



# Video Conferencing for School-based Healthcare



Schools are charged with providing the highest quality education possible. However, students suffering from physical or mental health issues may often miss school or be disruptive in class. School-based healthcare aims to bring services directly to students in school so they can succeed in the classroom.

## Issue

## The Solution

**The need for onsite mental health screening and assessments**

Connect students to mental health professionals for initial screenings. Students can easily be assessed over video conferencing by a remote professional so timely and proper referrals can be made.

**The need for support students with chronic diseases**

Schools can bring remote specialists together with onsite healthcare providers when students have chronic diseases that need to be managed.

**The need to connect onsite primary care providers with needed specialists**

With video conferencing, speech therapists and other healthcare specialists can use video conferencing to conduct high quality remote consultations, and spend more time working with students and less time travelling between schools.

**The need for foreign language and American Sign Language interpretation services to insure the delivery of services**

Interpreters and translators can quickly join conferences powered by video conferencing to facilitate communication between schools and non- English speaking healthcare providers. Schools have convenient and cost-effective access to experts on an as-needed basis.

**The need for school-based healthcare staff to pursue professional development programs**

School nurses and other health workers can use video conferencing to participate in professional development activities without leaving campus, thus reducing travel time and expense and increasing time spent caring for students.

## WHAT ARE YOUR NEEDS?

- Do you provide speech therapists, psychologists and other speciality services your students need?
- Do you have a significant non-English speaking population that needs to communicate with your healthcare workers?
- Do you need to connect to specialists for immediate consults or chronic disease management?
- Is your school-based health center or nurse's office left unattended because staff must travel for professional development?
- Do you share healthcare professionals among

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