

A Broadband Initiative from the Iowa Communications Network

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# TECHNOLOCY



# Coping with coronavirus puts technology to the test across lowa

lowans are downloading and uploading data at significantly higher rates in a new normal requiring them to work, learn, shop and seek medical help from home.

Source: Sioux City Journal

#### Technology Week 2020

During Technology Week, Iowa companies, schools, students, scholars, educators, and technology industry professionals will celebrate their accomplishments and achievements. Source: Technology Iowa

#### Can technology help ensure social distancing at work?

Combined with more testing, social distancing is essential to preventing the spread of COVID-19. Source: We Are Iowa Local 5 News

# Cybersecurity

#### Congress targets COVID cyber fraud

The number of daily complaints to their Internet Crime Complaint Center has tripled and sometimes quadrupled over the past four months. Source: Federal Computer Week

# Education

#### Iowa receives \$26.2 million in emergency education relief to expand broadband access

The funds will focus on providing and expanding broadband access and improving access to technology include providing Wi-Fi hotspots and devices. Source: Washington County Pilot-Tribune Enterprise

#### The Best College For Cyber Security In The U.S 2020

ISU's Information Assurance Center was one of the first seven to be certified by the NSA. Courses include information warfare, cryptography, and network security. Source: University Magazine

Telepresence' Can Help Bring Advanced Courses to Schools that Don't Offer Them

If a high school doesn't offer advanced coursework, having students take such a class remotely

offers a promising alternative. Source: Center for Digital Education

# **Digital Divide**

#### lowa's digital divide is undeniable thanks to coronavirus

Many in the state don't have the bandwidth, and some don't have home internet access at all. So what's the solution?

Source: The Gazette

#### As Virus Keeps Kids From Schools, New Figures Show Millions Lack Home Internet

A California education official said it would take at least \$500 million to get students there the computers and internet access they need.

Source: Route Fifty

#### How San Rafael, Calif., Built a Wi-Fi Network During a Pandemic

Officials were able to build a mesh Wi-Fi network to connect students in the dense Canal Neighborhood with the help of volunteer expertise and funding from across sectors. Source: Government Technology

### Healthcare

#### Telemedicine Works Great When Patients Have Access

COVID-19 has transformed telemedicine into a widely utilized option. However, if patients don't have computers, Internet or don't speak English, it doesn't work. Source: GOVERNING

#### As Washington Reopens, Telemedicine May Be New Normal

Now that telehealth has been rolled out across the nation and patients & clinicians have found the experience useful, it is unlikely that virtual doctor visits will be temporary. Source: Government Technology

#### Telehealth will remain post-pandemic, experts say

Experts say there's no going back now that hospitals & doctor's offices are investing in the tech, payers are reimbursing for it and consumers have gotten a taste. Source: Healthcare Dive

#### Training providers remotely helps Genesis Health System safely expand telehealth visits

When COVID-19 hit Genesis Health System, IT staff found creative ways to remotely train nearly 200 providers on telehealth technology in just 2 weeks. Source: Cerner

Pivoting Patient Access to Care Technology to Telehealth

When COVID-19 struck, the California-based MemorialCare had it pivot its patient access to care technology strategy over to telehealth. Source: Patient Engagement HIT

# **Public Safety**

#### **Ohio County Jail Switches to Virtual Inmate Visits**

The off-site video visitation will allow the convenience of visiting an inmate from the comfort of your own home.

Source: Government Technology

#### Minnesota Sheriff's Office Launches Communication App

The Rock County, Minn., Sheriff's Office launched its new smartphone app, which is a tool designed to communicate with the public about local law enforcement activities. Source: Government Technology

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