Evaluation of a telepsychiatry pilot project

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Pilot project linking Alberta Hospital Ponoka and five general hospitals to evaluate feasibility and usefulness of telepsychiatry services in central Alberta.

Authors' conclusions
Information gathered during this evaluation suggests that the use of video conferencing equipment for psychiatric consultations should be considered when planning for an integrated community-based mental health service. In addition, the use of video conferencing technology should be considered for other mental health applications.

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