WILL TELEHEALTH BECOME NEW NORM POST-PANDEMIC?: At Midwest Orthopedics at Rush, doctors are among the many health care workers throughout the country using telehealth applications to keep themselves and their patients safe during the pandemic. Orthopedic Surgeon Dr. Brian Cole, for example, began using telemedicine to hold post-op visits with patients, walking through the process of removing their own BandGrip dressings, which take the place of traditional sutures or staples, he said.

“Our patients like that they have an opportunity to avoid coming to the office again, especially given the relative risks.” Cole said. “They embrace it. Telemedicine will become more routine as an efficient means to evaluate patients.”