



From the Editor

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Innovations in Care Delivery (IICD) highlights articles that feature advances in care delivery in our *Editor's Blog*, *Editor's Top Five Recommended Reading*, and *Latest Articles* sections. Interviews with leaders in the field of health services research are included periodically.

Editor's Blog

Recent IICD blogs have discussed issues relating to the COVID-19 pandemic including sprints and marathons: lessons from superstorm Sandy to COVID-19, the aging neurologist in the time of COVID-19, and stroke assessments in the COVID-19 era. Our goal is to highlight health services research articles published in *Neurology*[®] or *Neurology Clinical Practice*[®] and to give opinions by experts in the field.

Editor's Top Five Recommended Reading and Latest Articles Sections

Check out our collection of *Neurology's* articles related to Innovations in Care Delivery [NPub.org/innovations](https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC7444444/).

In a commentary in *Neurology*, Brownlee et al.¹ discussed issues related to treating multiple sclerosis during the COVID-19 pandemic. The authors addressed delivery of care using telemedicine and specifically a previous study on the accuracy of measures of disability using telemedicine compared with the office setting. They also mentioned other ways to maintain low exposure care including home delivery of medications, delaying follow-up MRI scans and routine laboratory monitoring, oral corticosteroids, and less frequent dosing of infusions.

In addition, check out the article by French et al.² and a large coalition of multinational specialists to develop consensus recommendations on care for people with epilepsy while avoiding visits to medical facilities during the novel coronavirus pandemic. The consensus recommendations include focusing on home-based care (e.g., emphasize most seizures last less than 2–3 minutes and do not require emergency medical services), minimizing of the risk of seizure exacerbation through adherence and ensuring a regular supply of medication, and postponing neuroimaging and EEG unless required to address urgent diagnostic or therapeutic issues. The coalition also provides links to helpful information for patients and providers.

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