

Why Use Telemedicine for Cardiology Services?

In smaller hospitals, cardiac issues are often the number one reason for transfer. Many of these patients only need a consultation to determine whether they can be retained and treated close to home, and avoid the disruption of transfer to a tertiary hospital.

The Challenge

Hospitals must be equipped to diagnose and treat a range of heart conditions that present day and night. In a rural community, the prospect of hiring a full-time cardiologist for around the clock coverage is costly and difficult.

Even if the local hospital is able to have a cardiologist on staff, the facility is likely to pay more to recruit and retain the physician. In addition, the risk of burnout for specialists is high if there isn't backup for nights, weekends, holidays and vacations.

An Emergency Department physician or hospitalist can order an electrocardiogram (ECG) and other diagnostic studies, like cardiac CT scans and cardiac MRI scans, but without an experienced cardiologist available to review the data and provide guidance, the patient is often transferred to a tertiary hospital many miles away.

The Solution

Eagle Telemedicine helps patients and physicians by connecting them with experienced TeleCardiologists 24/7/365. Whenever a patient needs immediate attention a cardiologist is available within minutes. Telemedicine allows many patients to receive treatment otherwise unavailable in their hometown — eliminating medical transfer costs and travel stress.

With today's technology, Eagle TeleCardiologists are able to provide patients with thorough diagnosis and care via virtual exams, diagnostics and provider-to-provider consultations.

Research shows that the majority of cardiac concerns can be resolved without an on-site cardiologist — reducing cardiac-related emergency visits. The remote provider can view the patient's health information in real-time, including access to cardiac monitoring.

TeleCardiology Benefits

- ✓ 24/7 Access to Cardiologists
- ✓ Fast Response Time
- ✓ Reduce Transfers
- ✓ Increase Patient Access and Satisfaction
- ✓ Eliminate Physician Recruiting Costs
- ✓ Minimize Readmissions
- ✓ Maximize ROI with incremental DRG reimbursement

With cardiovascular disease striking nearly half of Americans, Eagle offers a solution to provide access to expert cardiology care when and where it's needed.



To Learn More About Implementing TeleCardiology at Your Hospital, Contact Eagle Today

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