

ECHO® PSYCH provides
primary care providers with
knowledge, decision support and
multidisciplinary mental health
consultation services through
UR Medicine. We expand the
delivery of evidence-based mental
health practices into primary care.

ECHO® PSYCH utilizes simple, widely available and inexpensive web-based videoconferencing technologies to eliminate geographic barriers and reduce disparities in healthcare delivery.



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Project ECHO® PSYCH

in Primary Care





Why ECHO® PSYCH?

Two thirds of mental health conditions present in the medical setting, while most of the specialists in mental health are found in standalone clinics or in private practice. Mental health conditions are associated with dramatic impairment in quality of life, increased mortality, substantial cost and worse medical outcomes. There is an urgent need to support primary care in providing quality mental health treatment, facilitate referral and, thereby, improve the overall health of New York State's adult population.

How it Works

TeleECHO° clinics are case-based educational experiences in which community clinicians develop "knowledge networks." Best practices are shared through a combination of short didactic presentations and case-based discussions with content experts. The clinics are held bi-weekly for 90-minute sessions. Continuing Medical Education (CME/CE) credits will be provided for each hour of participation for up to 1.5 hours per clinic attended.



Our Team



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Who is Eligible to Participate? ADM

Primary care clinicians who have an interest in mental health are welcome to join. These include physicians, physician assistants, nurse practitioners, nurses, care managers, social workers, therapists, administrators, etc.

What is Required to Participate?

- Broadband Internet connection
- A webcam supported device (including computer, tablet, smartphone, etc.)
- Time availability of 90 minutes bi-weekly to participate in TeleECHO[®] clinics
- Completion of periodic surveys evaluating practice style, knowledge and self-efficacy

ADMINISTRATORS

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