

# Tele psychiatry

Tele-psychiatry is one of the applications of the Telemedicine. This can be implemented easily keeping in view the cost, connectivity and other issues of the remote communities. Availability of the Psychiatrists is yet other factor demanding this solution of tele-psychiatry. (There is one psychiatrist for every million people in Pakistan).

Telepsychiatry project will bring increased utility of developed IT and communication infrastructure and networks to augment the health setup of the remote areas besides it will digitalize the existing healthcare delivery system thus making it productive for remote communities.

As the government is making regular efforts to incline people of Pakistan towards the latest developments of IT, this project of telemedicine will make doctors more IT literate. It will also help people understand to get IT solution for their problems.

The pilot project of tele-psychiatry to be initiated at IOP-Institute Of Psychiatry is a role model for research in telemedicine. This will duplicate at national and international level later on. as the previous projects of community health and School mental health program by IOP were well appreciated and replicated at national and international level. The previous projects of community health and school mental health by IOP were very well appreciated and were replicated at national and international level. Telemedicine is becoming a daily routine in developed countries. Pakistan, making swift progress in IT field will be example for developing countries in