Telemedicine toolkit fact sheet

Practical tools to implement Telemedicine and expand access to healthcare

Based on the success of the Telemedicine model in Ghana^{*}, the Novartis Foundation has developed a toolkit designed to help the implementation of Telemedicine in low- and middle-income communities and populations.

Available to download from October 2018, the toolkit comprises:

- A high-level overview of the Ghana Telemedicine approach and Toolkit
- An interactive implementation guide designed to guide the user through the process of implementing Telemedicine
- Fever disease pack editable template is adaptable to local practice
- Post-partum hemorrhage disease pack editable template is adaptable to local practice
- · Rollout plan template
- Communication one-pager
- What to watch out for one-pager



For more information on the toolkit and associated programs, please contact the Novartis Foundation at: **novartis.foundation@novartis.com** or visit **novartisfoundation.org**

*In the Ghana telemedicine model, local health workers are provided with 24/7 telephone support from experienced medical staff at Teleconsultation Centers

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Through the Ghana Telemedicine program:

>50%

of all teleconsultations could be resolved directly by phone

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31%

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unnecessary referrals were avoided

Ghana cedis (USD 31) average savings per avoided referral