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### Digital transformation role in enhancing the health sector in Egypt

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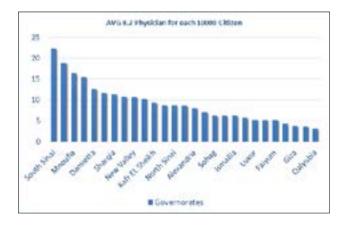
**Statement of the Problem:** The ever-changing characteristics of technologies have been used in making more progress towards the national strategies and vision as well as the Sustainable Development Goals' progress in Egypt. In the health sector, one chief step has been made in narrowing the geographic gap and including the most marginalized groups living on the frontiers through the telemedicine program. The program aimed at harnessing ICTs to enhance the medical services provided to rural population.

**Purpose of this Paper:** To identify key steps needed to convince mindsets of beneficiaries and decision makers in order to transform a successful pilot project into a national initiative in order to bridging inequality gaps among all citizens.

Methodology & Theoretical Orientation: Analysis studies, surveys and focus groups discussions.

**Findings:** Offering remote telemedicine diagnostic services have been a major asset to such communities with respect to adapting new modalities that most fit each region the way that it has been adapted by the president to be a national initiative to cover all governorates across Egypt. The most success factor is to focus on efficiency in the model more than quantity and to continuously monitor and evaluate it to be expanded at the national levels. On this regard, parallelly open dialogues with the regulators and decision-makers to reform the systems by governance of different sectors in accordance with the international standards and conventions.

**Conclusion & Significance:** The future vision of the project shall expand the model into the MENA region, through the creation of strategic partnerships with major international health consultation institutions.



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