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## AT&T wins \$27 million telehealth contract

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AT&T's \$27 million contract to provide Managed Network Service to the University of California's California Telehealth Network (CTN) is another sign that service providers are finding a new revenue stream from the healthcare industry's telehealth drive.

Funded through the FCC's Rural Health Care Pilot Program, the CTN will work with AT&T to build an 860-site statewide network that will connect smaller hospitals and clinics to larger hospitals, specialists and experts. Set on extending advanced healthcare technology to patients in rural and urban areas of California, CTN will receive \$22.1 million from the FCC over three years with additional funding coming from other collaborators such as the California Emerging Technology Fund.

Telcos continue to get active in the telehealth market segment. Along with AT&T, other notable developments include Qwest's contract to provide network connectivity for <u>Colarado's Telehealth Network</u> [1] and more recently Optimum Lightpath securing a contract to <u>provide</u> [2] Interactive Patient Care (IPC) to the Children's Hospital at Montefiore (CHAM) in New York via a partnership with GetWellNetwork.

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