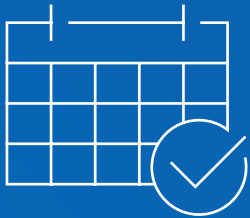


Top drivers for fiber connectivity in rural healthcare



Technology touches every aspect of healthcare delivery — reliable and secure connectivity in the patient care setting is non-negotiable.



Booking appointments



Electronic health records



Imaging



Telehealth

But rural providers are unsatisfied



10% Only 10% of rural healthcare providers report they are “extremely satisfied” with their current network connectivity.¹

The shift to fiber

More rural providers are turning to the high-speed, secure and reliable connections of fiber-based networks. The top drivers are:²



87%
Internet access



80%
Large file transmission



79%
Exchange of electronic health records



64%
Patient satisfaction solutions



59%
Voice services



55%
Real-time remote examination, consultation and monitoring

Don't get left behind

Learn more about how rural healthcare providers seek to improve connectivity and enhance patient access and care in this [white paper](#).

Sources:

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