



# Tele-ID

## A Critical Part of Healthcare

The current pandemic highlights another challenge for rural hospitals — lack of access to Infectious Disease (ID) specialists.

Like so many other medical specialties, recruiting and retaining ID physicians is difficult for hospitals in small cities and rural communities due to fluctuating demand for care, and limited resources to support full-time professionals. The average salary in this field is over \$250,000. Suburban and rural hospitals often pay a premium to attract these valuable specialists.

Long hours and on-call work increase the risk of turnover for ID physicians that accept roles outside of major metropolitan areas.

*Eagle Telemedicine is the solution.*



## What do our Tele-ID Providers Say?

- Tele-ID improves specificity of diagnosis, which leads to faster therapeutic and antibiotic interventions, shorter length of stay and lower patient transfers and readmissions.
- Access to a specialist assists in medication management protocols and treatment plans that improve patient care and hospital metrics.
- Providing care close to home increases patient satisfaction by allowing the patient to receive support from family and follow-up from local physicians.

Whether your facility decides to use telemedicine exclusively or a combination of onsite and remote care, access to a remote ID specialist allows your hospitals to adapt to demand and manage shift coverage. Our ID services help you increase access to care and improve your hospitals ROI.

*Eagle believes that telemedicine is the “great equalizer.”*

### TELE-ID BENEFITS THE PATIENT & HOSPITAL

- ✓ Avoid transfers and treat patients sooner
- ✓ Keep care close to home
- ✓ Increase patient access
- ✓ Improve medication management
- ✓ Minimize readmissions to improve ROI
- ✓ Transition patient to outpatient care quicker

*“One of the hospitals had been transferring 50% of its patients needing ID consultation to distant hospitals out of network. Through the Tele-ID program, it has reduced that number to virtually zero.”*

**- Dr. Mac McCormick**  
President and CEO  
Eagle Telemedicine

