

# **High Acuity Care**

### Available in more hospitals with telePulmonary & critical care specialists

As inpatient hospital care is increasingly focused on patients with complex, high acuity conditions, having an intensive care unit and specialists capable of providing 24/7 critical care services is essential.

With Access TeleCare's telemedicine model, hospitals of any size can have dedicated pulmonary and critical care specialists immediately available to provide:



Comprehensive and collaborative ICU core support for critical care.



Dedicated pulmonary consultation for medical-surgical and other non-critical care patients experiencing pulmonary symptoms, such as shortness of breath.



Care for patients with pulmonary or respiratory conditions, whether in the ICU or medical-surgical units.



#### Our pulmonary and critical care specialists work with hospitals to care for patients with:

- End-stage diseases such as advanced kidney injury; myocardial infarction and congestive heart failure; multi-organ failure; respiratory failure, including the use of mechanical ventilation; and complexinfections, including meningitis, pneumonias and colitis.
- Lung-specific diseases, including pleural diseases, obstructive sleep apnea, pulmonary hypertension, interstitial lung diseases, and exacerbation of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease.

### Access TeleCare Pulmonary and Critical Care

### Building programs that work for hospitals and patients.

- Are collaborative and inclusive of on-site staff, including attending physicians, nurses, pharmacists, dietitians, and respiratory therapists.
- Work with on-site clinical teams to ensure readiness prior to implementation, and following launch, enable open dialogue.
- Are more cost-effective than creating an in-person 24/7, ICU staffing model.
- Prioritize engagement and communication with patients' families.
- When fully implemented, can provide more than 400 encounters per month.



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### The Results

- Retention of high acuity patients and fewer transfers to other facilities
- Increased ICU average daily census
- Decreased length of stay
- For patients requiring mechanical ventilation, decreased time spent ventilated
- Improved case mix index
- Increased ability to support complex surgical cases
- Reduced number of health care acquired infections
- Professional development and enhanced knowledge in state-of-the-art procedures for on-site clinicians



### **Clinical Excellence at Work**

#### **Palo Pinto General Hospital**

With the Access TeleCare partnership, we are enhancing the level of care provided at Palo Pinto General Hospital. We have 24/7, 365 days a year TelePulmonary and Critical Care coverage so we can keep more patients closer to home and improve access to care.

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