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Content	<p>Winter of 2019 marked the beginning of one of the most dreaded pandemic in the world. Within a span of few months SARS CoV-2, as a result of its humungous capacity of transmission reached every nick and corner of the world. This lead global reformation especially in the health care infrastructure and approach to patient care. Developing countries like India began their lockdown in March 2020 but it lead to a lot of hazard to the patient care facilities. Amidst the lockdown, the ones to avail eye care facility were only those with Ophthalmic emergencies. Patients suffering from diseases like chronic uveitis, glaucoma, etc requiring a long term care suffered the most. After few months, teleconsultation came to the rescue. We started teleconsultation and as the lockdown was slowly lifted the physical outpatient care began. Teleconsulting aids in segregation of patients between those that can be treated without physical examination and those requiring the same. We started physical OPD on 15th June at All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Jodhpur and a majority of patients are benefitted from the same. After initial teleconsultation those requiring physical evaluation are given appointments to ensure social distancing. Teleconsulting has surely aided in curbing the risk of transmission.</p>