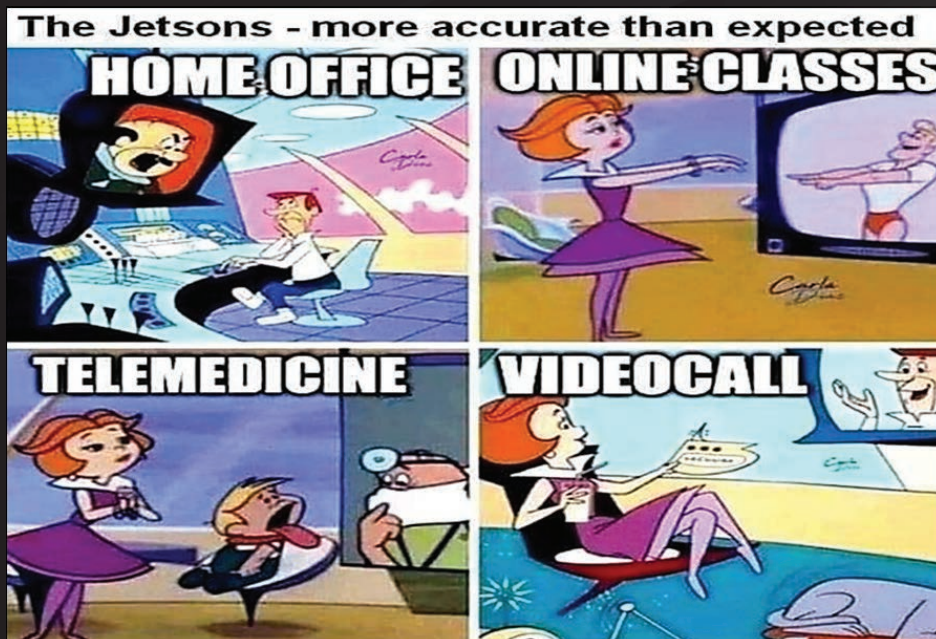


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# Terminology

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## ▶ Telehealth: Delivery of Health Care

- Telemedicine Services
- Digital Health Technology and Solutions
- Interoperability and Patient Portals
- Consumer-Initiated Health Care Apps

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## Telemedicine Services

| Telemedicine Service             | Description   |
|----------------------------------|---|
| <b>Telestroke</b>                | Remote evaluation, diagnosis, and treatment recommendations to emergency medicine physicians at other sites using advanced telecommunications technologies    |
| <b>Teleradiology</b>             | Transmission of images and associated data between locations for the purpose of primary interpretation or consultation and clinical review                    |
| <b>Tele-ICU</b>                  | Networks of audio-visual communications and computer systems that link critical care physicians and nurses to intensive care units in other, remote hospitals |
| <b>Telebehavioral</b>            | Mental health and substance abuse services provided from a distance (e.g., using video-conferencing and other advanced communications technologies)           |
| <b>Telepathology</b>             | Practice of pathology from a remote location by means of video cameras, monitors, and remote-controlled microscopes   |
| <b>Cybersurgery</b>              | Surgical techniques allowing surgeons, using a telecommunication conduit connected to a robotic instrument, to operate on remote patients                     |
| <b>Remote Patient Monitoring</b> | Continuous or periodic clinical assessment of patients using advanced communications technologies   |
| <b>Telepharmacy</b>              | Provision of pharmaceutical care to patients (or supervision to technicians) at a distance using advanced telecommunications technologies                     |
| <b>Consultations</b>             | Remote consultations with specialists, primary care physicians, counselors, social workers, and other health care professionals                               |

## COVID-19 Pandemic Impact on Telehealth



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