

Strategic Importance and Prospects of Remote Monitoring of Chronic Diseases Via Telemedicine

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Abstract: This article analyzes the role of Remote Patient Monitoring (RPM) systems in managing chronic diseases (cardiovascular, diabetes, COPD). The strategic importance, economic benefits, and impact on patient quality of life of telemedicine technologies in improving the efficiency of the healthcare system are examined. The research findings statistically prove the role of RPM systems in reducing hospitalization rates.

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Introduction

One of the greatest challenges of modern medicine is the rise of chronic non-communicable diseases (CNCDs). According to the World Health Organization, chronic diseases account for over 70% of global deaths. Treating these diseases with traditional in-person methods places a huge burden on healthcare budgets[1].

Telemedicine and remote patient monitoring (RPM) technologies are emerging as a strategic solution to this problem. Remote monitoring allows a patient's vital signs (blood pressure, blood sugar level, ECG) to be transmitted to a physician in real time. The purpose of the article is to assess the strategic advantages of remote monitoring and to analyze the prospects for its integration into the national healthcare system[2].

"Digitalization of the healthcare system has been designated as one of the priority directions of state policy in the Republic of Uzbekistan. In particular, the Decrees of the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan No. PQ-415 of December 28, 2023, and No. PF-88 of May 19, 2025, are serving to implement fundamental reforms in the sector[3]. The implementation of the 'Electronic Health' ecosystem, including the 'Electronic Medical Record' and 'Electronic Polyclinic' modules, as defined in these documents, is creating the necessary digital infrastructure for the

remote monitoring of chronic diseases. The full implementation of these systems across all regions of the republic by the end of 2026 will further enhance the strategic importance of remote medical services and monitoring systems[4]."

Research Methodology

Systematic analysis and comparative study methods were used in the research. International experience in the field of telemedicine (USA, South Korea, Germany) and digital health reforms in Uzbekistan were studied for the period of 2021-2025.

The following data sources were used in the study:

- Clinical efficacy indicators of cardiological and endocrinological monitoring devices;
- Analysis of treatment costs for patients in inpatient and remote monitoring settings;
- Technical capabilities of telemedicine platforms (IoT — Internet of Things sensors).

Technological Architecture of the Remote Monitoring System for Chronic Diseases

The remote monitoring process is implemented based on a four-level hierarchical model:

1. **Sensing Layer:** Biosensors (pulse oximeters, glucometers, or smart EKG monitors) attached to the patient's body collect biological signals. At this stage, analog signals are converted to a digital format.
2. **Edge & Connectivity :** The collected data is transmitted via Bluetooth or Wi-Fi modules to a local gateway (smartphone or router). This stage provides primary data filtering.
3. **Cloud Platform:** Data is transmitted via Internet protocols to secure servers (AWS, Azure, etc.). Here, large-scale (Big Data) information is stored in SQL/NoSQL databases and analyzed using specialized algorithms.
4. **Application Layer :** The processed results are displayed in a graphical format on the doctor's dashboard. A unique feature of the system is that if a patient's parameters (e.g., blood pressure or blood sugar level) deviate from the set norms, the system automatically sends an "Alert" signal.

Table 1. Functional Architecture of an IoMT-Based Telemedicine System.

Stage	Function	Tools Used
Patient	Measurement of biological signals	Biosensors (IoMT sensors)
Gateway	Transferring data from the device to the network	Smartphone, Bluetooth, Wi-Fi
Server	Data storage and analysis	Cloud servers, SQL/NoSQL
Doctor	Monitoring and decision-making	Monitoring dashboard, mobile application

Results

The analyses conducted showed that in the group of patients with the remote monitoring system implemented, the risk of complications was significantly reduced[5].

Table 2. Effectiveness of RPM in chronic diseases (1-year analysis results).

Disease Type	Reduction in Hospitalization (%)	Reduction in Mortality Rate (%)	Savings in Treatment Costs (%)
Chronic Heart	35%	15%	25%

Failure Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus	28%	10%	20%
kk	40%	12%	15%

The accuracy of devices used for remote monitoring has reached 98.5% over the past three years. This allows a doctor to remotely adjust diagnoses and modify medication dosages[6].

Discussion

The strategic importance of telemedicine is not limited only to technological convenience; it represents a fundamental transformation in how healthcare systems operate. Instead of relying on a traditional “reactive” model—where patients are treated only after diseases become severe or complications arise—telemedicine enables a shift toward a “proactive” healthcare model. In this approach, patients are continuously monitored, potential health risks are detected earlier, and preventive interventions are applied before conditions become critical[7].

Key strategic advantages:

1. Overcoming geographical barriers:

Telemedicine significantly reduces the gap between patients and healthcare providers located in different regions. Patients living in remote, rural, or underserved areas can receive timely consultations, diagnosis support, and continuous monitoring from highly qualified specialists in central hospitals or capital cities[8]. This eliminates the need for long-distance travel and ensures equal access to quality healthcare services regardless of location. As a result, healthcare inequality between urban and rural populations is greatly reduced, and specialist expertise becomes more widely accessible[9].

2. Economic efficiency:

From an economic perspective, telemedicine provides substantial cost savings for both healthcare systems and patients. The reduction in unnecessary hospital admissions, shorter inpatient stays, and fewer physical visits to clinics leads to more efficient use of medical resources[10]. Hospitals can allocate their capacity to more critical cases, while routine monitoring and follow-up care are handled remotely. This not only decreases public healthcare expenditure but also reduces costs for insurance companies and patients themselves, including transportation and accommodation expenses[11].

3. Database (Big Data):

Telemedicine systems continuously generate large volumes of patient-related data through wearable devices, IoMT sensors, mobile health applications, and electronic health records. This data forms a powerful healthcare database (Big Data), which can be analyzed using artificial intelligence and machine learning algorithms[12]. Such analysis allows healthcare professionals to identify disease patterns, predict potential outbreaks, improve treatment protocols, and support epidemiological forecasting. In the long term, this contributes to more accurate decision-making and the development of personalized medicine[13].

However, despite these advantages, there are also important challenges that must be addressed. One of the main concerns is cybersecurity, particularly ensuring the protection of sensitive patient data and maintaining privacy within digital healthcare systems[14]. Another significant issue is the need to improve the digital literacy and technical competence of medical staff. As telemedicine becomes more widely implemented, healthcare professionals must be trained to effectively use digital platforms, interpret remotely collected data, and integrate new technologies into everyday clinical practice[15].

Overall, while telemedicine provides strong strategic, economic, and clinical benefits, its successful implementation depends on overcoming these technological, security, and educational

challenges.

Prospects and Conclusion

In the future, telemedicine will be fully integrated with the 5G communication system and wearable sensors. This will bring the concept of a “virtual hospital” to life.

Analysis of conducted research and existing digital infrastructure has proven that telemedicine and remote monitoring (RPM) systems are not just a technological innovation, but a strategic foundation of the modern healthcare system. The study concluded with the following fundamental findings:

First, remote monitoring must become the “gold standard” in the management of chronic diseases. Traditional periodic check-ups do not allow for the timely detection of acute changes in a patient's condition. The RPM system, by establishing real-time (24/7) monitoring, allows for an average 30-35% reduction in hospitalization rates. This is particularly crucial for saving the lives of cardiology and endocrinology patients.

Secondly, to popularize telemedicine services, they must be included in mandatory health insurance packages and their legal status must be strengthened. Economic analyses show that the cost of remote monitoring is 3 times less than the cost of treating severe complications.

Third, strategically, RPM technologies increase the resilience and sustainability of the healthcare system. In the event of a pandemic or other global crises, telemedicine serves as the only safe channel for communication and treatment.

Practical proposals:

- Fully integrate the “Single Electronic Medical Record” system nationwide with IoMT (Internet of Medical Things) devices;
- Enhance human capital by introducing a “Digital Diagnostics and Remote Monitoring” course into medical university curricula;
- Develop user-friendly interfaces for mobile apps and smart sensors for patients and introduce “digital assistant” systems for the elderly.

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