	Not assessed
Fidelity	Not assessed
Implementation cost	Not assessed
Penetration	Not assessed
Sustainability	Not assessed

Peahl, 2021: 329

Author, Year	Implementation Outcomes
Acceptability	Home devices were seen as important for patient and provider comfort. 92.2% of patients (213 of 231) and 95.5% of providers (63 of 66) believed that a home blood pressure cuff was important for virtual prenatal visits.
	84.8% of patients (196 of 231) and 71.2% of providers (47 of 66) believed that a home fetal Doppler was important. Many patients and almost all providers reported that the COVID-19 prenatal care model improved patients' access to prenatal care. Most patients (92.9%) and providers (88.3%) reported that using virtual visits was easy. Providers (39%) reported more technical issues than patients (7.9%).
Adoption	Prenatal care visit volume decreased by 31.6%, from 1051 visits before the pandemic, to 719 visits during the week of June 28, 2020. During th time, virtual visits also increased from 101 to 239 (136.6%).
Appropriateness	Most patients and providers felt prepared to conduct virtual prenatal visits.
Feasibility	Not assessed
Fidelity	Across the pre- and postimplementation periods, the average total visit volume fell from 898 to 765 visits (16.1%), and the average weekly proportion of virtual prenatal visits increased from 10.8% (97 of 898) to 43.3% (330 of 761).
Implementation cost	The 1265 patients seen over the study period saved more than 40,000 miles of travel through the conversion of in-person visits to virtual care.
Penetration	Not assessed
Sustainability	More providers (92.2%) than patients (40.3%) reported willingness to continue telehealth visits after the pandemic.
Saliba, 2020: ³⁵⁴	
Acceptability	Technology was one of the top 3 concerns regarding video visits for 30 (63%) survey respondents. Perceptions of workflow efficiency were mixed. Major issues included rigid video visit scheduling, note-taking efficiency, and pre-visit planning. 40 (83%) surveyed clinicians agreed or strongly agreed that video visits supported their overall well-being. Most survey respondents (n=39; 81%) agreed that video visits should be supplemented with in-person visits. A concern mentioned by a minority of interviewees and 7 (15%) surveyed clinicians was that patients may find video too convenient and opt out of recommended in-person visits.
Adoption	Out of the 68 clinicians in the department's 11 ambulatory subspecialties, 66 clinicians conducted regular video visits during the 8-week implementation period. During the 8-week implementation period, video visit adoption was high based on both percentage of clinicians using them, and percentage of visits completed via video. Within the first two weeks, 52 (79%) clinicians integrated video into their practice, increasing to 65 (98%) clinicians by week 6. Almost all (92%) visits were conducted via video and adoption of video visits was high for both new and return patient visits (93% and 91% of completed visits, respectively).
Appropriateness	 Barriers included access to technology, technological literacy, and language. Physical examination was more time-consuming, required assistance from caregiver at times as camera positioning and lighting were sometime a limitation. Majority agreed that new patient visits, and patients with acute conditions and declining health, were less suited due to relative ease of the complete physical examination.
Feasibility	Not assessed
Fidelity	The total number of completed visits, conservatively estimated, was almost 80% of expected visits based on the 2019 comparison period.
Implementation cost	Not assessed

Author, Year	Implementation Outcomes
Penetration	Not assessed
Sustainability	Most clinicians were positive toward video visits and believed they could incorporate video into their practice long-term, although several insiste that video cannot replace a full in-person examination. Pre-visit screening and triage to determine which patients are best suited for video was considered burdensome, which could compromise sustainability.
Shur, 2020: 466	
Acceptability	Providers expressed satisfaction with this model and internal polling showed that all providers wanted some form of telemedicine in their practic with the majority targeting around 50%.
Adoption	Patient no-show rates from comparable time periods for in-person visits were 13.6 and 14.4% respectively. For pre-COVID telemedicine visits (= 136) the no-show rate averaged 9.1% and post-COVID (n = 474) was 8.9%. From the start of the post-COVID-19 telemedicine conversion, 150 medical geneticist encounters were captured. There were 116 additional charges by genetic counselors and dietitians.
Appropriateness	Not assessed
Feasibility	Not assessed
Fidelity	Not assessed
Implementation cost	From the launch of the pilot program, medical geneticists, genetic counselors and dietitians participated; however, only medical geneticist billing was allowed by the hospital compliance team.
Penetration	By week three, the program was at 80% of normal clinical productivity.
Sustainability	Not assessed
Gonzalez, 2020: ⁴⁵⁰	
Acceptability	Not assessed
Adoption	Fourfold increase in advice line contacts during the study period, increasing from 58 calls to 238 calls. 59% of the calls during the study period were for COVID-19 related queries, 13.4% were related to IBD flares, and 27.8% were related to advice about medications including home supply of biologics and supply issues of thiopurines. 27 new patients commenced biologics in the study period in comparison to 13 patients during the corresponding period in 2019.
Appropriateness	Of the 18 new referrals who had virtual consultations for suspected inflammatory bowel disease, 11 patients had calprotectin performed in primary care, and for the remaining seven, calprotectin was arranged by the service. Six patients were admitted – five with ulcerative colitis and one with Crohn's disease – and one patient required colectomy. Four patients were initiated on biologics during admission.
Feasibility	Not assessed
Fidelity	Not assessed
Implementation cost	Not assessed
Penetration	Not assessed
Sustainability	Not assessed
Cox, 2021: 444	

Author, Year	Implementation Outcomes
Adoption	Previous telerehabilitation experience was limited with only 10% having used telerehabilitation for assessment of clients and monitoring of therapy sessions, 7% having used telerehabilitation to deliver therapy sessions, and 3% using telerehabilitation for group therapy programs At the conclusion of the 6-week brief intervention, more than half of all client consultations (58%) were taking place via telerehabilitation.
Appropriateness	The proportion of participants who reported using telerehabilitation for assessment and monitoring rose to 54%, for delivery of therapy sessions to 27%, and for 12% of group therapy programs.
Feasibility	Not assessed
Fidelity	Not assessed
Implementation cost	Not assessed
Penetration	Not assessed
Sustainability	Not assessed
Patt, 2021: 328	
Acceptability	Not assessed
Adoption	Our practice conducted 50,000 telemedicine visits with patients yet had a substantial gap in the number of new and established patients from what we had forecasted we would serve year over year. After onboarding, telemedicine comprised about 15%-20% of new patient visits and 20%-25% of established patient visits.
Appropriateness	No-show rates by telemedicine for established patients were 50% of the no-show rate for traditional office visits during COVID-19.
Feasibility	Not assessed
Fidelity	Not assessed
Implementation cost	Not assessed
Penetration	Nursing and practice administration developed workflow guidelines, and more than 900 clinical support staff were trained on the platform to guide patients and perform usual clinical duties through the platform. Educational content was developed in the form of hand outs and website content to educate patients about the telemedicine platform to optimize engagement and specification requirements. Local tech support was trained on the platform to optimize audio and video interface. Patient education and support were developed and provided through web-based tools and support staff directly. Clinic liaisons were trained to provide information to referring providers on the ability to conduct telemedicine services for management of new and established patients.
Sustainability	Not assessed
Krasovsky, 2021: ⁴⁵⁶	
Acceptability	Results showed that when comparing the different goals, therapists estimated that the ability to maintain the therapeutic alliance was superior to the ability to achieve other goals. Results identified environmental characteristics, such as the presence of siblings or the child's personal toys, as facilitators for therapy.
Adoption	Not assessed
Appropriateness	Items related to the child component were scored significantly lower than those related to the session itself or to the parent. The ability to evaluate the status of the child and to efficiently transfer feedback were particularly reduced. Our results further showed that with younger children, the ability to communicate feedback, grade levels of difficulty and provide guidance for parents was diminished. Our results further demonstrated that the ability of telerehabilitation to provide coping strategies for parents was relatively high.

Author, Year	Implementation Outcomes
Feasibility	Not assessed
Fidelity	Not assessed
Implementation cost	Not assessed
Penetration	Not assessed
Sustainability	Not assessed
Van Citters 2021: 402	
Acceptability	Readiness to adopt telehealth (i.e., individual stage of change) was a facilitator for programs that saw telehealth as similar quality to in-persor care and barrier for programs that saw telehealth as worse quality.
Adoption	Not assessed
Appropriateness	Innovation characteristics were often a barrier to programs with lower perceived telehealth quality. Clinicians were less likely to see telehealth as a priority or as an essential alternative to in-person care.
Feasibility	All programs perceiving telehealth as similar quality to in-person care. Telehealth aligned with team values and systems; and teams often created synchronous or asynchronous workflows that allowed the multidisciplinary team to participate in visits. While several programs had home monitoring equipment available, they often had limited availability of the multidisciplinary team or limited numbers of computers or monitors to provide telehealth. Clinicians found it difficult to incorporate telehealth into workflows or coordinate and sequence care using telehealth.
Fidelity	Not assessed
Implementation cost	Not assessed
Penetration	Not assessed
Sustainability	External policies and incentives (e.g., temporary rules for providing telehealth) as facilitators for providing telehealth.
Reider-Demer 2022:102	
Acceptability	92% of providers either agreed or strongly agreed that they were satisfied with the quality of care they provided via telehealth. 96% of providers stated that they agreed or strongly agreed that they would incorporate telemedicine visits for follow-up visits.
Adoption	Not assessed
Appropriateness	 58% of providers said they would use telemedicine for new clinic consultations. 77% of respondents reported that they agreed or strongly agreed that they could provide an adequate clinical evaluation with the information obtained in a telemedicine visit. 48% of providers agreed or strongly agreed that the inability to obtain a full physical examination affected their clinical evaluation.
Feasibility	Not assessed
Fidelity	Not assessed
Implementation cost	Not assessed
Penetration	Not assessed
Sustainability	Not assessed

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Author, Year	Implementation Outcomes
Acceptability	Patients' acclimation to telehealth technologies for rehabilitation visits was supported by the adoption of telehealth by medical primary care providers. Societal shift to extensive use of remote technologies brought about by the pandemic was perceived as a helpful primer for Veterans' acceptanc of telerehabilitation.
Adoption	Not assessed
Appropriateness	Not assessed
Feasibility	Health care providers from outside of rehabilitation also leveraged their experience and shared knowledge gained during their own telehealth sessions with other VHA providers, including those in rehabilitation. The telehealth sessions were supported by existing infrastructure and expertise. This infrastructure included a three-year-old team of program managers and rehabilitation clinicians with experience delivering telerehabilitation assessments and interventions to rural Veterans.
Fidelity	Not assessed
Implementation cost	Not assessed
Penetration	Not assessed
Sustainability	Administrative support from facility leadership and rehabilitation management included the availing of extra rooms and quiet spaces, as well as the computers and accessories needed to ensure patients' privacy during telerehabilitation visits.
Weiskittle 2022: 474	
Acceptability	Clinicians generally indicated that Veterans enjoyed the groups and desired to participate again in the future.
Adoption	Not assessed
Appropriateness	 Clinicians felt that telehealth sessions addressed COVID-related worry (M = 3.56, SD = 0.86) and social isolation in Veterans who participated (M = 3.61 SD = 2.04), with 55.6% of respondents describing the group as very or extremely effective in addressing social isolation, and 55.6% describing the group as very or extremely effective in addressing COVID-related worry. 66.7% reported they would definitely run this group again, 22.2% reported they would likely run the group again, and 11.1% stated they might or might not run the group again. 100% of respondents reported that they would be interested in a modified version of the manual for telehealth services post-COVID. Respondents noted the group was helpful for skill-building, led to social connections between Veterans, and demonstrated feasibility for use in geriatric mental health care.
Feasibility	Clinicians indicated the manual was a valuable guide for conducting group teletherapy with the complex older Veterans served in these settings.
Fidelity	Not assessed
Implementation cost	Not assessed
Penetration	Not assessed
Sustainability	Not assessed
Albert 2021: 438	
Acceptability	Clinicians noted that telehealth visits reduced barriers to care involving transportation, travel time, work conflicts, and childcare, which resulted ir much lower no-show rates for virtual appointments relative to in-person appointments.

much lower no-show rates for virtual appointments relative to in-person appointments. Interviewees felt that patients appreciated the ease of access characteristic of telehealth visits and cited this as a main motivation to maintain availability of telehealth visits post-COVID-19, pending reimbursement for such services.

Author, Year	Implementation Outcomes
Adoption	Practices were able to continue to care for their patients during the height of the COVID19 pandemic through a combination of telehealth and limited in-person visits. Certain groups of patients were more difficult to reach during this time.
	Persons with less access to the Internet, technology, or knowledge of how to navigate technology were among those that were most challenging
	to engage in telehealth. Older adult population was identified by several clinicians as a difficult to reach population; while they were fearful of in-person visits, they often had less access to, and experience with, technology.
	Respondents reported that patients' family members, caregivers, and in some cases practice staff helped bridge the digital divide. In addition to seniors, those with fewer resources, who are already among the most vulnerable, tended to have less access to the Internet and technology.
	One clinician noted that it was challenging to reach their refugee and immigrant populations and, even when reached, a lack of language concordance between the practice providers and staff and patients was a contributor to gaps in care, along with less acumen in navigating the health care system.
Appropriateness	A small number of providers cited benefits for elderly patients acknowledging that, while technology can be challenging for this subpopulation to set up initially, telehealth is the ideal visit format for this population even in the absence of a public health crisis as it reduces their exposure to common cold and seasonal flu, among other threats to their health that accompany in-person visits to the clinic.
	One respondent credited telehealth for bringing people back into care who had not been seen by the practice for quite some time. Home-based monitoring, when available, enhanced chronic disease management and was said by some to be a helpful, almost the same way of managing patients relative to in-person visits
Feasibility	The primary disadvantage noted by respondents was that not all patients have access to these monitoring devices, though one practice was able to overcome this obstacle by mailing patients blood pressure cuffs and glucometers, and another practice contracted with a company to have home International Normalized Ratio (INR) machines delivered to their patients. On the downside, practices were less able, or not able at all, to have labs taken and were not able to make necessary referrals (e.g., eye exams
	for diabetics).
Fidelity	Not assessed
Implementation cost	Not assessed
Penetration	Not assessed
Sustainability	Not assessed
El Zammar 2022: 446	
Acceptability	80% of clinicians were either satisfied or very satisfied with their overall experience and found value in providing virtual follow-up care.
Adoption	Not assessed
Appropriateness	One case was identified by the provider as a potential safety concern. In some cases, it may have even been more appropriate for patients to be near their families when the cancer results were delivered instead of alone in the exam room due to visitation restrictions during the COVID19 pandemic.
Feasibility	Challenges physicians encountered are inability to reach patients (55%), too few patients per clinic (20%), inability to arrange appropriate follow- up (20%) and too many patients per clinic (5%).
Fidelity	Not assessed
Implementation cost	Not assessed

Author, Year	Implementation Outcomes
Penetration	Not assessed
Sustainability	In terms of future direction, 80% of physicians would like to continue providing the virtual care follow-up clinic, while 13% were neutral and one physician did not want to be involved.
Keppel 2022: 454	
Acceptability	Two-thirds (62.5%) of clinics reported patient willingness to use telemedicine as a moderately or highly significant barrier. Only 12.5% of clinics reported that staff or clinician willingness to use telemedicine was a moderately or highly significant barrier.
Adoption	The majority of clinics (81.3%) cited patient access to needed technology as a moderately or highly significant barrier to the use of telemedicine. About half (56.3%) of clinics identified billing or reimbursement for telemedicine as a moderately or highly significant barrier to telemedicine use.
Appropriateness	The vast majority (81.3%) of clinics diverted patients with respiratory symptoms to a telemedicine evaluation, rather than seeing them in clinic. Over two-thirds (68.8%) of clinics diverted patients with respiratory symptoms to be seen in-person at another location off-site, such as a tent, emergency department, or drive-in visit.
Feasibility	The most common change to in-person care was to redesign workspace and implement procedures to allow for social distancing (62.5%). Less than half of clinics segregated off sections of the clinic (31.3%), dedicated rooms for in-person care (37.5%), or assigned dedicated providers to provide in-person care (18.3%). Two-thirds (62.5%) of clinics implemented at least three strategies to provide routine patient care.
Fidelity	Not assessed
Implementation cost	Not assessed
Penetration	Not assessed
Sustainability	Not assessed
Payan 2022: 464	
Acceptability	Not assessed
Adoption	Personnel with limited telemedicine knowledge and prior experience struggled, saying a lack of knowledge and uncertainty about appropriate use was challenging in the face of rapid implementation and workflow changes.
Appropriateness	Not assessed
Feasibility	Personnel committed to providing patient-centered care and serving marginalized patients also facilitated their rapid transition to remote care. Personnel identified as central to facilitating implementation and use, included: (1) champions at various levels to provide leadership, motivation, and expertise; (2) clinic staff responsible for preparing patients and intake processes prior to each visit; (3) IT personnel to issue equipment and provide technical support; and (4) bilingual personnel who provided high quality language concordant care.
Fidelity	Not assessed
Implementation cost	Reimbursement policy confusion was particularly difficult to navigate.
Penetration	Not assessed
Sustainability	Not assessed
Thomas 2022: 469	
Acceptability	General preference was expressed to meet a new consumer in-person, build rapport, and complete an initial assessment and then determine an appropriate modality of care. Clinicians felt more comfortable conducting reviews by telehealth as opposed to initial assessments.

Author, Year	Implementation Outcomes
Adoption	Services with prior telehealth experience and those providing tertiary (state-wide) care were better equipped to transition to telehealth modalities. Lack of telehealth policies and protocols and the technological infrastructure to deliver telehealth seamlessly. The rapid transition to telehealth came with considerable technology issues including low availability of peripheral devices (e.g. webcams), low data network capacity and the use of multiple video conferencing platforms which caused confusion. Clinicians perceive limited consumer demand for telehealth; greater consumer-end support required.
Appropriateness	Certain activities (e.g. when the clinician is required to touch the consumer or perform a procedure) are best conducted in-person and most clinicians wanted some in-person interaction. Consumer safety was also a reported concern, with the perception there is an additional risk if consumers perform activities without a clinician physically present.
Feasibility	Telehealth (particularly telephone calls) was reported to result in lower consumer engagement. Interestingly, some clinicians also appeared less engaged, reporting a lower sense of job satisfaction when providing care purely via telephone and increased fatigue when providing care via video conferencing. Limited clinician benefits were reported with a perception that telehealth increased their workload and reduced efficiencies. Many clinicians felt telehealth models were less efficient due to technical issues and could not achieve the same outcomes as in-person care. Lack of adequate space to conduct telehealth consultations was also a common issue across all sites, identifying a need for more dedicated spaces.
Fidelity	Not assessed
Implementation cost	Not assessed
Penetration	Not assessed
Sustainability	Not assessed
Der Martirosian 2021:	
Acceptability	Not assessed
Adoption	Volume of all outpatient visits after the onset of COVID19 decreased for all 3 clinics. In terms of unique patients, the number of patients who accessed outpatient services at all 3 clinics 12 months before compared to 12 months after the onset of COVID19 also decreased. At the onset of COVID (during March 2020), telehealth use increased substantially after the onset of COVID-19 and reached its peak at 15,480 for one of the clinics in May 2020. Starting in August 2020, the use of telehealth services for all 3 clinics started to decline slightly, but never reached pre-COVID19 levels during the 12 months after the onset of COVID19.
Appropriateness	Not assessed

Author, Year	Implementation Outcomes
Feasibility	Most providers had experience providing care over the phone for follow-ups and medication management prior to COVID19. All providers were required to take virtual care training courses prior to the pandemic, and although some reported taking the course again at the onset of the pandemic, most were at least cursorily familiar with the technology. Although most clinics did not have the support or equipment necessary to widely use of virtual care, some respondents did report using telehealth for warm handoffs, whereby a physician would conduct a face-to-face visit with a patient and then connect with another subspecialty physician for consult. The telehealth platform was described as confusing for both patients and providers. Each clinic had its own scheduling infrastructure, which in turn significantly impacted the way the clinic's providers perceived the transition to telehealth.
Fidelity	Not assessed
Implementation cost	Not assessed
Penetration	Not assessed
Sustainability	Not assessed
Story 2021: 468	
Acceptability	Respondents reported staff comfort level with telehealth on the higher end of the scale (median = 7), with 14% reporting 10 for comfort (scale 1– 10, with 10 indicating the most comfortable).
Adoption	Not assessed
Appropriateness	Not assessed
Feasibility	 Approximately 67% reported more than half of their full-time employees (FTEs) were telehealth capable; however, 19% of facilities reported 0% of their FTEs were telehealth capable. The majority of facilities (61%) reported having the clinical grid installed to capture proper clinic workload; the remaining facilities either did not (22%) or were unsure (17%). Lack of administration support (4%) and setting or environmental restrictions (10%), such as inpatient services only or lack of private office space to facilitate. Clinicians had difficulty with medical record documentation and a stop code for administrative purposes. The most consistently reported barrier to telehealth utilization was Veteran's lack of understanding (33%).
Fidelity	Not assessed
Implementation cost	Not assessed
Penetration	Not assessed
Sustainability	Not assessed
Budhwani 2021: 440	
Acceptability	Provider survey respondents indicated that, on a scale of 1 to 10 (with 1 being not at all likely and 10 being extremely likely), they would recommend use of video visits to other providers at an average rating of 7.9
Adoption	77% of provider survey respondents strongly agreed or agreed that they had adequate training and resources to learn how to use video visits, and 73% strongly agreed or agreed that they would have appropriate support if an issue were to arise with a video visit.

Author, Year	Implementation Outcomes
Appropriateness	In most cases, providers felt that quality of care during phone and video visits was inferior to that of in-person care. Virtual care was considered to be sufficient, but not excellent, quality of care in comparison to in-person care both during the pilot and during the pandemic Only 27% of mental health provider survey respondents strongly agreed or agreed that the quality virtually was similar to an in-person exam, while 80% strongly agreed or agreed that their last video visit enabled them to sufficiently address the patient's clinical need.
Feasibility	 Factors affecting feasibility included: scheduling virtual appointments; workflow modifications; patients required education and support to set up virtual patient portal, which required staff time; technological issues (e.g., connectivity & bandwidth); increased administrative tasks for providers; and more burnout from virtual care; Pre-existing pilot that was implemented 3 months prior to the pandemic was perceived to contribute to the rapid uptake of video visits in mental health. Physician providers expressed the value-add of having billing codes and available financial compensation for the delivery of video and phone visits, as phone visit billing codes were unavailable to providers prior to the COVID19 pandemic.
Fidelity	Not assessed
Implementation cost	Not assessed
Penetration	Not assessed
Sustainability	Not assessed
Reid 2022: 465	
Acceptability	Providers were receptive to the implementation of telemedicine visits.
Adoption	Providers reported generally gaining knowledge and access to information about telemedicine visits through in-person and online trainings. In particular, providers with fewer years in practice revealed that the process of familiarizing oneself with telemedicine was easier for younger or more tech savvy colleagues.
Appropriateness	Providers mostly considered telemedicine a usefulness alternative to deliver obstetric care especially for low-risk obstetric patients.
Feasibility	Technology access and support, staff support, time availability, and access to at-home monitoring devices (e.g., blood pressure machine). For some providers, resources for telemedicine implementation were considered adequate, while for others the opposite held true. Provision of time allotted for telemedicine visits was sufficient and appropriate for some, but not all providers.
Fidelity	Not assessed
Implementation cost	Not assessed
Penetration	Not assessed
Sustainability	Despite few providers believing that its implementation was rushed, some providers expressed the desire for telemedicine to continue beyond the pandemic.
Fogarty 2021: 447	
Acceptability	Clinicians noted benefits of the transition to telehealth for the families with whom they were working with.
Adoption	Potential for telehealth to be integrated as a key component of the offered service post-COVID19 to increase accessibility of their service for families, including those from regional, rural and remote areas.

Author, Year	Implementation Outcomes
Appropriateness	Clinicians noted several strengths in the transition to telehealth and consequential changes in the therapeutic process. Clinicians stressed the importance of adjusting therapeutic style to engage with clients online, describing key changes in how they built rapport and creative ways of bringing play-based therapy into the telehealth space. Clinicians shared that telehealth required parents to be more actively involved in the preparation and/or delivery of sessions. Telehealth also enabled greater insight into the family home environment. certain aspects of telehealth required them to adjust their therapeuti style.
Feasibility	Needed to implement additional processes to ensure safety and confidentiality within telehealth sessions. Telehealth was more tiring than face-to-face therapy, describing increased fatigue. Increase in preparation and paperwork prior to sessions compared to face-to-face sessions. Technological difficulties including losing internet connection momentarily, or the family's lack of access to stable internet connection.
Fidelity	Not assessed
Implementation cost	Not assessed
Penetration	Not assessed
Sustainability	Not assessed
Ward 2021: 471	
Acceptability	98% of providers agreed that telemental health improved access to mental health care Using telemental health allowed some mental health providers with clinical comorbidities to reduce their exposure risk through remote work. Mental health providers commented on how telemental health improved their efficiency and benefited patients by facilitating multitasking, improving response time to initiate consultations, and through a reduction in interruptions.
Adoption	Out of 24 physicians, 5 advanced practice providers, and 15 resident physicians (n = 44) scheduled to work during these periods, 100% participated in telemental health consultations. Clinicians identified the ongoing COVID19 pandemic as an important facilitator of adoption, but would have otherwise occurred eventually.
Appropriateness	Some nurses reported that the switch to virtual care impeded their awareness of disposition planning for the patient, while others said it improv communication with consultants. Several staff said that they felt that a mental health provider should be available in-person, if needed.
Feasibility	Better integration of the telemental health units with other VHA software applications was identified as an area for improvement. Mental health providers identified work-arounds to handle physical paperwork, particularly for involuntary psychiatric holds. Mental health providers found cognitive assessments more challenging, but addressable with minor modifications. Clinicians identified that the timeliness benefit from telemental health could be compromised when multiple patients were waiting.
Fidelity	Not assessed
Implementation cost	Not assessed
Penetration	Not assessed
Sustainability	Mental health providers reported a desire to continue with telehealth after the pandemic due to enhanced job satisfaction.
Dennett 2021: 445	
Acceptability	The telehealth program was acceptable to clinicians. Staff described implementation of the program as a rollercoaster. The program was largely viewed by staff as a positive and acceptable form of delivering care.

Author, Year	Implementation Outcomes
Adoption	Program staff described being impressed with the rapid transition to telehealth. Clinical and administrative staff attributed the success of the implementation to the combined efforts of the team, including their organizational, technical skills, and can-do attitude
Appropriateness	Overall, telerehabilitation was perceived as safe but staff acknowledged difficulty balancing safety needs with providing an adequate exercise prescription. Perception of safety was increased when patients used video. Staff also expressed reservations related to their competency to provide telehealth safely due to the rapid transition.
Feasibility	Clinicians at times felt underprepared to deliver telerehabilitation and wanted more guidance. Staff had difficulty accessing rooms for teleconferencing as they were shared with other programs within the hospital. There was also poor Wi-Fi coverage within certain hospital areas. Staff described the benefits of having hardware but that it was not helpful when the internet did not work.
Fidelity	Not assessed
Implementation cost	Primary resource cost was funding of staff. Clinicians described telerehabilitation as resource intensive compared to the previous group progran due to perceived higher human resource costs from additional administrative burden of program setup and delivery, and the one-to-one nature o consults.
Penetration	Not assessed
Sustainability	There was desire from staff to continue with telerehabilitation into the future.
Stewart 2022: 467	
Acceptability	Not assessed
Adoption	Staff identified the importance of having someone take a lead role on implementation and engaging others in the practice. Need to engage the wider practice and primary care team, including encouraging the late adopters in the practice
Appropriateness	 Physical examination presented a challenge for implementation. Some staff felt the need for examination could be identified during initial remote consulting, while others felt the inability to perform physical examination remotely limited the usefulness of telehealth for acute asthma care. Some clinicians were amendable to remote consulting, others questioned the accuracy of some of the required assessments, including inhaler technique. There were concerns about the impact of remote consultation on access to spirometry, the current gold standard for new asthma diagnoses. Some staff felt the COVID19 pandemic presented an opportunity to better integrate delivery of acute and chronic care by rethinking staff roles within the practice.
Feasibility	Preparation with patients before remote consulting was felt to enhance efficiency, and enable the approach to be personalized to patient needs. Staff employed a variety of strategies to adapt the required assessments of acute and chronic asthma reviews for remote consulting. Staff also highlighted the benefits of training.
Fidelity	Not assessed
Implementation cost	Not assessed
Penetration	Not assessed
Sustainability	Staff reported greater fatigue when consulting remotely. Concerns were raised about the impact of telehealth on communication with patients, including the ability to establish rapport in future.

Thomas 2022: 470

Author, Year	Implementation Outcomes
Acceptability	Professionals' acceptability of video consults was attributed to the increased familiarity with video consults, resulting from the COVID19 social distancing requirements. Some clinicians stated that their patients had tried to use video consults and struggled, so they prefer to talk over the phone.
Adoption	Despite the limitations of phone consults, these consults continued to be used at a much higher rate than video consults. The reason for this appeared to be largely due to the issues with implementation and ease of use.
Appropriateness	Not assessed
Feasibility	Interviewees asserted that some patients do not have their own digital devices, enough data available and/or good connectivity to connect via video, and therefore they would still need to travel to use equipped facilities able to perform video consults, such as their local hospital or general practitioner.
Fidelity	Not assessed
Implementation cost	Not assessed
Penetration	Not assessed
Sustainability	Not assessed
Oelmeier 2021: 462	
Acceptability	Health care professionals' satisfaction with remote appointments was equally high. In 88% of cases, they found that video consultation avoided an in-house visit.
Adoption	Not assessed
Appropriateness	In 93% of cases, all necessary aspects for clinical decision-making could be addressed through video consultation.
Feasibility	More than one-third (37%) of the video consultations encountered technical problems of some kind.
Fidelity	Not assessed
Implementation cost	Not assessed
Penetration	Not assessed
Sustainability	Not assessed
Nguyen 2021: 460	
Acceptability	Several doulas noted that trust could be more difficult to establish virtually because they could not pick up on clients' bodily or environmental cues.
Adoption	Not assessed
Appropriateness	Technological limitations could make it seem like a doula is not even present. Providers who were more receptive to doula care and made an effort to interact with doulas virtually enhanced the overall birth experience for the client; however, when a doula is restricted from entering hospitals, it is more difficult to connect with medical providers in this way. Most doulas agreed that virtual support was inferior to in-person support quality-wise. They also noted that the accessibility of virtual support and improved work-life balance for doulas makes it a worthwhile tool to integrate into their practice.
Feasibility	Advocating for birthing people of color was more difficult to do when they could not physically be in the birthing room. Many hospital policies regarding doula support were miscommunicated during the pandemic. Providers may not be up to date on rapidly changing hospital policies and may provide inaccurate information regarding doulas to their patients.
Fidelity	Not assessed

Author, Year	Implementation Outcomes
Implementation cost	Not assessed
Penetration	Not assessed
Sustainability	Not assessed
Loftus 2022: 78	
Acceptability	Gastroenterology specialists indicated high value in the virtual previsit consultation with an average rank of 9 on a 10-point scale for perceived value. General internal medicine physicians ranked the value of these virtual previsit consultations at 6 on a 10-point scale across all patients.
Adoption	Not assessed
Appropriateness	General internal medicine physicians and gastroenterology specialists indicated a high degree of agreement in evaluating the appropriateness o each telehealth clinic pilot patient between patient need and fit for the telehealth clinic intent.
Feasibility	Not assessed
Fidelity	Physicians indicated that they made changes to patient planned visits. Physicians noted the ability to shift a patient from a planned visit to the telehealth clinic to another care area when they discovered additional information when speaking with the patient.
Implementation cost	Not assessed
Penetration	Not assessed
Sustainability	Not assessed
Smith-MacDonald 2021: ³⁸⁰	
Acceptability	Personal experience, skill level, and readiness to adopt technology were reasons for both mental health service provider excitement around and reluctance to accept the use of digital health to deliver trauma therapy. Digital health service delivery saved time because of a lack of commuting and fewer workday interruptions, which enabled them to respond to more clients.
Adoption	The strength of the therapeutic relationship impacted the ease with which service providers were able to transition from in-person to digital health delivery, with transitions being easier when a therapeutic relationship had been established through in-person sessions.
Appropriateness	 Most respondents perceived that mental health services delivered remotely were effective. sense of engagement and energy were notably different between in-person and digital health sessions. Respondents also noted that assessing and monitoring nonverbal cues in a virtual setting is challenging. Participants also felt that digital health negatively impacted the therapeutic alliance and, at times, resulted in the clinician feeling distant or cut off from their client. Assessing risk over digital health was also consistently identified as a topic requiring consideration. Participants questioned how to best manage client disclosures of suicidal ideation, intent of harm to self or others, or domestic violence. Participants expressed that clients with cognitive dysfunction, who have experienced a brain injury, and who are highly emotionally dysregulated and in frequent need of active coregulation may not be suitable for digital health delivery of trauma therapy. For clients for whom technology is a trigger (e.g., police officers who may be required to watch graphic web-based content) may also not benefit from digital health-delivered trauma therapies.

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Feasibility	Over half of the respondents expressed at least some concern regarding the maintenance of security and privacy when delivering mental health services through digital health means.
	Common barriers included lack of stable, interruption-free internet access, lack of personal presence, and challenges in developing a therapeutic
	relationship. Identified facilitators included decreased perception of stigma as well as greater convenience and access to mental health services.
	The proficient use of technologies was challenging for some and resulted in increased work time and administrative duties.
	Providing clients with therapy resources or exchanging confidential materials required creative problem-solving. Client information was not as readily accessible, thereby making assessments and case histories more difficult to complete.
	Securely and remotely accessing and transferring client files required additional consideration.
	Organizations and regulatory bodies for regulated health professionals were unprepared for a sudden shift to digital health service delivery. Security and privacy concerns were strongly highlighted.
	Managing screen fatigue (i.e., the sense of fatigue caused by staring at a computer screen) was also considered critical to the ongoing delivery of mental health services using digital health.
Fidelity	Not assessed
Implementation cost	Not assessed
Penetration	Not assessed
Sustainability	Not assessed
Gilbert 2022: 448	
Acceptability	Clinicians were able to determine the success of the consultation in relation to it meeting patient needs.
Adoption	Not assessed
Appropriateness	Not assessed
Feasibility	Some clinicians did not have the technical skills required to be able to use virtual consultation.
	Several clinicians encountered technical challenges that interfered with the delivery of a virtual consultation visit thus the virtual slots were increased from 30 min to one hour.
	Clinicians within this study were required to implement virtual consultation at a pace that required restructuring of policies and procedures.
Fidelity	The organization invested heavily in resources for clinical staff to be able to undertake virtual consultation with patients. These additional resources shifted the context for clinicians in favour of undertaking virtual consultation visits.
Implementation cost	Not assessed
Penetration	Not assessed
Sustainability	Not assessed
Watson2021: 472	
Acceptability	Less than one third of staff (31.5%) felt confident meeting patients' emotional needs virtually.
Adoption	Not assessed
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Author, Year	Implementation Outcomes
Appropriateness	Staff expressed concerns about triaging patients appropriately for virtual care, with no clear guidelines as to which patients are appropriate for virtual assessment and which are not. Really difficult to comfort someone virtually and some shared they felt less confident addressing topics of death and end-of-life in this setting. There were also concerns regarding impaired nonverbal communication inherent in conducting assessments over the phone. Staff expressed they were unable to pick up on nuanced or nonverbal communication and could not read body language. Staff believed virtual visits worked well for patients who are stable, not on active treatment, on follow-up, or have little or no complications. Staff who completed the survey believed virtual care increased patients' access to care, especially for those living in rural and remote communities, and was convenient for patients by saving time and money on traveling, parking, and waiting. Staff identified areas where virtual care facilitated their ability to deliver cancer care, using terms like efficiency, flexibility, interdisciplinary coordination, and ability to see many patients.
Feasibility	Not assessed
Fidelity	Not assessed
Implementation cost	Not assessed
Penetration	Not assessed
Sustainability	Not assessed

IBD=irritable bowel disease; n=samplesize; SD=standard deviation

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