

# Mississippi Telehealth Association

## 2020 Annual Conference Agenda

8:15 a.m. [Check-in / Exhibitor viewing time](#)

9:00 a.m. [Welcome](#)  
Michael Adcock, MTHA Chair

9:15 a.m. [Opening Keynote: A View of Telehealth on the National Stage](#)  
Ann Mond Johnson, CEO, American Telemedicine Association

Telehealth and telemedicine is evolving rapidly across our nation, and the American Telemedicine Association is on the forefront with attention to innovation and provider adoption. This session will feature one of the nation's leaders in telemedicine adoption, and her viewpoint as to the current and future state of telehealth and telemedicine in the nation.

10:15 a.m. [Break](#)

10:30 a.m. [Breakout sessions](#)

### [Breakout 1 - Telehealth Training in Undergraduate Medical Education](#)

Sajani M. Tipnis MD, Loretta Jackson Williams MD, PhD, Agnieszka Sikora, Richard Summers MD

Over the last decade telemedicine has become increasingly important to the healthcare system in the United States. Similarly the training of future physicians in this field has become increasingly important. The UMMC School of Medicine has been working to develop a 4 year curriculum that will allow our graduates exposure to the practice of telemedicine and to understand how to use telemedicine in a professional manner. In addition we would like to for them to feel informed about the laws governing the use of telemedicine. The current developing curriculum hopes to accomplish these goals. Our presentation will discuss the current UMMC telehealth curriculum and goals for future content.

### [Breakout 2 - How Telehealth Can Solve the Childhood Mental Health Disparity](#)

Kristy N. Baxter, RN

Mississippi children with severe mental health needs have few options. Most children go to institutions far from home to receive the support and services they need. Mississippi ranks near the bottom of national rankings as it relates to access to care. We are looking to expand access to Telehealth in Schools. This presentation will show how telehealth can help to end this disparity.

11:30 p.m. [Break / Vendor Discovery](#)

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Lunch

### Panel Discussion: Overcoming Obstacles for Telehealth Adoption

This session will feature an open question and answer session to allow discussion on the common obstacles that Mississippi providers and facilities are facing with telehealth adoption. Panelists will include telehealth managers and stakeholders in Mississippi

1:30 p.m.

Break

1:45 p.m.

### Launching Virtual Care: Technology, Connectivity, and Security Needs for Telehealth Programs

Brian Dalhover

Health centers across the country are increasingly embracing telehealth and virtual care services to expand access to critical care and overcome persistent clinical workforce shortages. However, insufficient connectivity, personnel constraints, and cybersecurity vulnerabilities are often a barrier to implementing a thriving telehealth program. During this session, we'll focus on the key technology and network infrastructure requirements health centers must have in place before telehealth implementation. Specifically, we'll provide an in-depth look at network connectivity guidelines, including how to optimize Internet speeds and Wi-Fi connections for connected care environments, and best practices for cybersecurity, data privacy, HIPAA compliance, and risk management.

2:45 p.m.

### From the Couch to the Camera – Evolution of Mental Healthcare Delivery

Ryan Osterhaus

From dreams and ink blots to neuroimaging and pharmacogenetics, the last 75 years has been a period of rapid evolution in healthcare delivery models, especially in the area of mental health. Advances in our understanding of brain chemistry and neuroanatomy have often outpaced our ability to effectively deliver services to populations in desperate need of mental healthcare. Modern technology, including improved telehealth platforms and creative uses of social media, offers emerging paradigms for delivering high quality mental health services wherever, and whenever, they are needed. This session will review the history of mental healthcare delivery models over the last 75 years, explore how advances in technology have made healthcare delivery more accessible and effective, and discuss emerging paradigms for improving the patient/provider relationship.

3:45 p.m.

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