

### Leveraging Benefits of Digital Health In The Local Health Care System

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## Globally we see multiple benefits of Digital Health applications...

IMPACT ON PATIENTS IN BOTH THE PRIVATE AND PUBLIC SECTORS



- Reduces Fragmentation in Health Care Systems
  - Greater and faster patient Access to Healthcare
  - Consistent Electronic Records





- Care Progression and Tracking
  - Improved coordination of care
  - Enhanced quality of professionals
  - Track **Predisposition** to diseases





- Enriched Healthcare Delivery
  - Virtual consultations
  - Earlier detection and action
  - Self Care
  - Resource Optimization





## ... which are not only applicable to technologically advanced countries but developing nations too

USERS ARE CLEARLY ADOPTING DIGITAL HEALTH INTERFACES ACROSS BOTH SECTORS



**Applications** 

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Image Diagnosis

Digital Diagnosis







### **Babylon Health**

- 2 Million registered users in Rwanda 30% of population (Ranked 143<sup>rd</sup> in GDP Listing)
- Completed over 480 000 virtual consultations to date increasing by +1000 per day

#### Kaiser Permanente

- 850 000 users registered in the U.S
- 30 Million prescriptions filled by end of 2018





Education and Health Literacy



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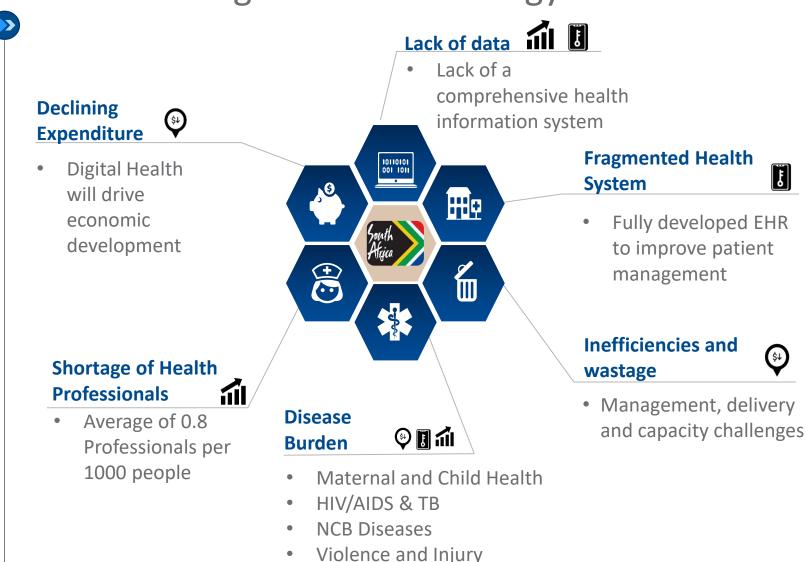
- 61 000+ remote monitoring devices
- Disease predisposition tracking

# These major issues in South African health care can be similarly addressed in line with South Africa's Digital Health Strategy



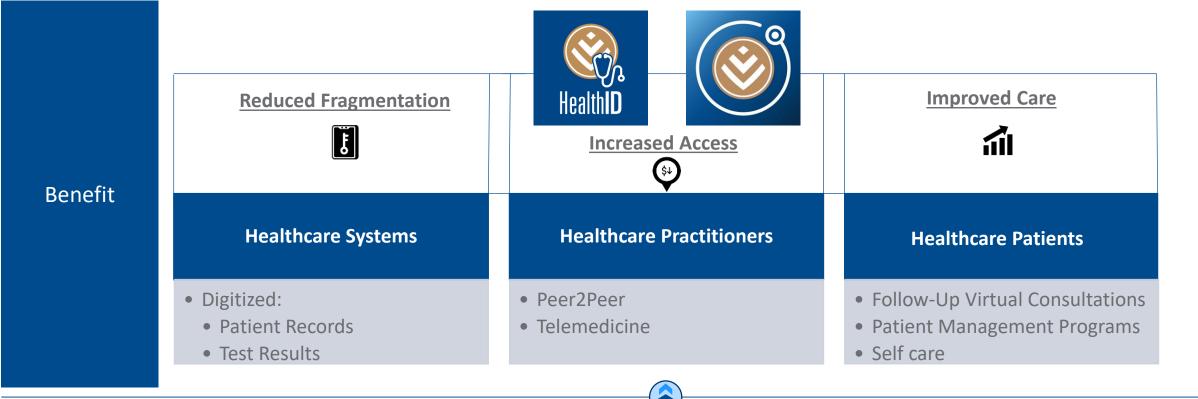
#### NDP 2030 Goals

- Increased life expectancy
- Reduction in Quadruple disease burden
  - Maternal and Child Health
  - HIV/AIDS & TB
  - NCB Diseases
  - Violence and Injury
- Significant improvement in healthcare efficacy equity and efficiency

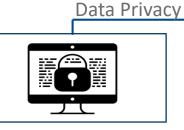


## We endeavor to realize benefits through Digital Health, while constantly navigating the challenges around them





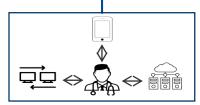
Considerations



Informed Consent



**Digital Adoption** 



However, partnerships are required to maximize the benefits of Digital Health



