

EPREUVE ECRITE D'ANGLAIS

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Telemedicine

Telemedicine is the use of electronic information and communication technology to get healthcare you need. All you need is phone or device with internet to continue your medical care while protecting yourself and your healthcare provider from coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19), and saving much time for your businesses.

In the recent few years telemedicine has become more acceptable and is present in more than 125 countries, even though in the past, telemedicine has got challenges and some resistances despite a great potential. With COVID-19 pandemic of 2020 however, the usefulness of telemedicine and care have become more evident worldwide.

The new world order caused by COVID-19 has brought telemedicine to centre stage of our healthcare. Applicable and acceptable by the health community and industry, it is desirable and much sought after by many patients. In fact, the elegant fitness between telemedicine qualities and some of the barrier measures of COVID-19, that are social distancing, decrease of contact with health facilities, other patients and healthcare staff, has raised telemedicine to a place of honour in a world threatened by this current pandemic.

As previous pandemics have impacted humanity, comparable with wars, revolutions or economic crises, the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic is thought to make a sustained and responsible change in our behavior and attitude to shape a new mankind: 2020-n Man. The 2020-n Man may be inclined to prefer the virtual perfection of telemedicine to in-person hospital visits not only during the pandemic, but also afterward.

However, in order for telemedicine to offer true benefits, it must be fully integrated telepresence and should be used instead of in-person hospital visits, not only during the pandemic but also in daily use as much as possible. It must also be a worldwide practice, for developed countries as well as for developing ones.

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I - Comprehension Questions (14 points)

- 1) Give two (2) technological tools necessary for telemedicine. (2 points)
- 2) Find out two (2) advantages of using telemedicine, from the text. (3 points)
- 3) Enumerate from the text two (2) protective measures which make people rely on telemedicine. (4 points)
- 4) Find out in the text two (2) conditions for telemedicine to be successfully used. (5 points)

II - Essay Writing (6 points)

What can be done to improve health in your country?

Find three (3) ideas and organize them coherently in paragraph(s). (In about 100 words)
