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Conditions that Highlight the Long-Term Advantages of Access to a Tele-ID Specialist

COVID-19 put the spotlight on accessing infectious disease specialists using telemedicine to address an emergency need for patient care. However, hospitals across the country have also been using Tele-ID physicians to: reduce patient transfers; provide relief for onsite ID specialists at night, on weekends and during holidays; and improve access to expert care for patients in communities without an ID provider.

These hospitals were ready for COVID-19 but the patients they serve benefit from unique expertise that only a board certified ID provider can offer for a variety of conditions.



Pneumonia can spread from the lungs into the bloodstream. With a mortality rate between 15-20% and resistance to many antibiotics, a Tele-ID consult can improve patient diagnosis and treatment for this deadly disease.



Skin & Soft Tissue Infections require immediate attention and intervention to prevent the spread of infection to the bloodstream. Access to specialized care improves the likelihood of an accurate diagnosis and appropriate treatment.



Hepatitis C often progresses with no symptoms. Hospitalized patients with symptoms, like abdominal swelling, jaundice and bruising, often receive a diagnosis from a Tele-ID specialist.



Food-borne Illness treatment requires accurate and efficient diagnosis to identify the source and minimize the spread. Tele-ID providers can rapidly identify the cause and help control an outbreak.



Urinary Tract Infections are treated using antibiotics, but selection of the antibiotic is very important since many of these infections are antibiotic resistant. Tele-ID specialists focus on controlling antibiotic use while eliminating the infection.



To handle these complex conditions, Eagle's Tele-ID providers can become an integral part of a hospital's care team. They work with on-site nurses, who help with patient exams. For more information visit: www.eagletelemedicine.com • 800-369-4603 • info@eagletelemed.com