

Project ECHO Nevada: Telementoring Providers to Help Improve Antimicrobial Stewardship

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Comparing Telemedicine and the ECHO Model

Traditional Specialist Manages Patient Remotely Telemedicine







Anytime, Anywhere, Any Device







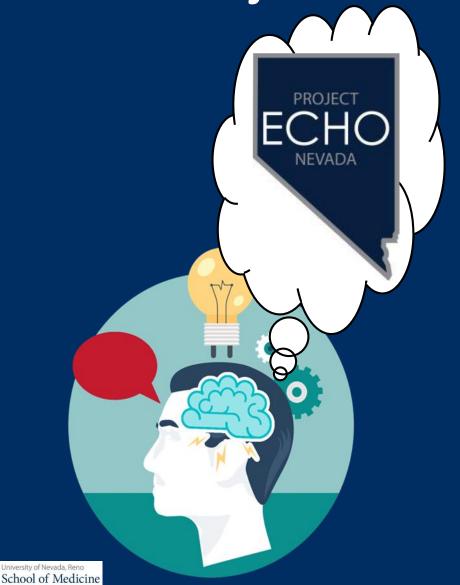
Project ECHO New Mexico

- 2003 Sanjeev Arora identified the need to treat patients with Hepatitis C living in remote NM communities
- Envisioned the use of videoconferencing to create a knowledge network of like providers
- Received a Health Care Innovation award from RWJ Foundation
- Demonstrated improved provider satisfaction and self-efficacy
- Proved identical outcomes between care by rural PCPs + ECHO and ordinary care at academic medical center
- Published results in NEJM, June, 2011
- >100 ECHO hubs world-wide





Project ECHO Nevada Background



- Planning began in late 2010
- Rural road trips/site visits/needs assessment during July and August 2011
- First clinic launched April 2012 –
 Diabetes ECHO
- Currently 11 active ECHO clinics + 3 inactive



Project ECHO Nevada Today

1,900+

CME/CE credits provided for FREE in Nevada 50+

Participating sites in Nevada

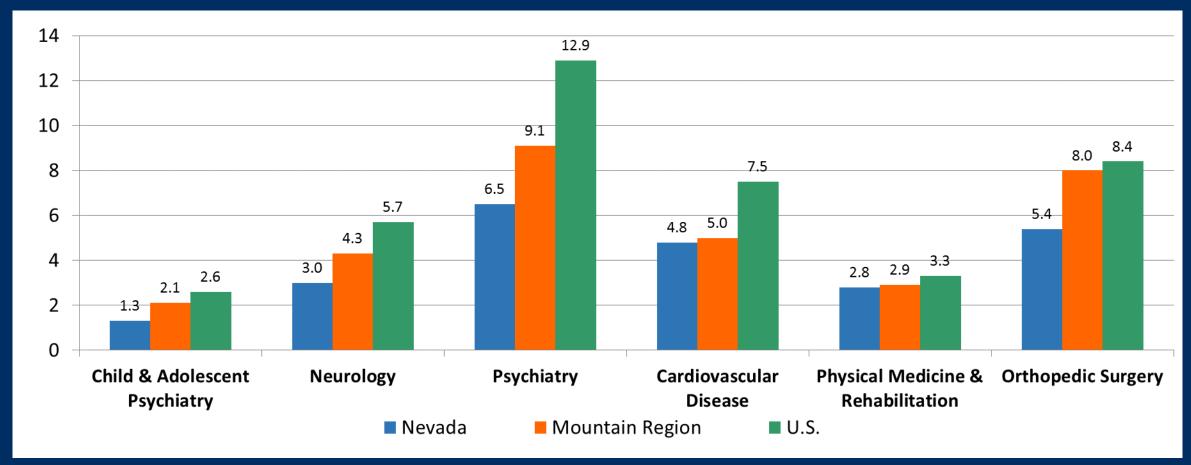
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Participating medical professionals including more than 165 primary care providers





Medical and Surgical Specialties Number of MDs per 100,000 Population – 2013

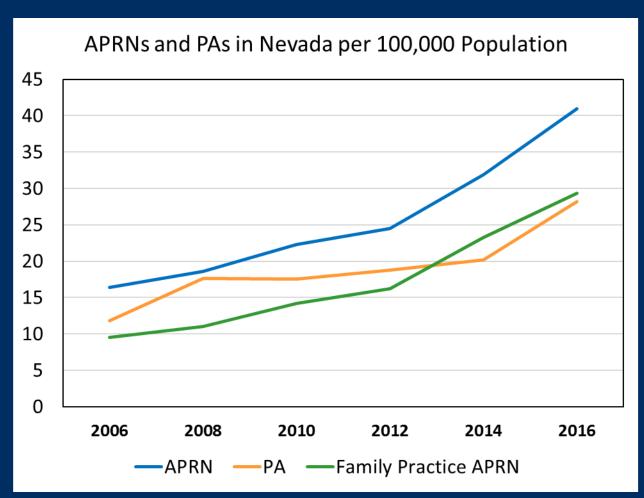


Source: AMA. Physician Characteristics and Distribution in the U.S. (2015).

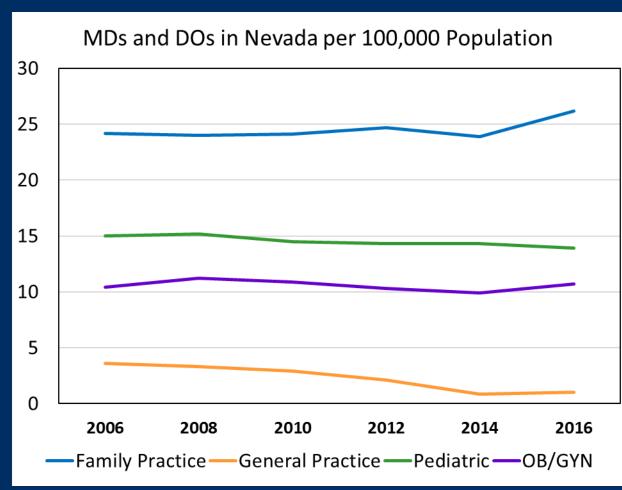




More primary care provided by a lower licensed workforce







Sources: AMA. *Physician Characteristics and Distribution in the U.S.* (2015). Unpublished data from the Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners (2016).





Project ECHO Nevada Clinics for Primary Care Providers

- Antibiotic Stewardship
- Behavioral Health in Primary Care*
- Diabetes/General Endocrine (x2)*
- Gastroenterology
- Geriatrics*
- Medication Assisted Therapy (MAT) (x2)*
- Pain Management (x2)*
- Public Health
- Sports Medicine

*behavioral health specialist(s) on interdisciplinary team





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