



COMPLIMENTARY WEBINAR

## LEVERAGING TELEMEDICINE TO FULLY-STAFF RURAL HOSPITALS THREE MODELS THAT WORK!

Thursday, December 10, 11-11:45 AM CST

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### DESCRIPTION

Rural telemedicine adoption continues to grow – particularly by connecting patients at home to a provider – yet there is significant untapped potential for rural hospitals to leverage telemedicine to drive down costs and improve acute care delivery. In this webinar, you'll hear from Dr. Brian Carpenter and Dr. Steve Ward about three successful tele-hospitalist coverage models that can stabilize staffing, reduce recruiting costs, support advanced practice providers, and positively impact sub-specialist care.

### LEARNING OBJECTIVES

At the end of the webinar, participants will understand:

- The role of a tele-hospitalist and what care a tele-hospitalist can provide
- Three unique tele-hospitalist staffing models that can support rural hospital coverage
- What factors should be considered when evaluating a tele-hospitalist model
- The positive clinical and financial outcomes achieved through tele-hospitalist coverage
- The benefits for recruiting, retention, and sub-specialist care that can be achieved

### WHO SHOULD ATTEND

CMOs, CFOs, CEOs, Chief Hospitalists, Human Resource Officers

### PRESENTERS

#### **Brian Carpenter, MD, National Medical Director, Sound Telehealth Services, Sound Physicians**

Dr. Carpenter has a proven record of success in hospital medicine leadership, administration, and physician development technology. As a regional medical director for Sound Hospital Medicine, Dr. Carpenter developed and piloted many innovative programs to reduce readmissions and improve patient outcomes. In 2018, Dr. Carpenter helped launch Sound Telemedicine, which now includes acute and post-acute programs in nearly 100 facilities nationwide. He is a Society of Hospital Medicine Senior Fellow and is a member of the American Telemedicine Association, American Association of Physician Leadership, and the American College of Physicians.

#### **Stephen M Ward, MD, Chief Medical Director, Telehealth Services, Sound Physicians**

Dr. Stephen Ward received his medical degree from Yale University School of Medicine and completed his Internal medicine residency at Maine Medical Center. A graduate of the U.S. Coast Guard Academy, Dr. Ward served as a Lieutenant in the Coast Guard for five years before pursuing a medical career. He holds a board-certification in Internal Medicine and has spent the last ten years working as both a hospitalist and primary care physician. Dr. Ward joined Sound Physicians in 2019 and has been instrumental in successfully deploying tele-hospitalist programs across the country, including the rapid launch of a 100% dedicated COVID-19 hospital in the Baltimore – Washington D.C. area.