

# **EDITORS' NOTE**

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#### **ISSUE OVERVIEW**

The current issue of the International Journal of Telerehabilitation (IJT) contains original research, policy, and a country report (India). A letter to the editor cogently describes the challenges faced by occupational audiologists in the United States, due to the current absence of interstate professional license portability.

There is no doubt that the lead article, "User Authentication in Mobile Phones and Its Application to Healthcare," is highly relevant given the current security challenged environment.

What do these articles have in common? They collectively describe the current status of telerehabilitation: successes, challenges, and future needs.

## ON (PERSISTENT) GRATITUDE

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Did you know recent evidence suggests that expressing gratitude on a daily basis (i.e., by daily recording three items for which a person is thankful for at least six months), can benefit physical and psychological health? Yet another reason to give a huge "tele-thanks" to all those who are advancing the status of telerehabilitation.

### **CALL FOR SUBMISIONS**

The next volume of the International Journal of Telerehabilitation will be published in Spring, 2018. We cordially invite your 2018 submissions by mid-January 2018, and accept original research, case studies, viewpoints, technology reviews, book reviews, and country reports that detail the current status of telerehabilitation.

Sincerely,

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