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### THE BUSINESS OF PEDIATRICS:

**NETWORKING FOR SUCCESS** 

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#### **CNHN** Business of Pediatrics 2017:

## **Getting Ready for Telemedicine...**



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### Let's start with a business case study...





#### 1900: Kodak introduces Brownie Camera

- Puts photography in hands of every citizen/consumer
  - \$1 camera (film \$0.15/roll)
- Introduced budget 8mm home movie camera & projectors in 1950's
- Instamatic (1957) sold millions through 1960's
- Kodak's success in consumer photography market- by the late 1970s- 85% of camera sales and 90% of film sales in the United
   States.





#### Who knows what this is?

Extra credit: Who invented it?





## 1<sup>st</sup> digital camera (1975)- by Kodak

- "Film-less" camera
  - Size of toaster: 8 lbs
  - Took 23 seconds to load image into special cassette and then another 23 seconds to load & display low quality B&W image on TV
- Kodak late to market with digital cameras, image sharing & non-competitive products





### 2012: Kodak is gone...

- Business case study in failure to adapt to changing technology, market, competition & customers
- Couldn't foresee how technology would enable consumers to capture, view, & share images (mobile phones- no camera, film)
- Reluctance to cannibalize its film/camera business model
- Unable to respond to fast moving market & competitors

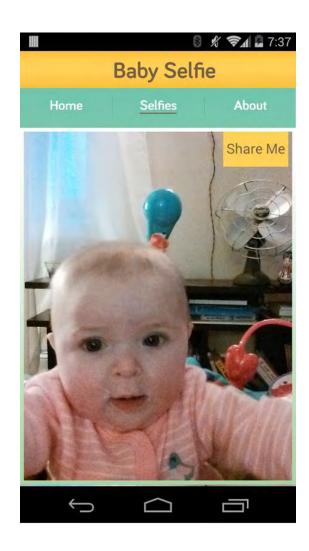






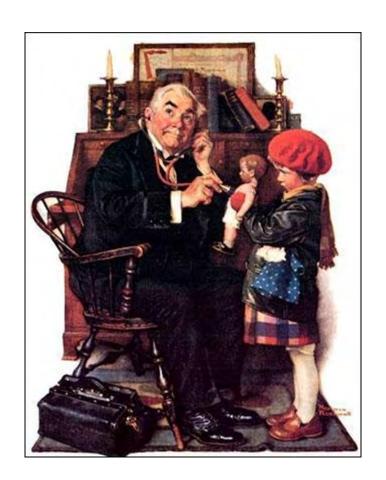
### Tomorrow's customers







## Is this a Kodak moment for pediatrics?



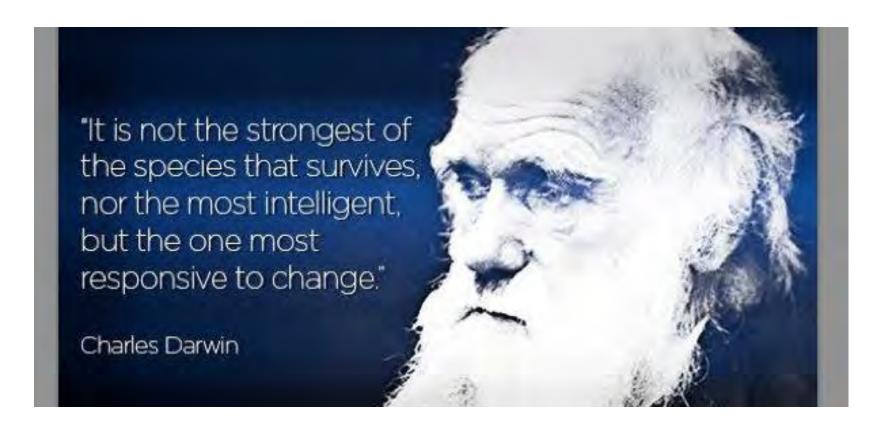


## Have I got your attention?





## Those who adapt, survive...





#### **Medical Home Alert**





### Disruptive vs "big bang innovation"

- Classic disruptive innovation says that a cheaper, but *lower-quality*, innovator can eventually overtake an incumbent by gradually siphoning off customers the incumbent doesn't find it profitable to defend.
  - As the disruptor improves its offering, though, the incumbent's position becomes increasingly fragile.
- Big bang disruption differs in that the start-up offers an innovation that's not only cheaper, but better — higher quality, more convenient, or both — almost right off the bat.



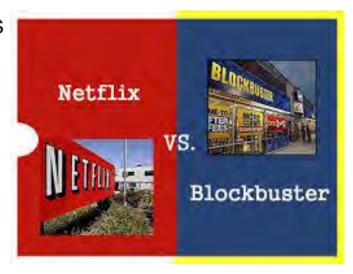
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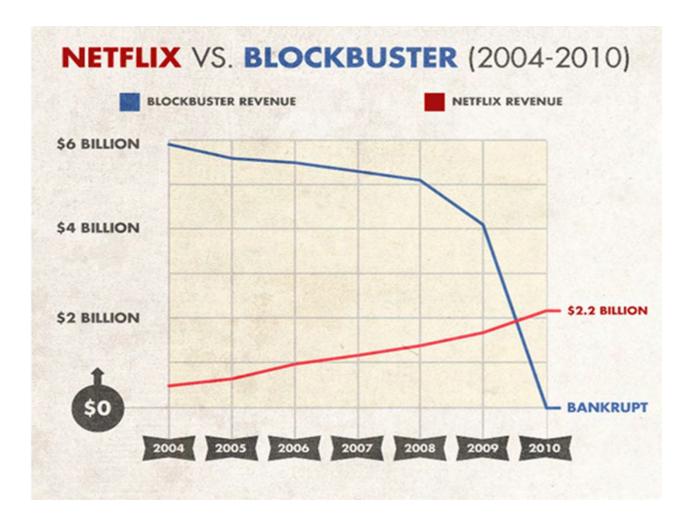




#### **Blockbuster vs Netflix**

- Blockbuster (2002)
  - Over 10,000 stores, market value >\$5B
  - Model: pay per rental, in store selection,
     2 visits/24 hours, late fees
- Netflix (2007)
  - Disruptive innovation: order online, mail order delivery (DVD via USPS), keep as long as you like, no late fees; but had to wait- not same day
  - Big bang disruption: monthly subscription, on-line streaming (better)
  - Now 30 million+ subscribers and developing its own content





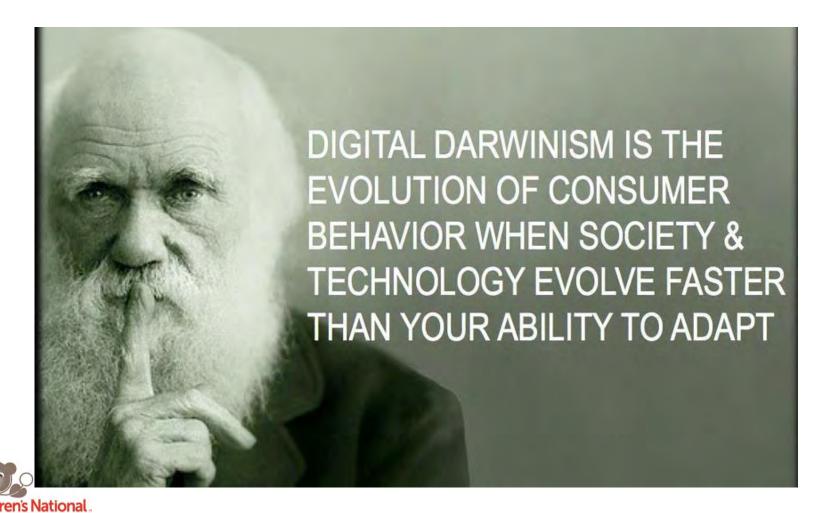


#### **Blockbuster out of business**





## **Digital Darwinism**



### Today's patients, parents & families...









## Together time...





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## **Next generation is here today...**







## Is Your Practice Ready for Telemedicine?





# Telemedicine: emerging or disruptive technology?





## Introducing the newest "on call" doc for advice about a sick child...

- Paging Dr. Siri: 51% of Americans interested in using voice assistants for health needs
  - More than half (51 percent) of Americans are turning to artificial intelligence-powered voice assistants, like Apple's Siri or Amazon's Alexa, to answer their questions on diseases and treatments, according to results of a DRG Digital and Manhattan Research <u>survey</u>.





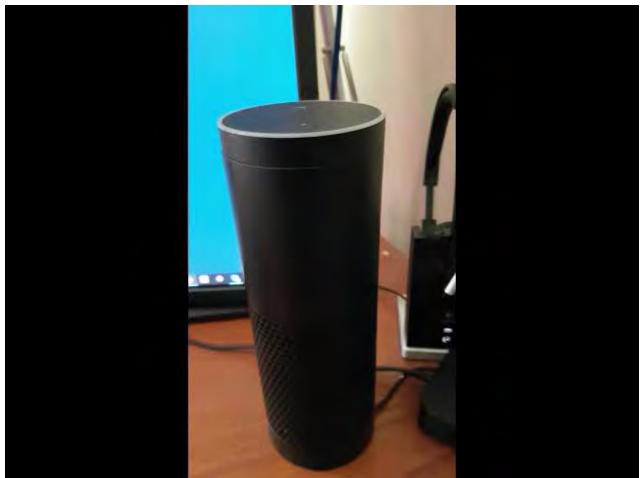
# Amazon Echo: Ask "Alexa" (health advice on children's symptoms)

KidsMD Children's Boston





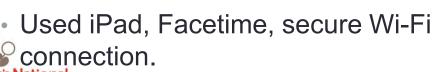
#### Ask Alexa: KidsMD





#### How Reliable is Telemedicine?

- L Siew et al: Reliability of Telemedicine in the Assessment of Seriously III Children, Pediatrics, February 2016
  - This study found that the application of telemedicine, using commercially available telecommunications equipment, is reliable between bedside and telemedicine observers in the assessment of febrile children and children with respiratory distress.





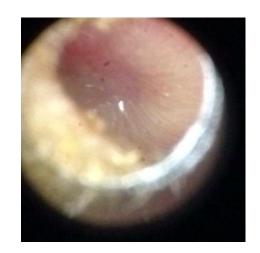
## **Telemedicine visits** (Is Anyone Home?)



### Online otoscopy- here now...









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#### **But wait- there's more...**



## Tytocare- coming to market soon



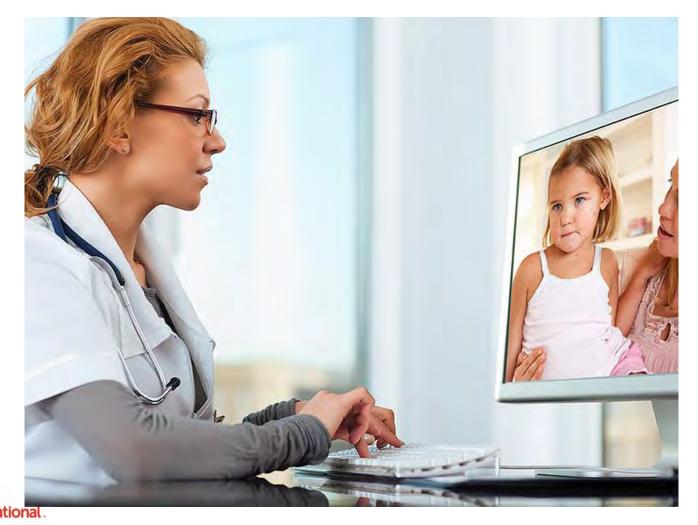


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#### Telemedicine- the next frontier...



### Kaiser advertising "Video Visits"

#### **ENJOY THE CONVENIENCE OF A VIDEO VISIT**



#### To participate in a Video Visit you will need a computer with:

- · High speed internet connection
- Adobe Flash Player. (Most computers already have Adobe Flash Player.)
- Webcam or built-in camera. (Skype and other video chat programs use the same camera setup.)

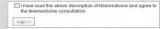
#### To join a Video Visit

- 1. Go to http://mydoctor.kp.org/videovisit
- If this is your first time using Video Visits, click Setup Wizard to make sure your webcam or built-in camera works properly.



You may see this window.
Click "Allow" or your webcam will not work.

- Click Get Started when you are ready to begin. Please join your Video Visit no earlier than 15 minutes before the scheduled time of your appointment.
- 4. Enter your information, check the consent box, and click Login.



Click Join Now to be placed into your video appointment. Your doctor will join you shortly. If you need to cancel your video visit, please call the number on your appointment reminder.



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### Coming soon to your practice?

 Get paid for appropriate E&M services delivered by secure teleconference





## CareFirst PCMH now encouraging use of telemedicine



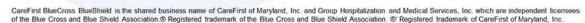


Telemedicine Video Visit

Click Here to Begin

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## CareFirst will provide platform- and payment

- CareFirst PCMH providers can use CareFirst "Video Visit" (or their own) platform to schedule and perform telemedicine visits with CareFirst patients
- CareFirst will reimburse for telemedicine visit via E&M 99212-99215
  - Add –GT modifier







# CAREFIRST TELEMEDICINE EXPERIENCE

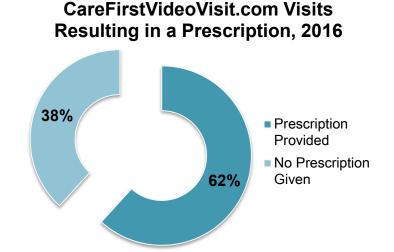
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# CareFirstVideoVisit.com has Largely Been Utilized for Common Acute Conditions and have High Consumer Ratings



Common Conditions on the Platform		
Sinus Infections (Sinusitis)		
Upper Respiratory Infections / Flu		
Sore Throat (Pharyngitis)		
Bronchitis		
Pink Eye (Conjunctivitis)		
Rash		



#### Consumer Ratings, 2016

Consumer Ratings		
	Rating out of 5	
Provider	4.8	
Telemedicine Platform	4.6	

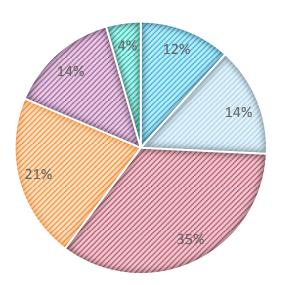
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## Demographics: Gender and Age



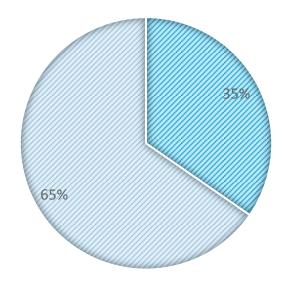
#### Visits by Age, 2016

■ Less than 18 ■ 18-29 ■ 30-39 ■ 40-49 ■ 50-59 ■ 60+



#### Visits by Gender, 2016

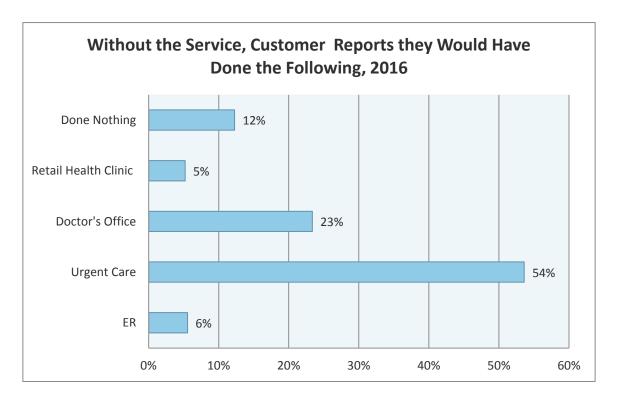
■ Male ■ Female



# Telemedicine may provide a Positive Return on Investment



- Survey data presents without telemedicine, 54% of patients would have visited an Urgent Care and 6% an ER. Only 12% suggest they would have done nothing, with the visit being new utilization.
- Market research suggests convenient services such as telemedicine do result in greater utilization for less acute conditions; however, even a small percentage cost avoidance of high cost services such as the ER could result in a positive ROI.

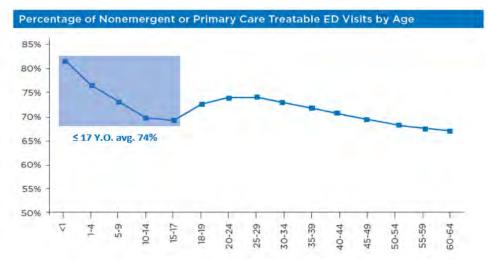


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## Pediatric Application



• Inappropriate utilization of EDs creates an opportunity to generate cost savings.

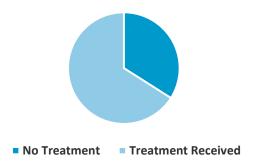


Source: Truven Health Analytics, "Avoidable ED Usage Analysis," 2013.

 Additionally, 34 percent of the children did not receive any direct treatment during the ED visit; only advice and reassurance was delivered to the parents.<sup>1</sup> Nonemergent: Medical care was not required within 12 hours.

<u>Primary Care Treatable</u>: Medical care was required within 12 hours, but care could have safely been provided in the primary care setting





#### **Pediatric Utilization**



- Parents with young children (30 49 year-olds) responded favorably during an in-person visit to using virtual visits in the future.
- Fifty-seven percent of parents said they would strongly consider using a virtual visit if their child was sick:

Percentage of Parents Who Would Consider a Virtual Visit If Their Child Was Sick		
Definitely	22%	
Probably	35%	
Might	28%	
Other	15%	

 Virtual visit utilization is being used heavily by urban parents living in an urban setting to tend to the medical needs of their children:

Parents Who Have Used A Virtual Visit for Their Child, Residence	
Urban	63.0%
Suburban	16.8%
Small Town	6.1%
Rural	7.6%

## Online visits: telemedicine





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## A not so hypothetical case study...

- · Hi Dr Weissman- thanks so much for seeing us for video care.
- My 4 year old Sammy is warm and cranky. He says it hurts to swallow and he pulls on his ear. His asthma seems under control although he is coughing a bit more.
- I took his temperature by temporal thermometer- it's 101.
- I looked at his ears with my home device- they don't look that red but I'm not sure I can tell. I already send the pictures to you.
- I listened to his lungs using that electronic stethoscope- I don't hear any wheezing but I recorded his breath sounds if you want to listen. I can also forward the audio files. His home pulse ox is 98.
- I swabbed his throat and did a home rapid strep test on himwhich definitely looks positive. See the positive line here?
- One of the kids at daycare has strep. The daycare texted all the parents in his class.
- Can you please prescribe him an antibiotic for his strep?
- I know your practice coaches us that antibiotics are not needed for most kids illnesses. I just read your weekly practice blog about how children with strep illness can return to daycare or school earlier once treatment is begun. That's why I contacted you for an
   online visit rather than going to minute clinic.

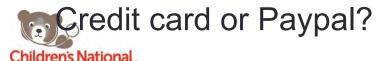




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# Sure- we have your payment info in our system. Click OK & we'll ship your Rx right over!







## Plan for climate change...



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"All I'm saying is now is the time to develop the technology to deflect an asteroid."



# Plan for telemedicine in primary caredisrupt the disrupters?

- Convenience care
  - Daytime advice- convert telephone advice to telemedicine E&M
  - After hours advice- outsource to telemedicine call center?
- Chronic care/disease management (consider early, lunch, evenings)
  - ADHD updates, refills
  - ASD check-ins
  - Behavioral health- medication updates
  - Asthma management
  - Obesity- weight management, goals
  - Children with medical complexity- care coordination, management vs support
- Three-way or group opportunities- in office visits
  - Video connect with working parent for well or sick visits
  - Engage educational partners at school for ADHD, ASD
  - Connect with specialist or care coordinator- for expertise, reassurance or accelerated specialty care/referral
- Schedule pediatrician/provider telemedicine visit hours?
- Worth a day off periodically?



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## Technology is moving faster than we are!

- Future "Digital Darwinism" case study?
- We need to begin to pilot telemedicine use in primary care pediatric practice
- We need to engage our families before they migrate to alternate providers of telemedicine service they want
- We need to learn how to use the technology, best clinical "use cases" and integrate into practice operations (scheduling, workflow, EHR, billing, regular-extended-after hours)
- We need to plan ahead to leverage technology- not just between family and PCP- but across a "clinically integrated network"

# Telemedicine in pediatric practice: Tapping into pioneers & early adopters









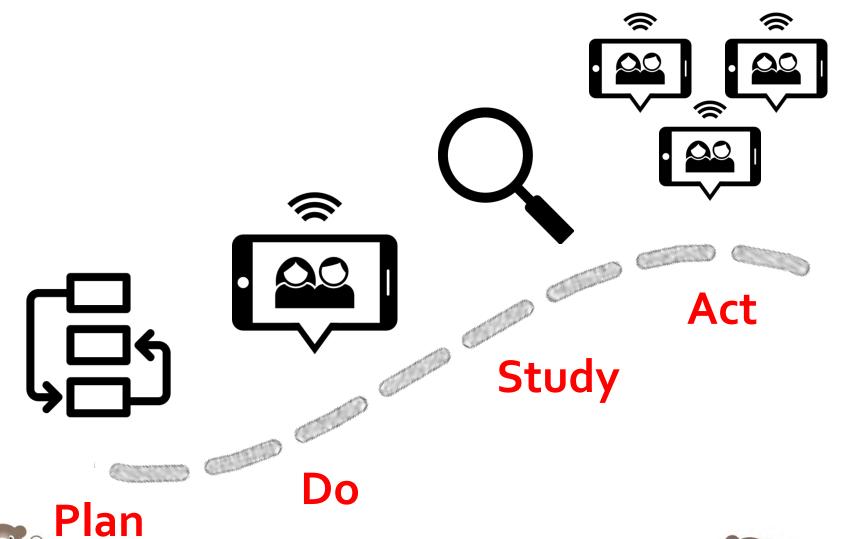


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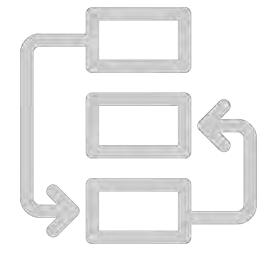






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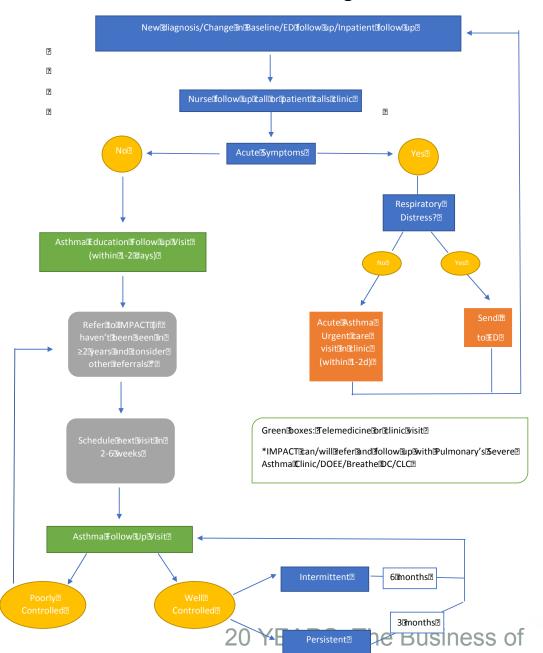
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• Identify IT staff support for providers *and* patients





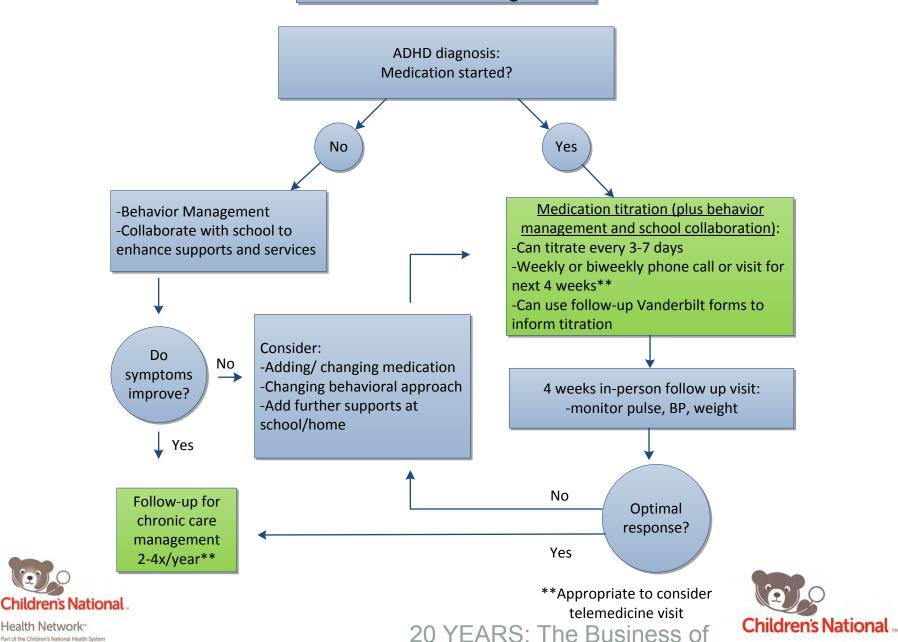
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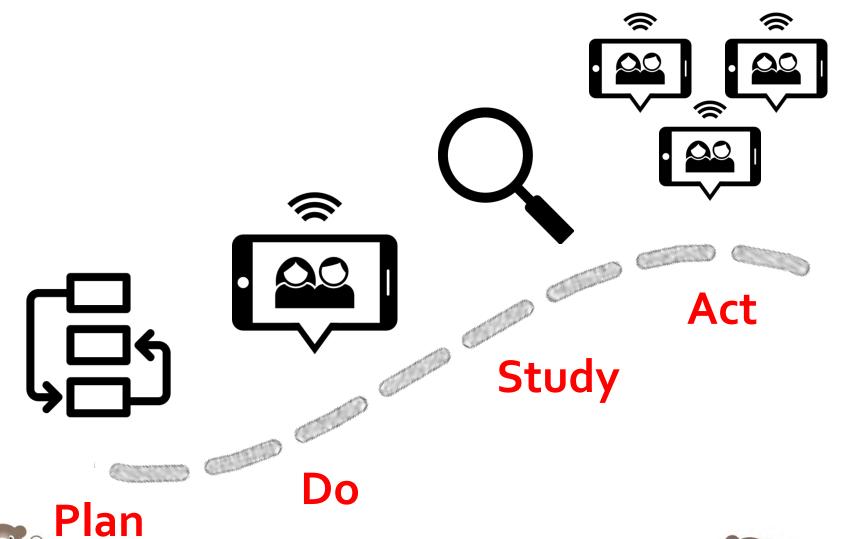




#### Telemedicine ADHD Algorithm



## Video Visits- a Roadmap







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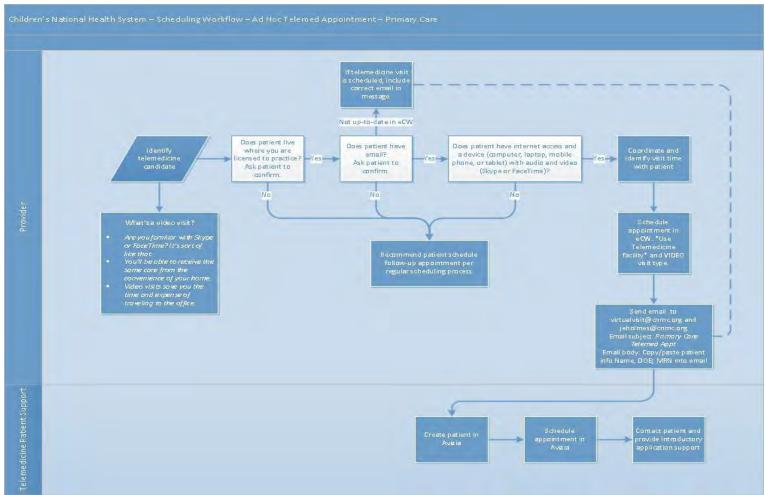
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## Ad Hoc Visit Workflow: Identifying and scheduling a patient







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- Technology Internet connection and device that can send and receive audio and video
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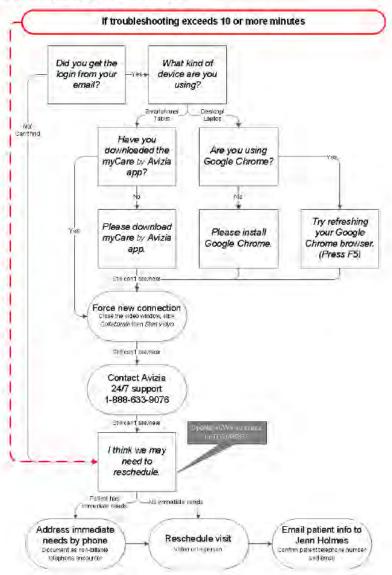
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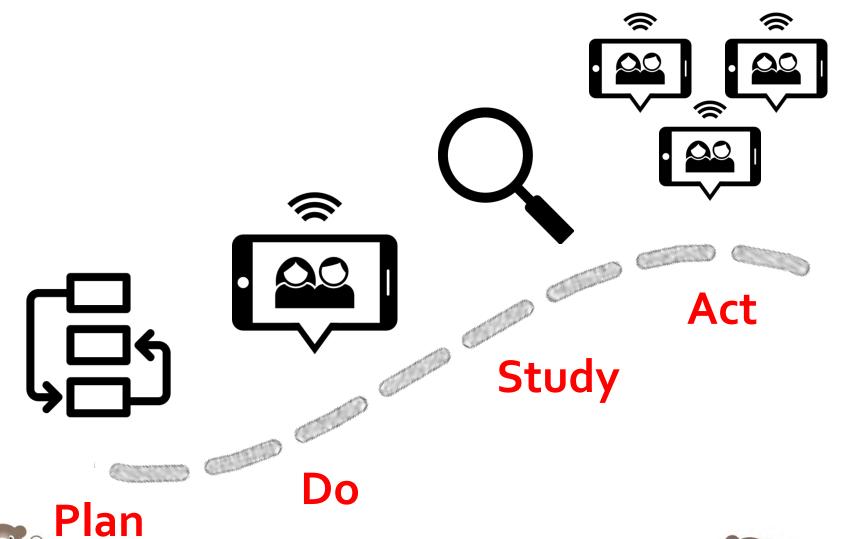
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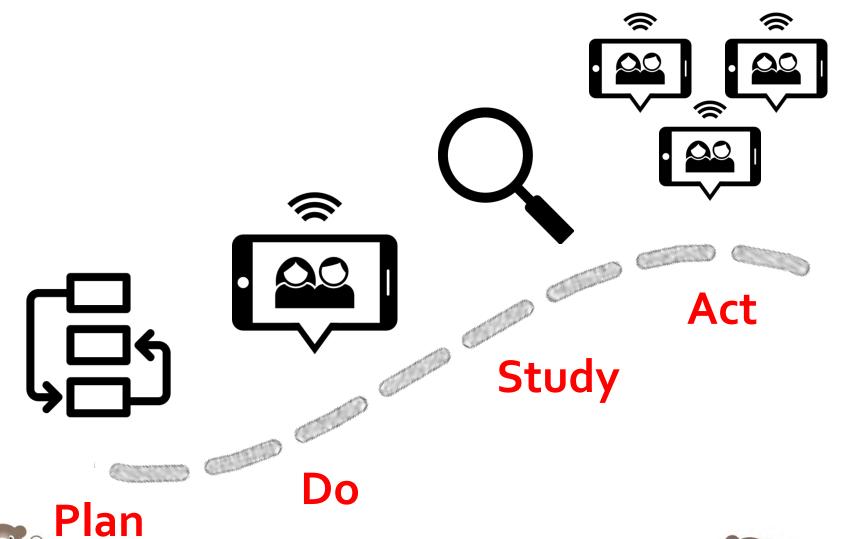
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- Parents love it, the kids think it's pretty cool
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## Technology

- Providers
  - Stations/ Office/ Space
  - Desktop or laptop (audio and video)
- Patients
  - Most families use their phones
  - Questions to ask families





### Quality of care

- Developing standard of care: "in-person equivalency"
- Need to identify/develop appropriate use cases

## Licensing/Legal

- Need to be licensed in jurisdiction where patient is located at time of visit
- Biggest barrier limits pool, creates room for confusion on administrative level
- Interstate Medical Licensure Compact
- HIPAA compliance
- Liability





### Payment for services

- Variable reimbursement limited information
- Codes may be changing (currently using "GT" as modifier)
- Most visits that are reimbursed equivalent to office visits

## Administrative/IT support

- Support for patients
  - Registration and coaching for initial visit
- Support for provider
  - Training and resources
  - Back up support during visits





### Video Visits- consider this checklist

- Research and choose telemedicine platform
- Ask payers about reimbursement
- Apply for needed licenses/ discuss with malpractice insurance carrier
- Consider equipment and physical space needs
- Engage providers and staff
- Develop use cases
- Train providers in using platform and executing visit- "test" patient visits
- Pilot a few visits with interested providers (ad hoc visits)
- Build templates and workflows for scheduling
- Develop and clearly identify telemedicine support
- Recruit and register patients
- Develop mechanism and provide opportunities for feedback



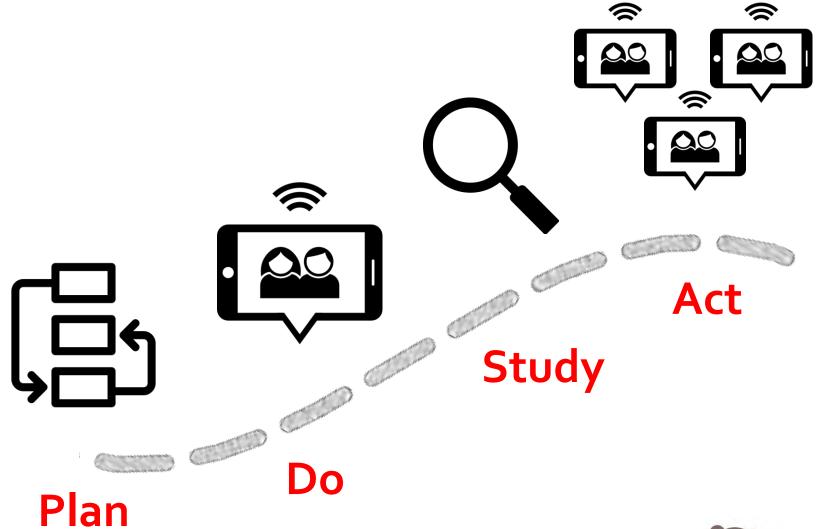






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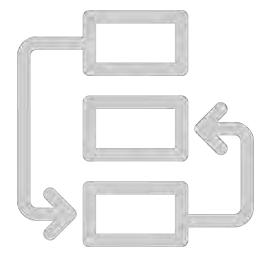
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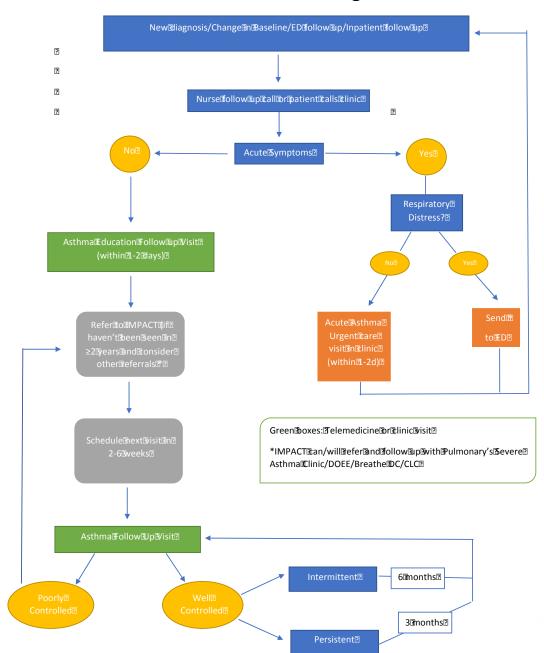
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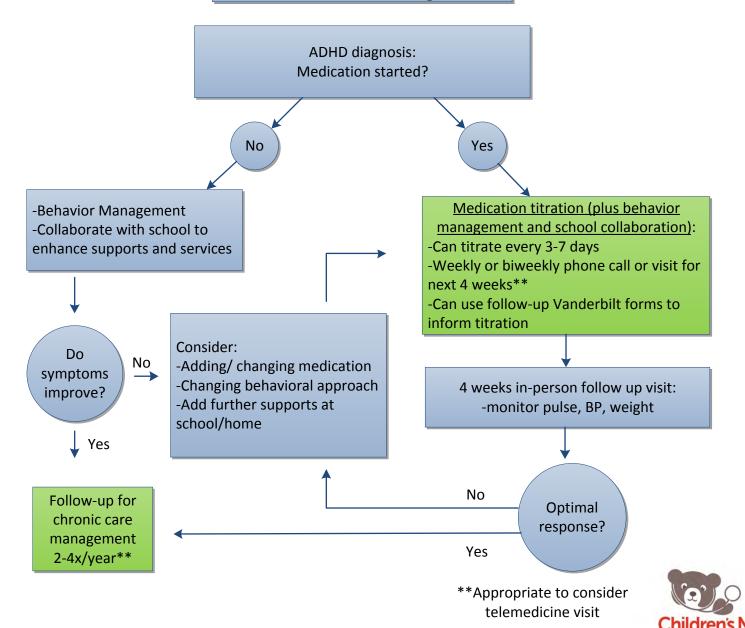


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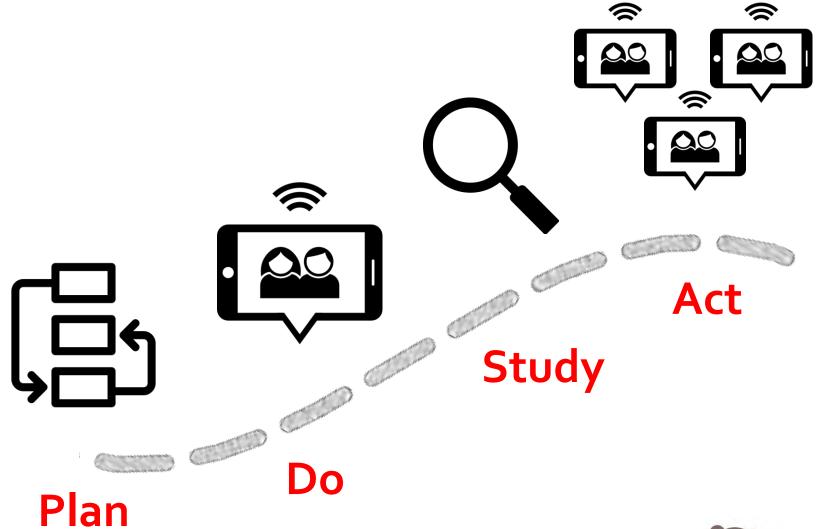




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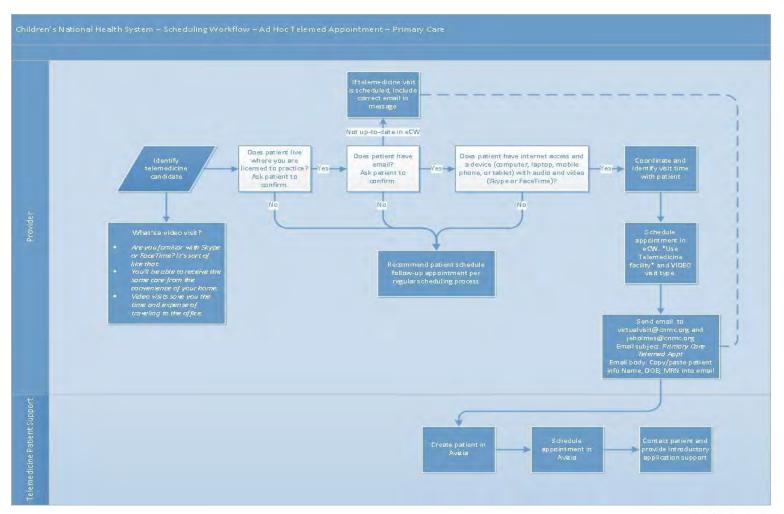


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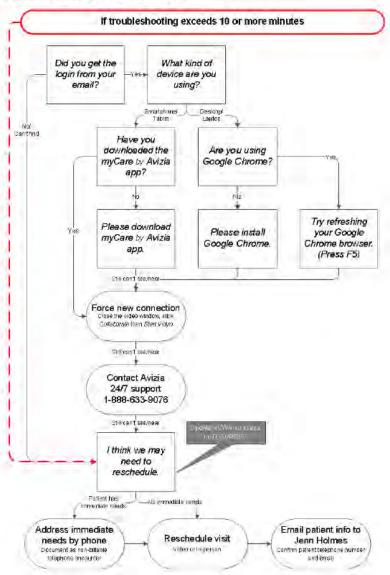
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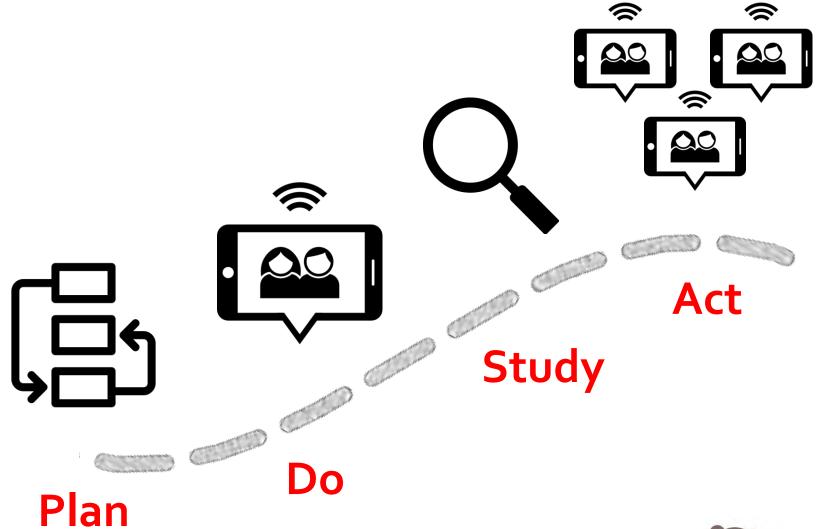


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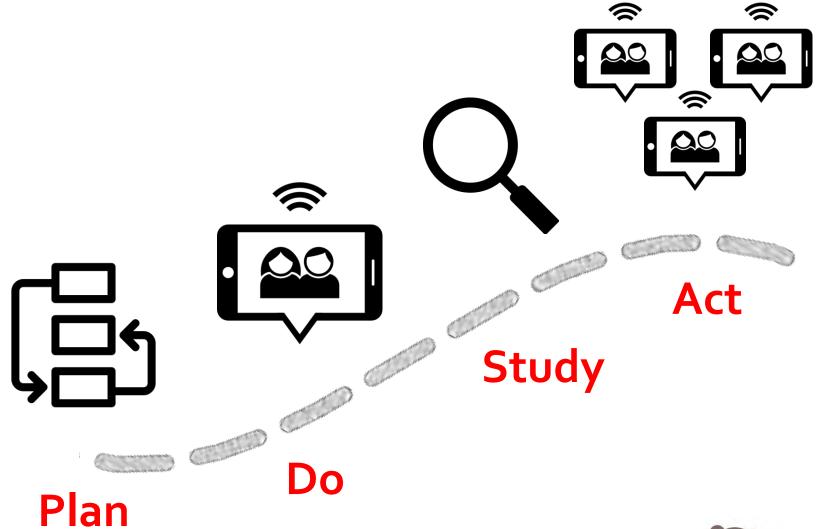


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- Liability



### Payment for services

- Variable reimbursement limited information
- Codes may be changing (currently using "GT" as modifier)
- Most visits that are reimbursed equivalent to office visits

### Administrative/IT support

- Support for patients
  - Registration and coaching for initial visit
- Support for provider
  - Training and resources
  - Back up support during visits



#### Video Visits- consider this checklist

- Research and choose telemedicine platform
- Ask payers about reimbursement
- Apply for needed licenses/ discuss with malpractice insurance carrier
- Consider equipment and physical space needs
- Engage providers and staff
- Develop use cases
- Train providers in using platform and executing visit- "test" patient visits
- Pilot a few visits with interested providers (ad hoc visits)
- Build templates and workflows for scheduling
- Develop and clearly identify telemedicine support
- Recruit and register patients
- Develop mechanism and provide opportunities for feedback



# **Questions & discussion**

