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MEDICINE ON THE INFORMATION SUPERHIGHWAY

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SUMMARY: The use of telecommunications technology to provide health care at a distance could transform health care delivery in the United States and around the world, many experts say. In this article commissioned for P/P, the author looks at the present and future of "telemedicine," and discusses some of its medical, technical and ethical ramifications.

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