Statewide Telehealth Network: Alabama Department of Public Health County Health Departments

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ADPH Telehealth Program

- Establish telehealth clinics at each county health department
- Collaborate with healthcare providers
- Facilitate all telehealth services

Telehealth Technology for ADPH

- New Distance Learning Infrastructure
- Connecting Central Office, Areas, and County Facilities:
  - Video Conferencing
  - Telehealth
  - Telemedicine

Approx. $10,000

Video Conferencing

- Use of Telehealth cart to connect one or more locations to provide:
  - Continuing Education Training
  - In-service Training
  - Staff Meetings

Telehealth technology is a delivery system
Not a medical specialty

- Real time 2-way video and audio
- Store and forward
- Encrypted and HIPAA compliant
**Telehealth Clinic**

- Use of Telehealth cart to connect one or more locations to provide non-clinical services health care to clients:
  - Education
  - Counseling
  - Social Worker with patient

**Telemedicine Clinic**

- Use of Telehealth cart to connect one or more locations to exchange client medical information
- Nurse with patient

**Individual Telehealth Networks**

Provide Single Health Care Service

**County Health Departments:**
Telehealth Clinics For All Health Care Services
Connecting: Clients with Providers Providers with Clients

**Partnerships and Collaboration**

60 of 66 ADPH County Health Departments Have Adequate Bandwidth to Support Telehealth Clinics

Telehealth Clinics at ADPH County Health Departments:
- Medical AIDS Outreach
- UAB School of Medicine
- AIDS Alabama
- ADPH STD Program
- University of South Alabama
- Veterans Affairs

21 CHD Telehealth Sites As of September 2017
Alabama Public Health Telehealth Clinics

- 21 Active Telehealth Sites
- 38 New Telehealth Sites
  - ARC Grant = 19
  - AU Grant = 2
  - USDA Grant = 10
  - PHHS Grant = 7

50 State Medicaid Telehealth Models

- All states cover imaging
- 49 states cover something:
  - 49 mental telehealth
  - 36 home telehealth
  - 12 store and forward
  - 17 remote patient monitoring

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Our lives improve not at the moment of invention, but when we accept it as essential.

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- States with Parity Laws
- Partial Parity Law
- Proposed Parity Bill
- No Parity Legislative Activity

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- Medicaid Telehealth Coverage
- No Medicaid Coverage

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- Coverage for Telehealth Services in Alabama
- 50 Sites with Parity Laws
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