

# Why Use Telemedicine for Psychiatry Services?

Mental illness affects millions of people in the U.S. every year, including one in five adults. As many as one in 20 adults experience serious mental health conditions and the prevalence in rural America is even greater. Exacerbating the issue, health systems both large and small are faced with a physician shortage that limits their ability to recruit on-staff psychiatrists.

## The Challenge

Research estimates that more than 60 million individuals with mental health conditions go untreated. This is largely due to limited care access. In fact, more than 60% of all counties in the U.S. do not have any psychiatrists at all.

Recruiting and retention costs for psychiatrist limit many hospitals from offering psychiatry specialties. This can have a negative impact, not only on community welfare but on the hospital's bottom line as well. Not offering this critical specialty service limits hospital revenue growth opportunities, increases patient transfers and can add to lowering hospital resilience.

## The Solution

With Eagle TelePsychiatry services, hospitals are able to provide 24/7 access to psychiatrists for consultations, admissions, diagnosis and more. This allows many patients to receive treatment otherwise unavailable in their hometown – eliminating medical transfer costs and travel stress.

Eagle TelePsychiatrists are able to provide patients with thorough diagnostics and care via virtual exams and provider-to-provider consultations. This critical access to care can not only improve patient outcomes but increase a hospital's local standing in the communities it serves.

## TelePsychiatry Benefits

- ✓ 24/7 Access to Psychiatrists
- ✓ Increase Specialist Revenue
- ✓ Fast Response Time
- ✓ Reduce Physician Recruiting Costs
- ✓ Limit Patient Transfers
- ✓ Improve Community Wellness
- ✓ Enhance Hospital ROI

*With 60 million individuals with mental health conditions going untreated, Eagle delivers critical access to psychiatric care for patients in need.*



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

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