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More than for any other sector, COVID-19 has highlighted the challenges to the healthcare industry, said National University Hospital (NUH) chief executive officer Dr David Lye. The pandemic has accelerated the rise of telehealth, he said, adding that the deployment of telehealth services will accelerate in the wake of the pandemic.

"The success of telehealth was reinforced during the pandemic," Dr Lye said. "The impact of COVID-19 has been overwhelming, and the healthcare system has had to adapt quickly to deliver care to patients. Telehealth has played a crucial role in this, providing a safe and effective way of delivering care to patients who need it."