

The University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences is expanding training for people to deliver care through telemedicine. UAMS announced today (Tues) it plans to open five satellite training centers for its South Central Telehealth Resource Center. The center's director Dr. Hari Eswaran (ESS-wuh-RON) says training is available for people from a wide variety of backgrounds.

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Trainees will have the option of in-person classes at the five satellite centers, or they can also receive virtual training from instructors based in Little Rock. Eswaran (ESS-wuh-RON) says students will learn about specific insurance regulations, as well as what equipment is needed to start a telehealth practice...

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"...to learn about."

More than \$1.8 million dollars in grant funding for the project comes from the U.S. Department of Agriculture and the federal Health Resources and Services Administration. The satellite centers will be located in Fayetteville, Pine Bluff, Lake Village, Helena-West Helena and Memphis, Tennessee.

Healthcare providers in Arkansas and west Tennessee have a new resource to learn best practices for offering care through telemedicine. The University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences announced today (Tues) it's opening five satellite training centers, with four locations in Arkansas and one in Memphis. Dr. Hari Eswaran (ESS-wuh-RON), director of the UAMS South Central Telehealth Resource Center, says having more providers trained in telemedicine will help build a hybrid model of virtual and in-person healthcare.

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"...peak COVID period."

Eswaran (ESS-wuh-RON) says trainees will receive instruction on specific equipment used in telehealth, as well as etiquette, cybersecurity and insurance billing practices. In addition to the location in Memphis, centers will be in Pine Bluff, Fayetteville, Lake Village and Helena-West Helena.