

Pediatrics eConsults

The eConsultBASE™ service improves access to specialist care for patients by facilitating electronic communication between Primary Care Providers (PCPs) and specialists

From June 2014 to June 2016, 367 PCPs submitted 1,064 eConsults to pediatric specialists

Median response time was 22 hours

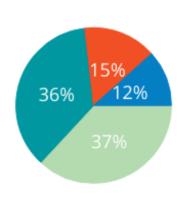




96% of cases took 20 minutes or less to complete

Frequently accessed specialty groups for younger people

% of eConsults



Referral was originally considered but avoided as a result of eConsult

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General pediatrics 37% Other* 36%

Orthopedics 15%

Psychiatry 12%

*Topics included: hematology/oncology, neurology, infectious disease, and ophthalmology



estimated indirect cost savings

per visit for a patient's family



PCPs who rated eConsult as high/very high value for patients

eConsults provided PCPs with advice for a new or additional course of action



Case Example - Dermatology



PCP contacts specialist about patient with extensive warts to both feet (~20 per foot) that began several years ago with very slow improvement. Recent blood work shows a slight lymphopenia. PCP asks if they should be worried about immune compromise and attaches images and lab test results.

Day 2

Specialist suggests possible tests, review by infectious disease/immunology, and treatment of warts via freezing or other methods that induce an inflammatory response. PCP could also consider administering the HPV vaccine to boost humoural immunity if patient has not already received it.



PCP accepts advice, closes case.

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