TELEHEALTH 101: What is Telehealth: Terms & Modalities

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A doctor's diagnosis "by radio" on the cover of the February, 1925 issue of Science and Invention magazine
Different Definitions for Telehealth
- Federal
- State
- Institutions

The use of technology to provide health care services when the two parties are not in the same location.
DIFFERENT TERMS

- **TELEHEALTH V. TELEMEDICINE**
  - Telehealth the broader term, include care coordination, education
  - Telemedicine usually used in provision of medical health services

- **eHealth; Virtual Care**
  - Various other terms usually applied
HOW IS TELEHEALTH USED?

- Health Care Services
- Training & Education
- Public Health Information
- Electronic Health Information
- Information Sharing
- Data Collection
- Care Coordination
MODALITIES OF TELEHEALTH

- **Live Video**
  - Real-time
  - Video system

- **Store & Forward**
  - Capture, store & transmit information
  - Not in real-time also called “asynchronous”

- **Remote Patient Monitoring (RPM)**
  - Continuous monitoring of condition
  - Can be in Real-time or asynchronous

- **mHealth**
  - Use of mobile technology to provide service
  - Usually done through apps
OTHER TERMS

- **Originating Site**
  - Where the patient is during the time of the telehealth interaction

- **Distant Site**
  - Where the telehealth provider is when the telehealth interaction takes place

- **Distant Provider**
  - Telehealth provider
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