

NOVEMBER VIRTUALMED STAFF NEWSLETTER

## A lot to be thankful for!

This month of Thanksgiving, we want to recognize and show appreciation for those we have worked with this past year. All of us at VirtualMed Staff are so grateful for our valued partners and patients, and we thank you for trusting us with your virtual healthcare needs.

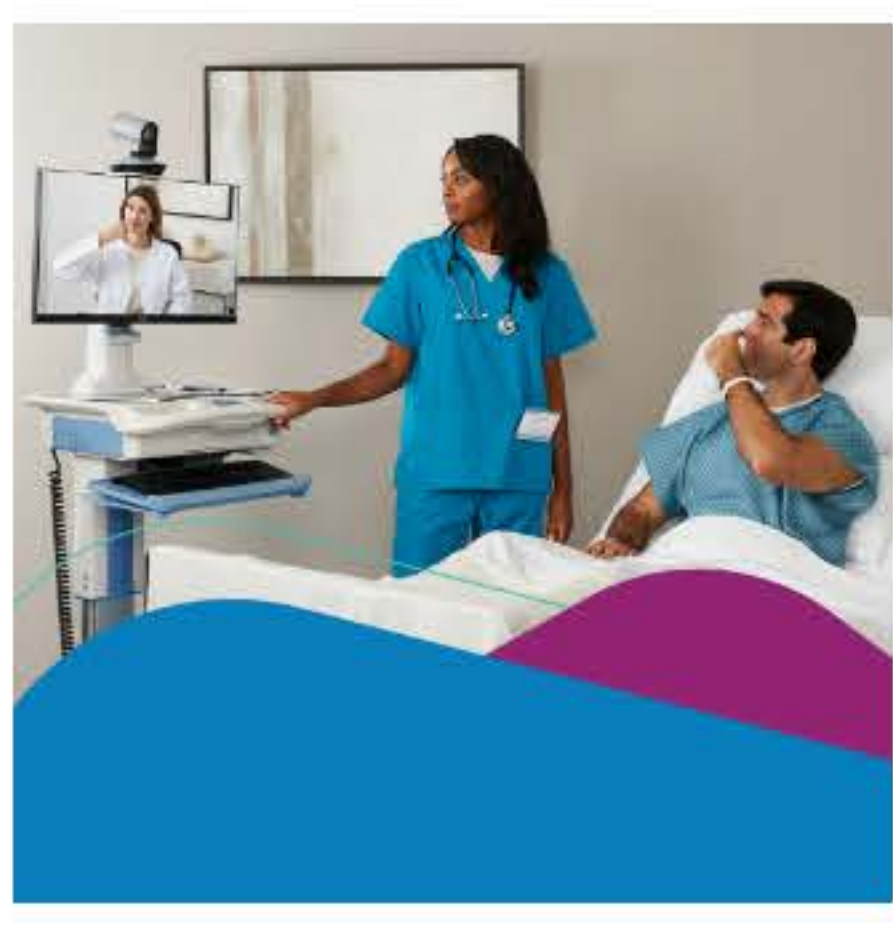


### A message from our President, Jack Williams

We try to share our gratitude daily with our associates, but as Thanksgiving is around the corner, I'm taking a slightly different approach and focusing on one of our teams. The outstanding work of our credentialing and privileging team helps us consistently get clinicians ready to work as promptly as possible. We are lucky and thankful to have them. So, for this month, I wanted to share "the why" reasons that they remain so committed to their work.

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## Check out our latest content!



### How telemedicine reduces stress for in-person providers

Practicing medicine has never been known as a stress-free profession, which is one reason we are facing a physician shortage across the country. However, telemedicine is lessening some of the burdens that come with in-person care, like optimizing schedules, delivering faster patient visits, addressing coverage gaps, and providing support for healthcare workers.

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### Nurses play an important role in implementing telemedicine programs

Nurses are on the front lines of healthcare, including when it comes to technology. As telemedicine systems are being implemented throughout the country, nurses undoubtedly are influential in the success of these programs while handling several different roles beyond patient care, from managing equipment to creating effective training protocols.

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### Answers to the 3 most common questions a telemedicine recruiter receives

With the rise in telemedicine adoption, thousands of physicians across the country are exploring opportunities to treat patients virtually. Whether it's your first-time practicing telemedicine or you're a seasoned pro, it's important to know which questions to ask and which questions to be prepared for.

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### We recognize nurses during Nurse Practitioner Week

During the second week of November, we aim to recognize the incredible nurses that go above and beyond every day. Nurses play an influential role in not only helping with overall healthcare and well-being, but in offering support and education. From all of us at VirtualMed Staff, we would like to thank you for everything that you do.

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## What's happening in telemedicine?

Telemedicine is a hot topic right now. Here are some of the latest headlines from around the healthcare industry that may be of interest.

- [Telemedicine market is projected to reach US \\$242.02 billion in 2028](#)
- [Telemedicine boosts access, decreases inequities in Montana](#)
- [Administration invests \\$110 million to improve health care for rural people in 43 states](#)

## Important dates in healthcare

Health holidays don't just exist to raise awareness about the health issues people live with every day, but also to celebrate those in the medical field who work tirelessly to improve patient care. Below are some notable holidays concerning healthcare.

**November** – National Alzheimer's Disease Awareness Month

**November** – National Diabetes Month

**November** – National Epilepsy Awareness Month

**November 2nd** – National Stress Awareness Day

**November 7th** – National Cancer Awareness Day

**November 13th – 19th** – Nurse Practitioner Week

**November 17th** – National Rural Health Day

**November 24th** – National Family Health History Day

**December 3rd** - International Day of People with Disabilities

**December 8th** - National Health Savings Account Day

**December 21st** - Look on The Bright Side Day

**December 27th** - International Day of Epidemic Preparedness