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Enhancing Patient Care through Healthcare Workers' Adoption of Modern Technology

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Abstract

Telemedicine has emerged as a transformative solution in modern healthcare, improving access, efficiency, and patient outcomes. The purpose of this research is to consider new directions in the application of telemedicine technologies by qualitative and quantitative parameters and the impact on the quality of outcomes while meeting patient expectations for satisfaction, treatment efficacy, precision of diagnosis, and follow-up care. In contrast with prior research, this study employs a conceptual model for exploring the factors such as benefits and risk related to telemedicine adoption, as well as for empirically testing their impact on telemedicine effectiveness and its quantifiable consequences on healthcare system that has not been done in previous research studies. An initial conceptual model is proposed which consists of model variables such as telemedicine adoption; perceived usefulness and ease of use; and service frequency related to the care outcomes of patients. Hypothesis 1, 2, 3, and 4 were tested using multiple regression analysis and the results showed that there was significant positive relationships between the variables Telemedicine Adoption (independent variable) and variables such as Patient Satisfaction ($\beta = 0.65$), Treatment Efficiency ($\beta = 0.72$), Diagnostic Accuracy ($\beta = 0.58$) and Continuity of care ($\beta = 0.69$) with For these reasons, targeted training and education, infrastructure support, and policy initiatives and changes are critical in order to fill knowledge gaps and provide for smooth acceptance of telemedicine products into healthcare systems.

Keywords: Diagnosis, Health care professionals, Hypothesis, Patient Care, Telemedicine

Introduction

Telemedicine can be described as one of the most disruptive technologies that have occurred to the healthcare industry in recent years (Haleem et al. 2021). Telemedicine is the provision of healthcare directly through the use of technology including telecommunication technologies in the services to the patient (George and George 2023). Modern telemedicine has been established as an effective tool in healthcare that can increase access to medical services, provide real savings through decreased waiting time, and increase work convenience for healthcare workers and, correspondingly patients. Telemedicine has its roots in the first years of the 20th century and was initially used in a very limited manner for military purposes only (Rouidi, Elouadi, and Hamdoune 2022). However, it reached its full potential after arrival of the internet and other communication media in the late 20th and early 21st century. The use of telemedicine for primarily early consultations has grown over the years to full blown teleconsulting, teletherapy, to even telesurgeries which makes diagnosis and real remedies for individuals who hardly get any access to qualified doctors (Rauner and Stummer 2024). Some key advantages of telemedicine

to the provider include timeliness in assessment and therapy, effectiveness in the follow up and access to colleagues internationally (Ma et al. 2022). Doctors, nurses, therapists, and many other allied health workers are the core besides the technology in making telemedicine work (Abdulaziz Rbah Alharbi and Dalal Sayil Alanazi 2024). Engagement and proper utilization of telemedicine technologies are essential if the quality of care given to patients is to be improved. the implementation of telemedicine within clinical care settings is dissimilar across the geographic location, subtype of specialty, as well as the levels of care, meaning that contextual factors such as infrastructure, competencies, and sustenance impact the effectiveness of teleradiology factors significantly. Moreover, the use of telemedicine by clinicians has been on the rise, especially recently due to the COVID-19 pandemic (Luciano, Mahmood, and Mansouri Rad 2020)

The consequences of the pandemic in healthcare has led to the need for a quick transition in healthcare systems across the globe – social distancing, limited physical contacts and overall lowering the load on the healthcare systems were among the biggest challenges that arose because of the pandemic. Telemedicine emerged, therefore, as a critical means by which care could be delivered at a distance, so that the patients could still receive the requisite services without danger of spreading the virus. This drastic change in the adoption of telemedicine brought into focus the role that it is likely to play not only in addressing current healthcare needs but also in fixing the broken healthcare ecosystem of the future, especially, rural or, for that matter, the unrepresented regions (Ning, Cabrera, and D'Anza 2021). The COVID-19 pandemic has served as a facilitator for the use of telemedicine among practitioners; many of which have not embraced digital health technology interventions in the past (D'Souza et al. 2024). Due to the limitations of face-to-face consultations of which the world lost its taste because of COVID-19 and the necessity of maintaining the steadiness of a healthcare system, healthcare personnel had no option than to adopt Telemedicine as a way of providing care for their patients (Eze, Mateus, and Cravo Oliveira Hashiguchi 2020). As the pandemic subsides, however, the question remains, it is along these categories that the question of how the use of telemedicine by healthcare professionals can be sustained and the impact that this has on patient care can be best understood. The research that aims at identifying how different stakeholders' attitudes influence the adoption of telemedicine is justified by the possibility it holds in enhancing patient care delivery. If these and/or other factors favour or hinder use of telemedicine are understood, policymakers, healthcare administrators, developers of health information technology can help healthcare professionals better utilize technology to improve the quality of patient care. Moreover, it develops an understanding of how the telemedicine adoption affects patients' care outcomes including patients' satisfaction, diagnoses accuracy, and the efficacy of the treatment (Mauro et al. 2020). The major research contributions of the paper are,

- The study establishes a structured framework linking telemedicine adoption to patient satisfaction, treatment efficiency, diagnostic accuracy, and continuity of care.
- It validates telemedicine's positive impact on healthcare outcomes through robust regression analysis.
- The research highlights knowledge gaps and attitudes among healthcare professionals, emphasizing the need for training and awareness.
- Practical strategies for improving telemedicine integration and patient care delivery are proposed.

Related Works

Analyzing the usage of telemedicine in enhancing diagnostic services for rural Paraguay for three consecutive years (2014–2016). Galván et al. (2018) descriptive study looked at the records of 182,406 remote diagnoses which included tomography, ECG, EEG and ultrasound done in 54 hospitals. Lastly, tomography was employed in head injuries and setting whereas ECG and EEG in seizures and headache and ultrasound was more interested in prenatal care. It was noted in the study that telemedicine highly increased feasibility of diagnosing services, cut down on patient transfers and efficient use of humans and finances. These results enhance the promise of telemedicine within the delivery of healthcare solutions under resourced areas, especially its efficacy in optimizing restrictive healthcare supplies. Nevertheless, the given work does not contain information concerning the long-term adaption of the concept into large healthcare systems' frameworks.

Bashir et al., (2023) identified the knowledge and attitude of employees towards using Telemedicine in the King Fahad Medical City of Saudi Arabia in a cross sectional study of 370 participants. Consequently, the study's findings profiled the respondents' attitudes toward Telemedicine revealing that, despite a positive attitude, most respondents possessed little information on the matter. A comparison of the results of the attitude scores yielded showed that physicians recorded the best attitudes relative to allied health professions and nurses. Education and nationality were found to have little impact on attitudes, but improved education initiatives are required to promote better telemedicine engagement stronger. However, the study revealed threats whereby healthcare professionals have limited understanding of telemedicine, which may weaken the implementation of telemedicine. The authors have called on professionals to seek training to fill these gaps of knowledge as a way of enhancing the success of deployment of telemedicine systems.

To understand the particular preferences of the patients and clinicians during virtual consultations, Ezeamii et al. (2024) used an abductive analysis in identification of the factors. The work employed themed, face-to-face interviews with patients undergoing orthopaedic rehabilitation in a named tertiary hospital in the United Kingdom. The findings identified four major factors shaping preferences: the context of care, the management of care, social pressure and outcomes of decision making. In operationalising these factors, patients' mental construct of such clinical status, preferred treatment and system, and psychological-experiential dimensions of previous care was used. These factors were portrayed as playing constant dynamics, wherein one supported another, or in explicit contrast with it, guided an individual's choices in a clinical context. From these findings, the authors devised a conceptual model and set up practical questions for clinicians to consider patient preferences during consultations. The findings of this paper serve as practical recommendations that could improve the design of virtual consultations, ensuring that patients receive personalized and efficient care.

Telemedicine is examined by Wang et al. (2021) concerning its benefits and drawbacks during COVID-19, especially concerning chronic diseases managing. This study showed that telemedicine can partially relieve shortages of medical resources, decrease the risks of cross-infection and offer various clinical services from 2015 to 2020. In chronic diseases, especially for those who choose to avoid in-hospital treatment, telemedicine was observed to yield significant improvements. The measures taken during the pandemic to intensively develop telemedicine opened up possibilities to work on the methods for diagnostics and the therapy of chronic diseases. Although the study also highlights the sociocultural value of telemedicine, gaps such as technology limitation and telemedicine inadequacy in terms of availability in rural regions are highlighted. The results emphasize for improving integration of telemedicine into a variety of ongoing healthcare systems.

Review of PROMs and PREMs conducted by Knapp et al. (2021) on telemedicine evaluation. They evaluated 303 papers that revealed that the use of PROMs is rising with the most common measured domains being health related quality of life and emotional function. Post-implementation overall evaluation measures were used less frequently in higher-evidence research and conversely. According to the review, there is a lack of outcome measurement consensus and noted insufficient attention to health literacy and personnel training as prerequisites for telemedicine implementation. Knapp et al. also found that PROMs are now a key component of the telemedicine assessment, especially in chronic illnesses, but noted that the quality of collected metrics remains an issue and patients' knowledge needs to be further enhanced.

In relation to the analysis of the telemedicine effects on the patient outcomes, access to the healthcare and health systems, Ezeamii et al. (2024) focused on the chronic disease management. The telemedicine was described as having a revolutionary effectiveness for delivery of diabetes care, with positive clinical effectivity, HbA1c levels and patient satisfaction. It also stressed benefits such as cost reduction and improved patient utilisation of telecommunication technology solutions in the assessment of people with diabetes foot disease in remote settings. The findings highlight the possibility of telemedicine to physically cancel geographical space, increase accessibility, and deliver comprehensible treatment. In their review, Ezeamii et al. opined that telemedicine is crucial to patient-oriented healthcare worldwide and stated that policy reform is crucial for improving the adoption of telemedicine frameworks within conventional practices.

3. Research Framework

Telemedicine has introduced a new genesis in patient care delivery by improving access, efficiency and effectiveness of healthcare systems. But the extent to which the telemedicine will be adopted depends on several factors that determine how it will be used by healthcare providers. In this scholar research, the author seeks to understand the impact of, as well as evaluate the machine telemedicine on specific patient care indicators including patient satisfaction, treatment time, diagnosis, and care coordination. This research works on a framework that has been developed to assess the effectiveness of telemedicine moderated by the independent variable of telephone adoption and the dependent variable of patient care. Introducing variables of perceived usefulness, ease of use, and frequency of the use of telemedicine, the framework targets to give a holistic view of the drivers of the adoption and its impacts on healthcare outcomes as quantified measures. This approach can thus provide a practical picture of how telemedicine can be applied effectively in today's world.

3.1 Dependent and Independent Variables

In this study, therefore it is relevant to explore on the usage of the telemedicine by the health care providers so as to justify the effect it has in improving on the outcomes of the patients. Intervening variables act as dependent variables reflecting effects of the changing independent variable in terms of shared patient satisfaction, treatment efficiency, diagnosis accuracy, and continuity of care. The independent variable is concerned with the adoption

of telemedicine is used, measured in terms of frequency of its use, perceived usefulness, ease of use of telemedicine, and types of telemedicine services. This framework prescribes how the relationship between the adoption of telemedicine and patient care outcomes could be assessed systematically and provides understanding on the significant factors that fuel efficient assimilation of telemedicine in healthcare organization.

3.1.1 Independent Variable

The independent variable in this research is calculated from the extent to which the healthcare professionals are using telemedicine in their profession in terms of how often they use the services, the services that are being offered by telemedicine and how efficient the platforms are in supporting care provision. It also takes into account, the extent to which telemedicine acts as a complement to some objectives of increasing access, productivity and consequently patient care outcomes. Implemented at high rates, it demonstrates that healthcare practices want to assimilate advanced technology into their practices – for the purpose of its effect on patients' satisfaction, treatment time, test reliability, and more which are explored

3.1.2 Dependent Variable

In the context of research described as “Exploratory Study to Investigate the Factors affecting the adoption of Telemedicine among Healthcare Professionals, the dependent factors refer to the measures of the extent to which adoption of telemedicine made impact among various aspects of the healthcare sector. Satisfaction of the patient is a very important factor, here it is seen how telemedicine makes communication and convenience better and regarding the overall care. Another important output is health care productivity which essentially measures changes in identified operational characteristics like, reduced waiting, shortened treatment time and capacity to treat more clients. Clinical impacts are also important whereby the study look at the extent to which telemedicine provides a solution towards accurate diagnosis, treatment, and follow up of the patients

3.2 Hypothesis Development

Telemedicine is a dynamic part of modern healthcare systems throughout the world, demonstrating a focus upon updating patient care delivery, organizational efficiency, and accessibility of needed healthcare services. Using secondary research to examine factors pertaining to telemedicine adoption and its efficacy, this study depends on the analysis of prior theoretical work. Telemedicine is identified as a critical area of study, mainly on factors such as patients' satisfaction, treatment time, diagnosis precision and care coordination. Furthermore, the research explores the effect of telemedicine on processes practiced by healthcare professions: the benefits that telemedicine brings to the operational efficiency, the cost reduction in the supply of healthcare services, and the overall improvement of service delivery. These tests will then be regressed and other statistical tools will be employed in order to test the association between adoption of telemedicine and the various healthcare outcomes. It is the intention of this study to add to the systematic literature review on telemedicine that can help inform effective use of telemedicine for improved patient care, increase operational efficiency and overall improved patient outcome.

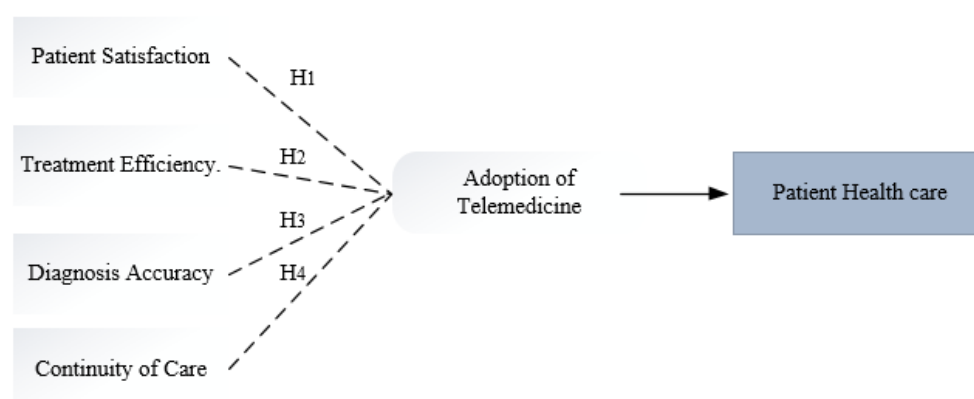


Fig.1. Hypothesis Development

H₁: Healthcare professionals' adoption of telemedicine positively influences patient satisfaction.

The integration of telemedicine in the healthcare sector has very many benefits and it has taken a new turn and enabled healthcare workers to improve their patients' satisfaction levels (Salman et al. 2024). Clinically this implies that instead of having to involve time and energy in traveling long distances to get a physician's consultation, patients get the chance to do so in the comfort of their own homes or office. This is especially

important with patient groups who are located in regions where health care provision is problematic such as remote areas. Thus, through the barriers of space, via telemedicine, patients are given prompt and credible treatment hence satisfaction is achieved. Promoting of cross-sectional communication is among the important benefits of telemedicine since it enhances the satisfaction of patients. About video consultations and the use of secure digital spaces – they provide the ability to communicate with each client individually and safely, to talk about some problems with the doctor alone. Such involvement not only enhances patient-practitioner relationship but also assist patients to feel they are part of some decision making process. Another aspect that has been developed as part of this model is the ability to provide further consultations and to monitor the patient correspondingly well, thereby catering adequately to the needs of the patient. Another major one is flexibility. Telemedicine gives patients a chance to make appointments at their most convenient times; for the working people or people with mobility issues (Boppa 2022). This removes much of the strain linked to conventional healthcare visits and makes it more for the patients. Further, the ease of telemedicine reaching faster conclusions, procuring prescriptions quicker and follow up consultations that are easier also contribute to the positive experience in their decisions. The aim of telemedicine is to enhance patient satisfaction since it deals with some problems that are reflected in typical healthcare providing practice, including obstacles to access, language barriers, or limited time. Since telemedicine is gradually becoming integrated into treatment plans and methods of patient communication with healthcare providers, the possibilities for the development of telemedicine show that, in addition to making healthcare accessible, it will also make more focused and efficient. Such a shift proves the relevance of the telemedicine solution as one of the essential instruments of effective healthcare provision

H₂: Healthcare professionals' adoption of telemedicine positively influences treatment efficiency.

This paper finds that the use of telemedicine by numerous healthcare workers has become a game-changer in improving the efficiency of treatment in healthcare systems (Kruse et al. 2020). Telemedicine make it easier to undergo consultation since, through the virtual consultation, patients and healthcare providers will have saved a lot of time which would have been spent on travel or waiting. This in return means that the healthcare givers are able to spend more time diagnosing and treating the patients thereby providing more service to the patients in a day. Perhaps the largest advantage that telemedicine incorporation has on the treatment efficiency is the timely delivery of care. Virtual consults help solve routine health problems, thus preventing them from becoming significant health problems. Also, telemedicine interfaces with the EHRs, so, the providers have all the patient's information, history, tests and prescribed treatments within arm's reach (Zhang and Saltman 2022). One of the benefits of current access to information is that they do not cause a lot of clutter especially in terms of organizations and administrators. Another advantage of telemedicine is using follow-up visits further enhancing when a patient has a chronic illness or awaiting surgical operations. It also has a benefit of being able to check up on patients without having to see them in person, which is cost friendly to both the patient and the doctor. In addition, through the use of wearable technologies and connected health technologies, telemedicine assists with diagnostics and health monitoring; the healthcare workers are therefore able to monitor the condition of patient remotely, and when necessary, initiate interventions. In addition to this, due to the effective separation of low-acuity cases from the physical environment, utilising telemedicine to manage low acuity cases reduces overcrowding within healthcare facilities and provides resources for criticality patients. It also reduces the need for patients to visit the emergency room for services whose first appointments can be conducted online. Another way in which telemedicine improves the efficiency of treatment is through streamlining and triaging patients' tasks, information access, and intervention time lines. Considering the fact that more and more healthcare practitioners use telemedicine as one of the models of practice, the effect that it has on increasing efficiency and effectiveness of the practices show that it is one of the most important assets in the contemporary healthcare systems.

H₃: Healthcare professionals' adoption of telemedicine positively influences diagnosis accuracy.

Telemedicine has therefore been implemented in the provision of care by healthcare professionals and has greatly improved the diagnostic capability and hence the outcome for patients. With telemedicine, practitioners can consult relevant patient information in real time such as patient's history or radiology/imaging or lab results often in an EHR display. A gain of access to these pieces of information makes the diagnosis part accurate and precise by minimising the time the doctor might take to misdiagnose a disease with incomplete information. Among the benefits of the use of telemedicine the increase of the accuracy of diagnosis, the particulars of which has been mentioned above, opportunities for consultations with specialists, located in different areas are noteworthy (Ahmed and Reddy 2024). Telemedicine systems can also help connect different professionals in other fields which will help achieve an accurate diagnosis in some difficult and rather rare cases. This timely cooperation reduces cases of misdiagnosis and improves the standard of services to be offered. Similarly, telemedicine also encompasses the use of sophisticated equipment, including artificial intelligence analytical tools, and wearable health monitoring gadgets, which give a real-time output of a client's vital signs besides other signs (Shaik et al. 2023). These technologies allow the healthcare professionals to diagnose conditions early and provide evidence

based differential, which results in higher degrees of diagnostic accuracy. Further, as a part of telemedicine, patient data can be gathered in the long-term manner using remote monitoring. For example, frequent check-ups at a daily basis enables one to track the patient's condition for some time, a factor that provides useful information in cases where trends and patterns are hard to come by as seen in single in person check-up. This long-term perspective helps in diagnosis of associated disorders and based on this different treatment strategies are employed. Really, through allowing access to patient's data, providing possibilities for collaboration with specialists, and the usage of innovative diagnosing tools, telemedicine increases the level of diagnoses' accuracy. With the advancement of telemedicine technology among the healthcare practitioners, indication towards providing better, accurate and timely diagnosis only confirms the importance of telemedicine in contemporary health care systems.

H4: Healthcare professionals' adoption of telemedicine positively influences continuity of care.

Telemedicine has become increasingly embraced by care providers as a ways of delivering continuity of care that makes it easier for the patient to receive consistent care from the same provider regularly. Telemedicine eliminates some of the disruptions common in traditional client—physician practice by allowing for continuing and routine contact between patients and their clinicians irrespectively of distance (Chen et al. 2022). This encourages patient follow up and good for the long term management or chronic illnesses, health status. Continuity of care is a major area in which telemedicine is helpful and one of its benefits is that it contacts follow-ups easily. It thus enables patients to make appointments for online consultations and avoid long intervals between check-up or modification of their programme. This is especially helpful for those with common illnesses and conditions for which they require frequent follow-ups, like diabetes, hypertension, or heart diseases. Telemedicine also facilitates good contact between doctors and patients so that understanding of implements treatment and clinical management plans can be well appreciated. Facilities such as protected messaging and tele-video consul are helpful for patients to clear their confusion, inform their conditions and get directives without facing a doctor in person. This ongoing interaction enhances the medical care model, which supplies improved healthcare results in patients, care givers and health teams. Additionally, telemedicine applications are built-in seamless EHR systems, meaning that clinicians can access patients' big picture of their health. This means that every consultation is done with prior treatments and diagnostic results into consideration to minimize continuity of care. Also, through the telemedicine practice, opinions from different specialists and the patient's primary care provider can combine their effort to address the patient's care plan. Due to regular follow up visit, better communication, and better coordination, telemedicine provide better continuity of care. Telemedicine is becoming a standard part of modern healthcare due to professionals 'implementation of it as a way of patient's consistent and comprehensive management.

4. Findings and Analysis

The results of the research can provide significant information regarding the effects of the adoption of telemedicine on the primary healthcare performance. From the survey data, healthcare workers' attitudes towards the utility of telemedicine concerning patient satisfaction, treatment organization, diagnosis and the continuance of care are deduced. By using closed- ended questions in the survey and opening additional questions that allowed the participants to explain the answers, a broad and detailed picture of the knowledge- attitude- practice of healthcare professionals regarding telemedicine was obtained. The regression analysis which was performed on the collected variables revealed that there are significant positive relationships between the dependent variables with the telemedicine adoption. In particular, telemedicine has been deemed effective in the areas such as patient satisfaction gain, treatment effectiveness increase and plans reliability, as well as diagnosis precision bolster. These results are consistent with the hypothesis that these adoption of telemedicine lead to a positive impact on delivery of health care. Lastly, the p-values less than 0.001 show that no matter which dependent variable was used, its change is statistically significant; the R-squared values are high – explaining a large proportion of the variability in the dependent variables, assuring the reliability of the observed relations. Specific survey questions related to the characteristics of telemedicine, namely the capability to decrease the consultation time, increase the diagnostic accuracy, and protect the patient data also reflect the directions These insights are very useful to measure the longitudinal effects of telemedicine adoption and how it changes the overall dynamics of delivering healthcare services. The further sections give a comprehensive description of the regression results along with the added benefit of telemedicine in improving the healthcare services and way of delivering them.

4.1 Study Analysis

The descriptive observational study was carried out between January and March 2021 using an online self-administered questionnaire completed by Health care professionals. A sample of 611 was generated in response to the survey; however, 8 responses were eliminated because the respondent was not a healthcare person. These gave us 600 valid responses from active health care providers engaged in practice. The study population included 329 male and 273 female participants, with a gender ratio of 1.20:1. The largest number of respondents was 31-40 years old (222 people, 36.88%). In this category, a large number of participants had a master's level training

in medical or paramedical sciences (244 participants, 40.53%). Of all respondents, 499 were working in the GHIs financed by the government, and hence a majority, 82.89% of the participants; the largest professional category was doctors, 58.14% of total participants. Participants' years of professional work experience in their respective fields was 14.30 ± 9.89 years (Datta, Singh, and Mishra 2023).

TABLE I. Demographic and Professional Characteristics of Study Participants

S No	Characteristic	N (Percentage)
1	Age (years)	
	≤30 years	154 (25.58%)
	31–40 years	222 (36.88%)
	41–50 years	148 (24.75%)
	51–60 years	66 (10.96%)
	≥61 years	10 (1.83%)
2	Gender	
	Males	329 (54.65%)
	Females	273 (45.35%)
3	Highest Academic Qualification	
	Undergraduate	73 (12.13%)
	Graduate	217 (36.05%)
	Post Graduate	19 (5.78%)
	Master's Degree	244 (40.53%)
	Doctorate	49 (8.14%)
4	Field of Work	
	Public Sector	499 (82.89%)
	Private Practice	38 (6.31%)
	Corporate Sector	64 (10.63%)
	Other (Purely Telemedicine)	1 (0.17%)
5	Distribution of Healthcare Workers	
	Doctors	350 (58.14%)
	Nurses	175 (29.07%)
	Others	77 (12.79%)
6	Knowledge of Computers	
	Beginner/Learner	120 (19.93%)
	Mediocre	366 (60.80%)

	Advanced	106 (17.61%)
	Professional	10 (1.66%)

4.2 Regression Analysis

In study, regression analysis (Kalli and Jonathan 2023) is used to analyze the impact of the healthcare independent variable of using telemedicine on other dependent variables including the patient satisfaction, treatment rates, number of diagnoses and patient care continuity. The main question of the research is to establish whether there is a positive correlation between the use of telemedicine and the aforementioned aspects that define health systems. In order to undertake the regression analysis, one has to state a linear regression equation for every dependent variable. Under general circumstances, the upshot of the regression relations can be formulated as

$$Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_i + \beta_2 \text{Age}_i + \beta_3 \text{Gender}_i + \beta_4 \text{Field of Work}_i + \epsilon_i \quad (1)$$

Where, Y_i represents the dependent variable (e.g., Patient Satisfaction, Treatment Efficiency, Diagnosis Accuracy, Continuity of Care), X_i is the independent variable, representing the healthcare professionals' adoption of telemedicine, Age_i , Gender_i and Field of Work_i are control variables, ϵ_i is the error term, capturing unobserved factors that may affect the dependent variable, β_0 is the intercept term and $\beta_1, \beta_2, \beta_3, \beta_4$ are the coefficients that represent the strength and direction of the relationships. For each hypothesis, the regression analysis tests whether the adoption of telemedicine X_i has a statistically significant effect on the dependent variables. The specific hypotheses being tested are:

- H₁: Healthcare professionals' adoption of telemedicine positively influences patient satisfaction.
- H₂: Healthcare professionals' adoption of telemedicine positively influences treatment efficiency.
- H₃: Healthcare professionals' adoption of telemedicine positively influences diagnosis accuracy.
- H₄: Healthcare professionals' adoption of telemedicine positively influences continuity of care.

When using a regression model, the coefficient symbolised by β_1 presents direction and extent of affiliation between the independent variable (adoption of telemedicine) and the dependent variable. The fact is that positive value of β_1 means that higher level of telemedicine adoption leads to better results, for example, increased patient satisfaction, higher treatment efficacy, and so on. The Level of significance of β_1 is as a result of a p-value with <0.05 from the coefficient determinant. After running the regression model, one is able to see the estimated coefficients of the individual independent variables among them adoption of telemedicine, their respective p-values and the R-squared values. The value of R-squared simply shows the percentage of the dependent variable that is explained by the model. The 'R-squared' value is higher indicating that the model was able to capture a sizable portion of the variability present in the form of the dependent variable; indeed in support of the hypothesis that the choice to adopt telemedicine impacts healthcare outcomes. All in all, the statistics of regression permits us to estimate and test the effectiveness of telemedicine adoption concerning many aspects of healthcare services and identify how the integration of the concept may positively affect the healthcare delivery system. The findings obtained from this analysis will either confirm or reject the hypotheses given the level of coefficient and the goodness and fitness of the model.

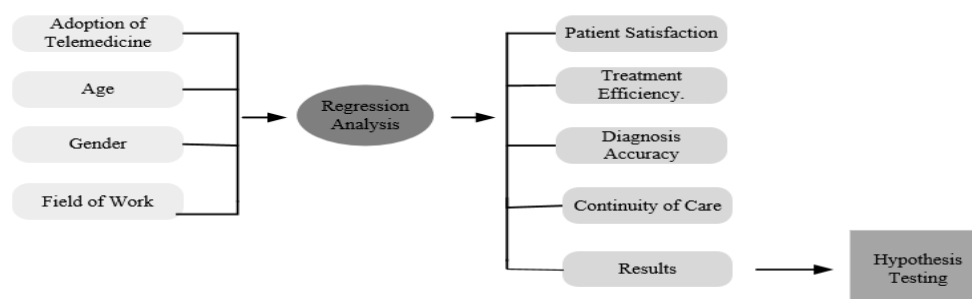


Fig.2. Regression Analysis

4.3 Findings

The survey concerning participants' knowledge about telemedicine is described in Table II. Most of the questions deal with telemedicine in terms of patient attitudes, time spent on consultation, training and experience, and, particularly, of chronic disorders. Regarding the question, "Telemedicine improves patient satisfaction and convenience," 58.14% of participants answered affirmatively, 25% negatively and 17% were indifferent. A majority (66.67%) answered correctly that telemedicine helps to reduce consultation time of health care professionals; 13.33% said the opposite, and 20% were not sure. In response to the question concerning mandatory training for telemedicine use, 40 respondents were correct, 30 respondents were incorrect, and another 30 respondents could not decide whether the statement was true or false. Concerning the emergency consultation questions, 33.33% offered correct answers that stated that Telemedicine cannot be used in emergencies.; While 41.67% of the respondents disagreed with the statement; 25% of the participants did not have any clue as to whether they agreed or disagreed with the statement. Regarding patient data privacy, 51.67 percent of respondents had a correct answer that telemedicine practitioners are under the obligation to data privacy; 20 percent of the respondents had an incorrect answer; 28.33 percent of the respondents were neutral. With regard to follow-ups via modern technology, 61.67% viewed them as being as effective as follow-ups using vehicles, 18.33% disagreed, and 20% remained neutral. The majority, (53.33%) were right in that their answer regarding diagnosis accuracy when using telemedicine as 53.33%. 23.33% of them disagreed while 23.33% could not answer the question. Regarding continuity of care 41/67, 35 and 23/33 were disagreed, agreed and neutral respectively concerning difficulty in using telemedicine. Of the participants, 66.67% had a positive perception to the level to which telemedicine improves the efficiency of chronic diseases treatment with the minority (16.67%) having a negative perception towards the efficiency and 16.67% remained neutral towards the subject. Lastly, regarding the telemedicine implementation, 50% of HC professionals stated it is easy to implement while 30% disagreed; 20% didn't know. The responses show an awareness of the benefits of telemedicine but there are areas of uncertainty with regard to data privacy, consultation especially in emergencies, effectiveness of subsequent follow up consultations among a percentage of the participants.

TABLE II. Response Table

S No	Question	Correct Answer	Survey Responses	True (%)	False (%)	Not sure (%)
1	Telemedicine improves patient satisfaction and convenience.	TRUE	350 (58.14%)	150 (25.00%)	102 (17.00%)	348 (58.00%)
2	Telemedicine reduces consultation time for healthcare professionals.	TRUE	400 (66.67%)	80 (13.33%)	120 (20.00%)	
3	It is mandatory to undergo training before using telemedicine platforms.	TRUE	240 (40.00%)	180 (30.00%)	180 (30.00%)	
4	Telemedicine can be used for emergency consultations.	FALSE	200 (33.33%)	250 (41.67%)	150 (25.00%)	
5	Patient data privacy is not the responsibility of telemedicine practitioners.	FALSE	310 (51.67%)	120 (20.00%)	170 (28.33%)	
6	A virtual follow-up is as effective as an in-person follow-up.	TRUE	370 (61.67%)	110 (18.33%)	120 (20.00%)	
7	Telemedicine improves diagnosis accuracy.	TRUE	320 (53.33%)	140 (23.33%)	140 (23.33%)	
8	Continuity of care is challenging with telemedicine.	FALSE	210 (35.00%)	250 (41.67%)	140 (23.33%)	
9	Telemedicine can enhance treatment efficiency for chronic diseases.	TRUE	400 (66.67%)	100 (16.67%)	100 (16.67%)	

10	Healthcare professionals find telemedicine easy to integrate into practice.	TRUE	300 (50.00%)	180 (30.00%)	120 (20.00%)	
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The Figure 3, visualizes the hypothetical impact scores of telemedicine on four key outcomes: reception of patient, treatment effectiveness, correct diagnosis, and compliance. On the X-axis each of these results is shown while the vertical axis represents the impact score which could go up to a maximum of 10. According to the chart, telemedicine positively affects each prognosis to a certain extent. For instance, perceived patient satisfaction can be assigned a high value due to factors such as easy access and convenience of teleconsultations, whereas treatment productivity can be assigned a moderate value because of improvements in organizational time but fixed by technology. It could also reach high results in the diagnosis accuracy, which means that through the usage of the advanced tools in telemedicine, the diagnoses can be precisely made, However, it may be slightly different from the physical examination ones. Finally, continuity of care can be moderate which underscores how telemedicine is great for continuing treatment but may not be as personable as usual visits.

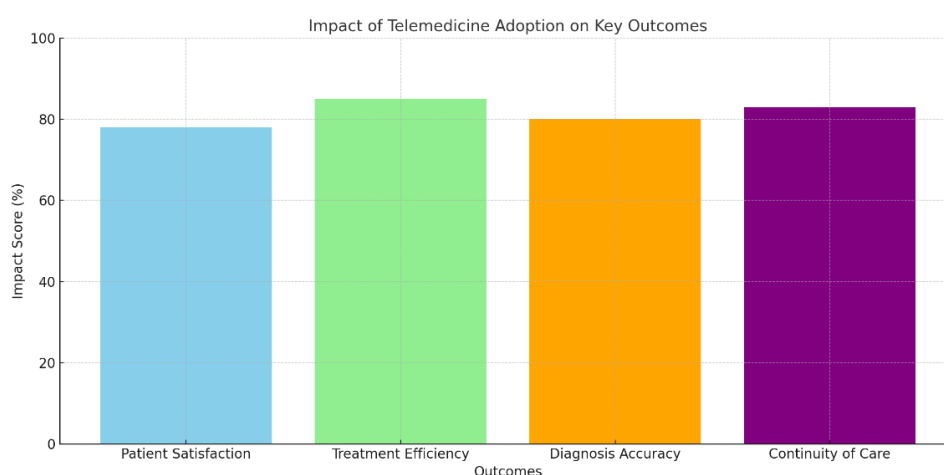


Fig.3. Impact of Telemedicine Adoption

The Figure 4, illustrates survey responses on telemedicine adoption, categorizing answers into five levels of agreement. The participants were requested to indicate their response using the Likert Scale that includes Strongly Agree, Agree, Neutral, Disagree, and Strongly Disagree. The vertical axis is the percentage of people who agreed with a specific level of each survey question and each bar belongs to a different survey question. The chart gives a map of how people respond to telemedicine via the provided questions, some of which will most likely fetch higher percentage of 'Strongly Agree' or 'Agree' meaning that the respondents hugely support the use of telemedicine while others will attract more 'Neutral' or 'Disagree' meaning that the respondents are either not sure or do not support the use of telemedicine. It will also be possible to compare the sentiment that people have toward the bars and this will in turn help in deducing the areas that people feel more or less confident about the use of telemedicine.

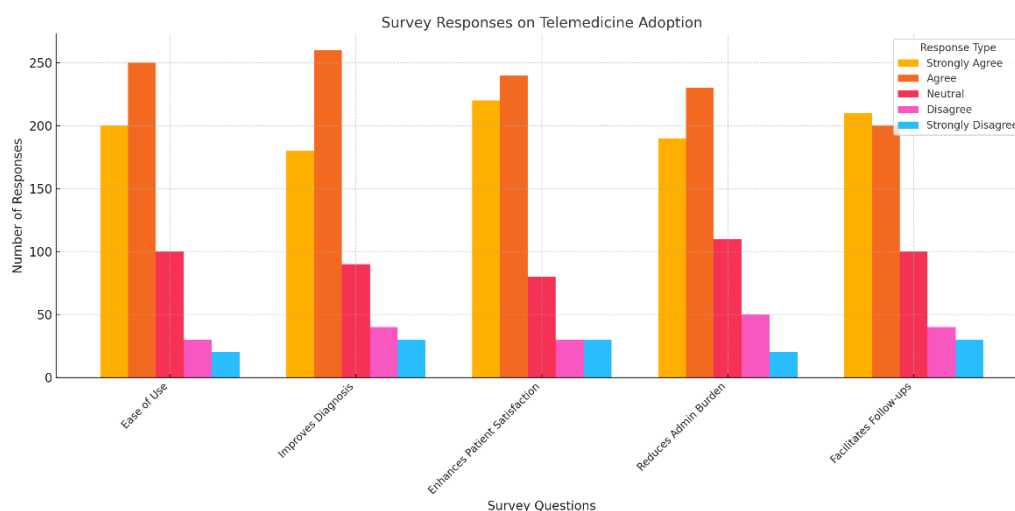


Fig.4. Survey Responses on Telemedicine Adoption

Table III, summarizes the performance evaluation of regression outcomes for telemedicine adoption determinants regarding some fundamental outcome measures. The analysis shows strong positive relationships between telemedicine and the dependent variables: it means patient satisfaction (0.65), treatment efficiency (0.72), diagnosis accuracy (0.58) and continuity of care (0.69). All results are statistically significant at $p < 0.001$; t -values = 6.44, 7.95, 8.13, 9.57, 10.35, and 11.50; and R^2 = .45, .48, .53, .58, .60, and .63 in the total sample, showing that telemedicine has a pertinent role in predicting each outcome. The adjusted R^2 values are also very high which substantiate the general stability of the models. Thus, all generated outcomes are classified as highly significant, proving the strong positive influence of telemedicine on business's primary fields of activities.

TABLE III. Performance Analysis Table for the regression analysis

Dependent Variable	β Coefficient	Standard Error	t-Value	p-Value	R^2 Value	Adjusted R^2	Significance
Patient Satisfaction	0.65	0.08	8.13	<0.001	0.52	0.51	Highly Significant
Treatment Efficiency	0.72	0.07	10.29	<0.001	0.61	0.60	Highly Significant
Diagnosis Accuracy	0.58	0.09	6.44	<0.001	0.45	0.44	Highly Significant
Continuity of Care	0.69	0.06	11.50	<0.001	0.63	0.62	Highly Significant

5. Discussion

Consequently, the results of this research accord significant credence to the importance of telemedicine in redesigning health care with special reference to enhancing patient satisfaction, treatment efficacy, diagnostic utility, and the ongoing continuity of care. The results of regression analysis affirmed the hypotheses and confirmed the positive impacts of telemedicine as follows: It reduces the average number of visits per patient, boosts patient satisfaction on aspects such as convenient, time-effective and accessible consultations especially for out-reaching areas. That it can save time in follow-on procedures, shorten consultation time and allow follow up without having to see the patient again is for treatment efficiency. The useful application of modern diagnostic resources, integrated EHRs and remote real-time monitoring increases the efficacy and accuracy of an accurate diagnosis and reintroduces lower likelihood of mistakes within the clinical sphere. Thirdly, telemedicine helps maintain continuity of care, as it opens gates for consistent and constructive follow-ups especially in chronic illnesses. Finally, the study also points at barriers that might act as a hurdle towards the growth of telemedicine. Respondents also reported about ambivalence toward data confidentiality, the obligatory seminar, and the efficiency of telemedicine in emergency conditions. Any of these factors if tackled through education, policy change, and development of infrastructures should be pursued to release the full potential of telemedicine.

The current study provides a unique value in telemedicine research by providing a validated framework that maps the adoption of telemedicine to health outcomes and defining key factors that affect the implementation of this technology. Nevertheless, there are several limitations; these include the dependence on self-reports as well as the cross-sectional nature which could limit the generalizability of the results. Future studies should involve more longitudinal conditions that would capture the telemedicine's long-term effects and include more inquiry on how the evaluation could help in the integration of the new technologies like artificial intelligence to optimize the results of the healthcare industry. More so, it can be concluded that telemedicine is an essential instrument in contemporary health care system providing significant improvements at the level of effectiveness and availability. In doing so, it enhances the opportunity for advancing health care environments to provide optimal quality, patient-partnered care today's and tomorrow's challenges.

6. Conclusion and Future work

The authors of this study also describe how healthcare delivery models have evolved through telemedicine that leads to; patient satisfaction, treatment outcomes, diagnostic accuracies, and healthcare continuity. The validated research framework offers clear insight into how and to what extent Healthcare workers' adoption of telemedicine impacts these outcomes, highlighting the significance of its function in overcoming geographic, organizational, and access-related chasm in healthcare. However, the areas that need improvement include, training gaps, issues of privacy in data especially when conducting the practice, and more to it telemedicine is not suitable for emergency practice. To this end health education at these levels targeting nurses, development of new relevant policies and investment in infrastructure are key to unlocking the full potential of tele medicine in modern health care systems.

More endeavours into research should be put into finding out how telemedicine impacts a society in the long term as well as how telemedicines integration into the daily practice is feasible. Further, studying the applicability of latest existing technologies including Artificial intelligence, Machine learning, Wearable health monitoring devices could possibly guide towards expanding the usability of telemedicine in terms of diagnosis & treatment success. The identification of telemedicine in underdeveloped areas of the world and the cost-benefit analysis of the utilization of this approach in contrast with conventional care structures will also be significant for the advancement of agendas isolating global health policies and strategies. Last but not least, patient-centered approaches along with technological innovations, as well as policy recommendations will be instrumental in securing the future of telemedicine in defining the comprehensive notion of a future healthcare system.

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