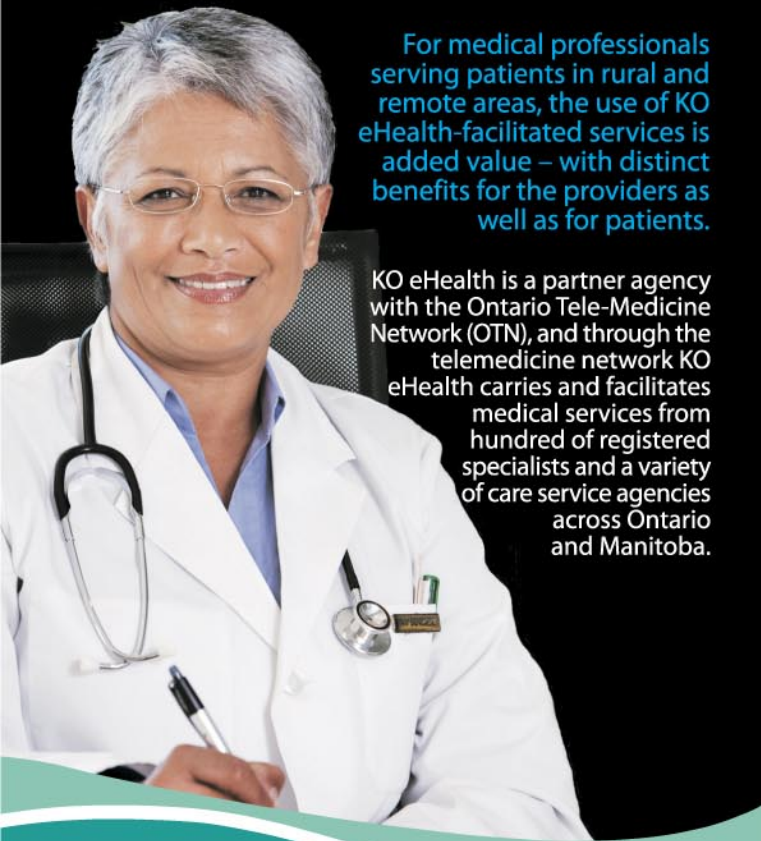


What's in it for me?



For medical professionals serving patients in rural and remote areas, the use of KO eHealth-facilitated services is added value – with distinct benefits for the providers as well as for patients.

KO eHealth is a partner agency with the Ontario Tele-Medicine Network (OTN), and through the telemedicine network KO eHealth carries and facilitates medical services from hundred of registered specialists and a variety of care service agencies across Ontario and Manitoba.

In addition, other non-medical KO eHealth services address patient and community health needs in innovative and culturally appropriate ways, supplementing the contemporary medical system with more holistic services and approaches to community wellness.

KO eHealth referrals for facilitated care and services are now available for the majority of common health conditions, and eHealth referrals are OHIP-billable. When including eHealth in your medical practice, you have a greater positive impact on more people in your everyday work with:

- patient referrals;
- initial and/or follow-up visits;
- case conferencing;
- multi-disciplinary rounds;
- professional networking and inter-professional collaboration; and,
- distance education and administrative meetings.

And, by integrating eHealth-facilitated services as a care choice for your patients, you as the provider are actively supporting your own professional development with recognized and emerging technologies and alternative, collaborative and innovative models for providing enhanced health care and services.

KO Telemedicine transforming the way you receive health care.



How do I begin?

Medical providers seeking a *specialist referral* via eHealth technologies for one of their patients simply need to complete and submit to KO eHealth the KO eHealth Referral Form (please see sample included herein). Referral forms can be obtained from your local nursing station, or online at www.telemedicine.knet.ca. The process is as simple as with any regular referral. If you know of a "Registered Tele-Medicine Physician" with whom you would like the patient to consult, you can request on the form that the patient sees that specialist. If the choice of specialist is not an issue, or if you do not know of any 'registered physicians', then KO eHealth and / or the Ontario Telemedicine Network (OTN) will make the appropriate choice for you and your patient.

The KO eHealth Scheduling Office will handle all other arrangements for tele-medicine consults and ensure that you as the attending physician receive future assessments, treatment reports and other correspondence which results from the original referral.

Physicians who regularly travel to rural and remote areas to work front-line with patients, and who see the benefits of follow-up eHealth consults by themselves with certain patients in the communities, may become a "Registered Tele-Medicine Physician" in order to begin providing patient consults through KO eHealth carrier services.

The KO eHealth Scheduling Office provides a single point of access to facilitate effective patient care through eHealth services – often consisting of videoconferences from room-based systems or from desktop, laptop and/ or mobile devices, using a private and secure Internet connection.

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