

Opportunities and challenges in the practice of Tele-Gastroenterology

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Telemedicine allows remote interactions between healthcare providers and patients utilizing technology. With reference to a quote in a 2017 medical article “Two trends in health care delivery that will continue unabated are a) reimbursement pressure and b) increasing demand for our services.”, telemedicine has helped resolve, to some extent, the latter. Regrettably, though telemedicine has been embraced widely by specialties like cardiology, radiology, dermatology, psychiatry and general medicine, to quote a few; Gastroenterology has yet to

take full advantage of this technology. Why is this? Is it because Telemedicine does not suit gastroenterology processes, or it is simply a lack of information? We discuss, in this article, the advantages the opportunities and the challenges in utilization of this technology in the practice of gastroenterology. We also share a few case studies and the process of setting up a simple tele-gastroenterology service.

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