# Digital Health Via Servicenow During Covid -19

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#### **Abstract:**

This thesis investigates the critical role of ServiceNow in providing digital health solutions during the COVID-19 epidemic. As healthcare businesses confronted unprecedented problems, the importance of effective digital procedures became clear. ServiceNow's platform included critical solutions for crisis management, employee safety, and patient involvement. This article examines how ServiceNow applications like as contact tracing and workplace safety helped to facilitate effective pandemic responses. By studying case studies and industry consequences, this study emphasizes the importance of digital transformation in healthcare and its implications for future health problems.

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# **COVID-19 Global deployment:**

The COVID-19 pandemic has expedited the global deployment of digital health technologies. Healthcare firms were forced to adapt quickly to solve virus-related difficulties such as patient management, resource allocation, and personnel safety. ServiceNow emerged as a crucial actor in this shift, providing a suite of tools that aim to optimize workflows and improve communication. This thesis will look at how ServiceNow supported digital health initiatives during the pandemic and the broader ramifications for the healthcare industry. [1]

Currently, research on digital health design methodologies has garnered interest due to the information gained through iterative adaptation and implementation in response to clinician and patient feedback [10,11,12]. As a result, in this paper, we make a significant contribution to the field by providing the first comprehensive review of applied co- design methodologies in Digital Health Services. In reality, our contribution seeks to draw on the study to elicit practical concerns for healthcare innovation as well as the actual effects of existing innovations when implemented in practice. Therefore, this publication describing the DHS design and development in collaboration with healthcare staff and patients using AI, IoT, and 5G technologies can be consulted by healthcare innovators, applied health science researchers, doctors, and quality improvement specialists.

### **Motivation for research studies:**

The technological solutions that are managing the digital health sector and meeting the increasing need for patient care are highlighted in this section. These include chatbots for e-transmission, robotics, interactive voice systems, and tracking information systems. After that, it discusses a number of codesigning approaches for managing user involvement in the field of digital health.

# **Conditions Overview of Digital Health:**

Digital health refers to a wide range of technologies aiming at improving health outcomes through better communication and data management. This includes telemedicine, electronic health records (EHR), mobile health apps, and data analytics. The pandemic highlighted the need for these

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technologies as healthcare practitioners struggled to preserve continuity of treatment while maintaining patient and staff safety.

**Telemedicine:** Telehealth services increased during COVID-19, allowing patients to consult with healthcare providers remotely. This change not only lowered the risk of virus transmission, but it also increased access to care for people living in remote or disadvantaged areas.

**EHR Systems:** Electronic health records have become essential for recording patient histories, treatment regimens, and vaccination statuses. Integrating with telehealth platforms enabled smooth information sharing between providers.

**Mobile Health Applications:** Apps for symptom tracking, appointment scheduling, and medication reminders were critical tools for patient involvement during lockdowns.



Figure 1: COVID-19 Global deployment

**The Role of ServiceNow :** ServiceNow is a cloud-based platform that focuses on workflow automation and digital transformation. During the COVID-19 epidemic, it launched many crisis response tools, including as contact tracing, employee wellness checks, and resource management. These tools enabled firms to respond swiftly to changing conditions while remaining operationally efficient.

**Crisis Management Framework**: ServiceNow's framework enables organizations to effectively manage crises by providing real-time information on resource availability, staff deployment, and patient care requirements.

# Benefits of ServiceNow in Digital Health During COVID-19:

Crisis Management ServiceNow's crisis management services enabled healthcare providers to efficiently address the problems brought by COVID-19. The platform allows enterprises to easily manage workflows for patient care, resource allocation, and staff safety.

Case Study: The Washington State Department of Health successfully coordinated internal response activities using ServiceNow's Emergency Response Operations app. This involved supervising testing sites, delivering personal protective equipment, and tracking immunization progress. **Real-time dashboards:** Custom dashboards gave decision-makers with real-time information on hospital capacity, staffing levels, and supply chain status, allowing for proactive responses.

Contact Tracing ServiceNow's integration with Cisco DNA Spaces improved contact tracing capabilities by identifying potential employee exposure through location- based data. This connectivity enables firms to closely monitor worker interactions. Impact on infection control: Organizations might take early action to limit the spread of the virus by identifying employees who may have come into contact with infected individuals. This was especially significant in high-density settings such as hospitals. Data Privacy Considerations: Implementing strong privacy safeguards guaranteed that, while

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tracking was efficient, patient confidentiality was maintained in accordance with requirements such as HIPAA.

**Employee Safety Applications** ServiceNow launched various applications to ensure employee safety during the epidemic. The Employee Travel Safety software enabled businesses to pre-authorize business trips based on destination safety assessments.

**Health Verification Processes:** Automatic health verification systems were created before to and during travel to ensure adherence to safety rules. Employees were obliged to go through wellness checks before entering facilities.

**Incident Reporting Tools:** Employees could report safety concerns or occurrences directly through ServiceNow's interface, allowing for fast action and transparency in managing issues.

Challenges Faced by Healthcare Organizations Integration of Existing Systems Many healthcare institutions struggled to integrate new digital technologies into their old legacy systems. This difficulty frequently delayed the implementation of crucial apps required for efficient crisis management.

**Assessment of IT infrastructure:** Before implementing new technologies such as ServiceNow, organizations required to do complete audits of their IT infrastructure. This includes assessing the current software capabilities and identifying potential integration points.

**Middleware Solutions:** Middleware can help to improve integration between legacy systems and ServiceNow.

**Change Management** Employees accustomed to traditional workflows resisted the rapid change to digital solutions. Obtaining staff buy-in was critical to successful implementation as shown in above Figure 3: Change Management Planning Process.

**Training Programs:** Comprehensive training activities were required to provide staff with the skills needed to effectively use new tools. Training sessions comprised hands-on workshops as well as online lessons geared to different user levels.

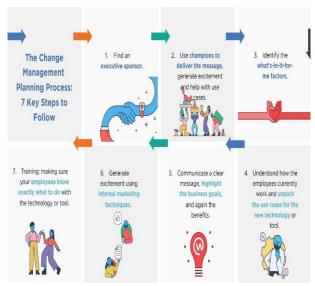


Figure 3: Change Management Planning Process Leadership Engagement: Active involvement from leadership can instill trust in employees about new projects. Change champions inside departments can aid in the acceptance of new technology.

### Future implications for digital health: Continued adoption of digital solutions

The success of digital health solutions during the pandemic is expected to result in their ongoing use beyond COVID-19. Organizations are likely to continue investing in technology that improve patient care and operational efficiency. Telemedicine is expected to grow as patients get more comfortable

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with distant consultations. Future investments will prioritize improving user experiences through better interfaces and integrated services.

**Patient Engagement Strategies:** Organizations are likely to implement stronger patient engagement strategies that use digital resources for education, appointment reminders, and follow-up treatment as shown in below figure Figure 3:Patient Diagnosis



Figure 3: Patient Diagnosis

# Enhanced data analytics capabilities:

The integration of advanced data analytics into systems such as ServiceNow will allow healthcare providers to make better decisions based on real-time data insights. Predictive analytics: Future advances could include predictive modeling skills that can foresee patient demands based on past data trends. For example, examining previous flu seasons could aid in the prediction of hospital admissions during respiratory virus outbreaks.

In population health management will do better analytics will help population health initiatives by identifying at-risk groups and adapting interventions accordingly.

## **Conclusion:**

ServiceNow played a critical role in providing digital health solutions during the COVID-19 epidemic. By delivering critical capabilities for crisis management, contact tracking, and employee safety, ServiceNow assisted healthcare organizations in effectively navigating unprecedented obstacles. As enterprises continue to embrace digital transformation, the lessons learnt from this period will define future responses to health crises. The continued development of digital health technology will be critical in improving patient care and operational efficiency in a post- pandemic society.

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