



Greetings students!!

I would like to introduce myself; I am Dr. Laura Culley, a Board Certified Internist and the Associate Dean of Community Engagement for the UNLV School of Medicine. I was asked to pick a topic from the field of Population Health which I felt would be of interest to you all. For our meeting on Thursday, we will be discussing the topic of ***Telemedicine; what it is, what the current trends are, and how it will affect your future as potential health care providers.***

I have chosen two articles for you to read; one gives an overall view of telemedicine, and the other describes how telemedicine has evolved and how it is currently being used, and might be used in the future. The articles are:

Kvedar, Joseph C. (2015) "***Telemedicine is Vital to Reforming Health Care Delivery.***" Harvard Business Review. October 07, 2015

<https://hbr.org/2015/10/telemedicine-is-vital-to-reforming-health-care-delivery>

***"What Are the Latest Trends In Telemedicine in 2018?"*** (2018)

Quora: Answer by U of Texas School of Biomedical Informatics.  
7/31/18.

<https://www.forbes.com/sites/quora/2018/07/31/what-are-the-latest-trends-in-telemedicine-in-2018/#5b8282f56b9e>

In class, we will be discussing your responses to the articles- and while you read them, I suggest you keep in mind the following questions:

- 1. What is telemedicine- what are its components?**
- 2. What role does/ will reimbursement play in the use of telemedicine?**
- 3. What are/ will be some of the advantages of telemedicine? How can it be used?**
- 4. What are some of the barriers that will need to be overcome to make telemedicine effective?**

I am looking forward to meeting you all on Thursday, and engaging in some lively and relevant conversation with you on the topic of Telemedicine. If you have any questions prior to class, please feel free to e mail me directly to clarify.

See you on Thursday-

Warm regards,

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