

Thank you to the 2022 NRTRC Telehealth Conference Sponsors

Hello Northwest Regional, Northwest Region:



We invite in-person attendees to join the vendor welcome reception at the Marriott Downtown at City Creek Monday September 26, 2022. Learn about the latest in telehealth software and hardware equipment exhibited by our 2022 sponsors and exhibitors.

If you are participating in the conference virtually, please visit the online Sponsor and Exhibitor Center during the conference.

Reminder: There is still time to <u>register</u> to join this event — register virtually or inperson. Conference is in Salt Lake City on September. 26-28, 2022.

Up to 14 CME's available with conference attendance!

HHS Office of Inspector General Releases

New Telehealth Report

The Office of Inspector General (OIG) recently released an investigative <u>report</u> on Medicare telehealth services during the first year of the pandemic.

The findings demonstrate the importance of effective, targeted oversight of telehealth services to ensure that the benefits of telehealth are realized while minimizing risk.



- The report identified 1,714 providers out of about 742,000 whose billing for telehealth services posed a high risk to Medicare.
- Those providers raised red flags on at least one of seven measures that may indicate fraud, waste, or abuse.
- Those bills accounted for services to about half a million patients.



Upcoming Events & Webinars

<u>HRSA Region 10 Health Equity Conference:</u> Celebrate heath equity in Region 10. Sept. 14-16 at the University of Washington, or join virtually.

<u>Telehealth Awareness Week:</u> Join the American Telemedicine Association, Sept. 18-24, for the 2nd annual Telehealth Awareness Week, showcasing the many ways virtual care improves access to quality healthcare services. September 15, noon to 1 p.m., MST.

11th Annual NRTRC Conference, Innovation in Telehealth: The NRTRC 2022 Annual Conference theme is Innovation in Telehealth. The NRTRC is proud to feature presenters on the cutting edge of healthcare. Network with key stakeholders in Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, Utah, Washington and Wyoming. September 26-28

<u>39th Annual Oregon Rural Health Conference:</u> This event is the largest gathering in Oregon dedicated to sharing information and showcasing innovative approaches to health and the delivery of health care in rural Oregon. October 12-14

<u>2022 CHAMPS Annual Primary Care Conference:</u> This multi-day, multi-track conference will offer a variety of keynote plenaries, networking opportunities, educational sessions, exhibits by industry experts, and more designed to meet the needs of Region 18 (Regions

VIII and X) Community Health Center staff. This year's theme, The Power of Together, celebrates the 25th anniversary of the CHAMPS and NWRPCA Fall Conference partnership. October 15-18





For more information, visit TelehealthAwareness.org.



Do you provide health care or services via telehealth?

NRTRC's <u>telehealth services finder</u> is available to help patients and providers find inperson and telehealth care. Please review and or complete the <u>2022 intake form</u> to ensure that information on your practice and your services is up to date. <u>Click here to update the information on your practice.</u>



Northwest Regional State Telehealth Website Links

- Alaska Collaborative for Telehealth and Telemedicine
- Idaho Department of Health and Welfare
- Montana Telehealth Alliance
- Telehealth Alliance of Oregon
- <u>Utah Telehealth Network</u>
- Washington State Telehealth Collaborative
- Washington State Department of Health
- Wyoming Telehealth Network



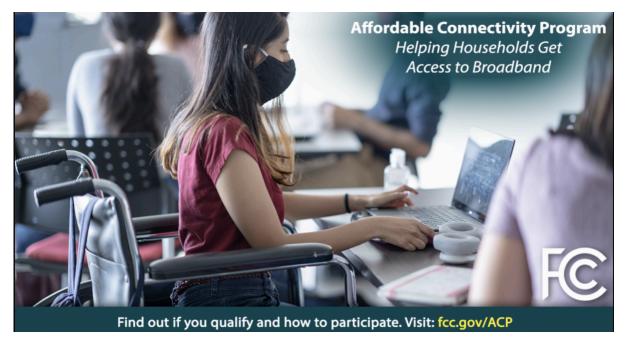
Telehealth Resources

- Telehealth Tools and Resources: Find up-to-date telehealth tools & resources.
- <u>Professional Development</u>: Visit NRTRC's catalog of online telehealth training courses.
- The Telehealth Resource Centers have gathered resources specific to <u>Federally</u> <u>Qualified Health Centers</u>. Examples include a Critical Access Hospital Telehealth Guide and a webinar on Telehealth Essentials for FQHCs.
- <u>Emergency Declarations</u>: Utah and Washington are the only states in the Northwest Region still under emergency declarations because of the COVID pandemic.
- <u>Updated legislation and regulations</u>: Keep up with regulations and proposed legislation for the states of the Northwest Region.
- Research: current research opportunities, research articles and survey results.

Grant Funding Opportunities

 Refer to the <u>funding page</u> on the NRTRC website for updated grant opportunities.





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