Post Acceptance Model for Online Teleconsultation services: An Empirical Study in Malaysia

Case study

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Abstract – Most nations across the world are actively pursuing equal access to healthcare services. Teleconsultation technology is a substantial improvement in terms of an effective framework for the provision of healthcare services. However, a lack of understanding of people's willingness towards the use of this technology has been observed. The goal of this study is to investigate the factors affecting the post-acceptance of teleconsultation services in Malaysia. This study developed a theoretical model which involves the combination of the second generation of Unified Theory of Acceptance and Use of Technology (UTAUT2) and Expectation Confirmation Theory (ECT), with the inclusion of several other constructs. An online survey was used to collect data from 154 university students and partial least squares (PLS) approach was used for data analysis. The research findings indicate that confirmation, performance, effort expectancy, usefulness, and satisfaction were the key factors that affect the post-acceptance of teleconsultation services. Furthermore, actual use, ease of use, technology readiness, and facilitating conditions did not impact participants' post intention in the continuous usage of teleconsultation facilities.

Keywords: Teleconsultation Technology, UTAUT2, ECT, Post Acceptance model, COVID19, PLS_SEM

1. INTRODUCTION

The new Information and Communication Technology (ICT) age have radically transformed human life, econom-ic processes, and culture into a new era of application that makes life easier [1]. The expansion of the Internet has contributed to the popularization of various virtual networks of online services [2] such as online learning and telehealth services. Telehealth services are described as health services that allow patients to receive therapy within their day-to-day life through one or more medical specialists [3]. Researchers have found that telehealth has steadily become the leading ICT service with an impres-sive impact on conventional health mechanisms [4]. Globally, telehealth programs boost doctors' efficacy, reduce medical costs, and increase access to healthcare [5][6]. They also provide services of medical practitioners consisting of tracking, diagnosis, and care provision over long distances using telecommunications. Previous stud-ies have proposed telehealth as a potential option for treating multiple health conditions including high blood pressure, obesity, diabetes, and cancer [6]. It is crucial to analyze the factors that influence end users' perception of adopting telehealth services [7]. so more studies have explored the key fac-

tors that motivate users to adopt such applications [12-14]. However, despite the huge number of emerging health applications, only a small number of apps (such as Noom Diet, Nike+, and Lose It) have been successful across the entire mHealth market. Although health apps are extremely useful in helping individuals to manage their health effectively, their usage often lasts a short while. This indicates a lack of under-standing of people's actions after installing health apps on their smartphones [3]. The aim of this study is, therefore, to fill the research gap and develop a research model based on UTAUT2 and ECT theories to discover the most influential factors that affect future intentions to use tele-health systems. As for the remainder of the paper, Sec-tion 2 describes the research background of factors that influence the intention of respondents to use telehealth services. Section 3 highlights the evolution of the hy-potheses while Section 4 discusses the research method-ology. Section 5 presents the results from the data analy-sis. Section 6 highlights the discussion of data analytics while Section 7 presents the conclusions and recom-mendations drawn from the research.

2. RELATED STUDIES

The novel coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) had spread to Malaysia via Singapore on 24th January 2020. The pandemic has set a huge challenge to the delivery of neurosurgical services including the transfer of patients. Patients are triaged depending on their urgent needs for surgery or transferred to a neurosurgical center and man-aged accordingly. All patients are screened for the poten-tial risk of contracting COVID-19 before any surgery [2]. General surgery departments in Malaysia are part of Ma-laysia's tertiary centers that treat CO-VID-19 patients. The core highlights of these strategies during this pandemic are (1) surgery ward and clinic decongestions; (2) defer-ment of elective surgeries; (3) restructuring of medical personnel; (4) utilization of online applications for tele-communication; (5) operating room adjustments and patient screening; and (6) continuous learning and up-date practices in terms of COVID-19. These adaptations are important for the continuation of emergency surgery services, prevention of transmission of COVID-19 amongst healthcare workers, and optimization of the medical personnel workforce in times of a global pan-demic [3]. Patients are evaluated by a psychiatrist in the COVID-19 wards where they are hospitalized. The con-sultants wearing personal protective equipment provided for them enter the rooms of patients with COVID-19 to reduce their risks of exposure [4]. As the novel corona-virus SARS-CoV-2 (COVID-19) outbreak is highly conta-gious, there has been an urgent need to devise and iden-tify new models of delivering healthcare to avoid 'face-to-face' consultation between clinician and patient, thus reducing the risk of disease transmission [5]. In the ab-sence of high-tech communication facilities, resuming healthcare services during ongoing lockdown is highly demanding for related healthcare facilities in the country [6]. M-health may

be a valuable strategy for expanding health coverage and empowering people to track their health, as well as potentially lowering medical costs [11]. Malaysia, as a developing nation with a strong technology market, should benefit from the use of m-health services due to its high Internet and broadband penetration rates, as well as its high smartphone penetration rate of 144.8%, showing that the majority of Malaysians own multiple mobile devices [1]. Teleconsultation is an exam-ple of mhealth where patients communicate with a healthcare specialist via video chat or online platforms that provide videos of physical activities based on a physi-cal therapist's training programs. This technology can be valuable only when people start using it, given its known benefits. Consequently, end users' general attitude towards embracing telehealth services may play an important role [7]. However, most people are hesitant in using such technology. Hence, there is a need to explore to what extent the patients trust such systems [8]. There is a need to study the aspects that influence people's acceptance of teleconsultation in Malaysia.

A. Expectation-Confirmation

The Expectation Confirmation Theory (ECT), presented by Oliver in 1980, describes consumer satisfaction because of the disaffirmation of desires and aspirations. Using ECT, Oliver argued that the shift in mood and intention of the customer is caused by satisfaction [15-17] Bhattacherjee subsequently proposed in 2001 to provide information systems (IS) consistency with ECT. Bhattacherjee pro-posed that the decision of IS users to continue is like the decision of customers to buy back, as both are based on initial knowledge of IS or product use. Therefore, both are closely related to customer satisfaction [18]. The more expectations people have on technology, the more de-sire they must use it. The continuous intention of using information systems for compulsory use was investigated and the value of user satisfaction was found by Sorebo and Eikebrokk [19]. IT uses were described by Rai, Lang, and Welker in 2002 as an undemanding, but not neces-sarily voluntary, systembased usage due to social pres-sure and environmental subjective norms [20]. ECT is widely used in different post-adoption contexts. It ends with the assumption that the extent of user confirmation and perceived usefulness are the main determinants of user satisfaction. Hence, confirmation and satisfaction are linked favorably. Usefulness and satisfaction also affect individuals' continuous intent to use technology [21]. In this context, the following hypothesis is proposed:

H1: Performance is positively associated with users' confir-mation of continuous use of telehealth technology.

B. Actual use

In terms of better work results (effectiveness), fast com-pletion (efficiency), and a positive attitude to a job (en-gagement), technical usefulness is the product of task success [22-24]. The expectations of technical usefulness and satisfaction [25-29] have been related to improved task efficiency. For example, satisfaction and prior experi-ence regulate the desire to proceed with Internet-based learning technology [30]. Furthermore, a strong relation-ship between perceived usefulness, confirmation, and satisfaction has been developed [31]. Prior experience of using technology plays a main role in usage continuation. For example, if a user perceives better organizational and technological support and ICT services, the more the e-learning program is used. The present study defined the qualities that trigger actual use and ongoing use of e-learning systems to be considerably beneficial [57]. In this context, the following hypothesis is proposed:

H2: Actual use is positively associated with users' continuous intention of telehealth technology usage.

C. Ease of use

Technology has to be seen as a useful tool to assist peo-ple in doing their jobs easily [32]. The ease of learning and user-intuitiveness of the system can be measured by the users revisiting the technology and not having to re-learn the tools to effectively perform a task [33-35]. If the system is easy to learn, effective, and efficient, people will be more interested to use it. Minimizing errors that may exist in the technology plays a main role to attract more people to use it [36]. For example, in e-learning education, the nature of effort expectation implies the extent of its acceptability and usage. Past studies of tech-nology adoption have shown that efforts are anticipated, both voluntary and involuntary, during the early steps of technology usage and are negligible over time for sus-tainable usage [37]. In this context, the following hy-pothesis is proposed:

H3: Ease of technology use is positively associated with users' continuous intention of telehealth technology usage.

D. Effort expectancy

Previous researches have shown that whenever the effort to understand and learn new technology is lesser, users tend to have more intention of using the technology. Public relations professionals, for example, have been influenced by the simplicity and self-efficacy of the me-dia [38]. For example, in inpatient management, effort expectation is also projected as a key indicator of patients' likeability of using mobile systems [23]. Effort expectancy refers to the degree to which the systems are easy or difficult to be accepted and used. Previous studies on technology acceptance have shown that during the early stages of technology adoption, effort expectancy is significant, both voluntary and involuntary, and becomes insignificant over time for sustainable use [37]. In this context, the following hypothesis is proposed:

H4: Effort expectancy is positively associated with users' continuous intention of telehealth technology usage.

E. Performance

Several studies have tested and validated the relationship between confirmation, usefulness, satisfaction, and con-tinuous intention [18], [40-42]. For example, the degree of confidence in Internet banking services has influenced the degree of perceived usefulness and satisfaction of the services [18]. Kim [18] showed that the relationship between perceived confirmation and usefulness upon goods purchased has a positive impact on the e-commerce satisfaction of consumers. The perceived amount of usefulness affects satisfaction and intention to use e-learning technology [41]. Students' performance expectancy refers to the degree to which the system allows the students to perform better in their curriculum. Preliminary studies have recognized that technology use in both voluntary and obligatory settings is strongly ex-pected to be employed by performance factors [43, 44] [39]. The expected performance has a significant impact on a system's continuous use in various studies. In this context, the following hypothesis is proposed:

H5: Expected performance is positively associated with users' continuous intention of telehealth technology usage.

F. Price

Price is described as a cognitive trade-off of the consum-ers between the perceived advantages of apps and the monetary cost of using them [45][46]. There are three types of pricing schemes in the modern app market: free, paid, and freemium. Free apps are free to download and use while paid applications must be paid for by users be-fore they can be downloaded. Freemium schemes pro-vide users with the ability to test the application for free before agreeing to buy the premium features [47]. Con-sumers demand higher quality or improved services if they pay for them [48]. In this context, the following hy-pothesis is proposed:

H6: Price is associated with users' continuous intention of telehealth technology usage.

G. Technology readiness

According to Parasuraman [49], technology readiness refers to one's propensity to embrace new technology to achieve goals in one's life at home and work. It is a multifaceted construction that has four dimensions: optimism (a positive perception of technology and a belief that it gives people greater control, flexibility, and efficiency in their lives), innovation (a tendency to become a technology pioneer), discomfort (a perceived lack of control over technology and a feeling of being overwhelmed by it), and insecurity (disruption). Optimism and innovativeness serve as the key drivers of technology readiness. They encourage people to use new technology and foster per-ceptions of safety and novelty [31]. Discomfort and inse-curity, on the other hand, are inhibitors of development readiness. They make customers hesitant to adopt new technology and create feelings of fear, confusion, and discomfort. Meanwhile, health-related information chan-nels and apps are seen as an innovative technology that can facilitate healthy behavior. Hence, the willingness of people to use applications affects their

efficacy, as some people are technology pessimists [50]. In this context, the following hypothesis is proposed:

H7: Technology readiness is associated with users' continu-ous intention of telehealth technology usage.

H. Usefulness

The perceived service quality in the initial phase is de-scribed as the degree of an individual's expectation that the current system would improve the efficiency of a given task. Literature has shown the usefulness and im-portance of a particular technology for users' intention change [51]. As Bhattacherjee introduced ECT coupled with the technology acceptance model (TAM), it has been confirmed that perceived usefulness influences not just the implementation of IS, but also users' comfort and persistent desire to use it. Several studies have described the association between perceived usefulness, satisfac-tion, and continuous usage desire [52], [53]. Compared to the findings of earlier research, we predicted a beneficial impact of perceived usefulness on user satisfaction and continuous usage intention [54]. In this context, the fol-lowing hypothesis is proposed:

H8: Usefulness is associated with users' continuous intention of telehealth technology usage.

I. Facilitating conditions

In a longitudinal study of Chen [7], facilitation of condi-tions refers to the degree to which people feel that the technical and institutional facilities are available to pro-mote the use of technology. The original UTAUT has shown that facilitating conditions only substantially im-pact actual use. Further studies, including a meta-analysis of 43 studies on technology acceptance, have shown that facilitating conditions also have positive effects on behav-ioral purposes [63]. For example, previous e-learning ac-ceptability studies have demonstrated that ease-of-use conditions have a positive

Table 1. The proposed research hypotheses

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Factors	Abb*	Hypothesis					
Actual Use	ATS	H1: Actual use positively influences continuous intention of use					
Performance	PER	H2: Performance positively influences confirmation					
Ease of use	EOS	H3: Ease of use positively influences continuous intention of use					
Effort expectancy	EX	H4: Effort expectancy positively influences continuous intention					
Confirmation	COF	H5: Confirmation positively influences user satisfaction					
Price	PR	H6: Price influences continuous intention of use					
Technology readiness	TR	H7: Technology readiness positively influences continuous intention of use					
Usefulness	USF	H8: Usefulness positively influences continuous intention of use					
Facilitating conditions	FC	H9: facilitating conditions positively influence the continuous intention of use					
Satisfaction	SAT	H10: user satisfaction positively influences continuous intention of use					

*Abb: Abbreviation

effect on the intention to use [54]. The indication is that the better the students per-ceive the organizational and technical support, and ICT infrastructure, the more the e-learning system is used. The current study has hypothesized the facilitation of conditions that makes people keener to use telehealth. In this context, the following hypothesis is proposed:

H9: Facilitating conditions are associated with users' contin-uous intention of telehealth technology usage.

J. Satisfaction

Consumer satisfaction can be defined as consumer per-ception of the extent to which consumer requirements have been met [55]. Keiningham, Perkins-Munn, and Ev-ans confirmed the definition of satisfaction where con-sumer satisfaction has an impact on consumer behavior. In addition, high consumer satisfaction leads to higher consumer loyalty and buying intentions [56]. For exam-ple, market research has shown that the main reason for a consumer's decision to re-purchase or re-use a product is their level of satisfaction [17],[57,58]. Bhattacherjee had empirically shown that level of satisfaction is a critical factor in decision-making [18]. In this context, the follow-ing hypothesis is proposed:

H10: Satisfaction is associated with users' continuous intention of telehealth technology usage.

3. METHODS AND MEASURES

This study aims to examine and investigate the causes that shape and influence the intention to use telehealth among Malaysians. Figure 1 represents the research model of this study. Telehealth intention was considered as a dependent variable. Students in Malaysian universi-ties were the targeted population for this study. To en-sure the validity of all measures, individual constructs of the determinants were adapted from previous research, provided in this paper.

Table 2. Demographics informationof the participants

Gender	N	%			
Female	75	%49			
Male	79	%51			
Study level	Ν	%			
Undergraduate	129	%84			
Postgraduate:	25	%16			
Online Health c	are services	familiarity			
I like to use	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
websites to get health care	5	7	40	50	52
services	3.2%	4.5%	25.9%	32.4%	33.7%
Living	Ν	%			
Urban	123	79.9%			
Rural	31	20.1%			
Age	Ν	%			
	Between 21 and 30 154	100%			

To test the multiple hypotheses, this study collected online survey data of full-time students from the University of Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. The survey asked students to examine their acceptance of telehealth services. Two hundred and eight responses were initially received. Out of the 208 responses collected, 54 (i.e. incomplete, outlier) responses were dropped while 54 respondents were chosen. Table 1 shows the demographics information of the respondents. Eight responses were initially received.

The construction and research model in Figure 1 was developed based on a comprehensive literature review as described above. The independent constructs of the theoretical model consisted of Actual Use, Confirmation, Ease of Use, Effort Ex-pectancy, Performance, Price, Technology Readiness, Usefulness, Facilitating Conditions, and Satisfaction. Intent to Use was stated as the dependent variable. These constructs were derived from previous studies, with minor modifications in the lan-guage of the items used to capture the data. A 5-point Likert scale was used to capture the answers for each item, with 1 being strongly agreed and 5 as Strongly Disagree. Several demographic items that use various measurement scales, were also included in the questionnaire. We used partial least squares (PLS) for data analysis and research model testing. PLS path modeling is a variance-based structural equation modeling (SEM) technology that is widely implemented in business and social sciences. Its ability to simulate composites and factors makes it an effective computational method for new technology studies [59]. The advantages of SEM relative to firstgeneration statistical techniques include more robust assumptions where multicollinearity is partly enabled and less error of calculation is used with confirmatory factor analysis (CFA) [60]. We evaluated the model using the Smart PLS 3.0 bootstrapping methodology [60,61].

4. RESULTS

The details shown in Table 2 indicate that 51% are male interviewees while 49% are female. Most participants (75%) are Bachelor's degree holders. Appendix A shows the questions.

A. Measurement Model Assessment

To measure the internal consistency of the hypothesized model, Cronbach's Alpha along with composite reliability and av-erage variance extracted (AVE) was used. Table 2 shows that the composite reliability values are between 93.3% and 78.3% which exceed the recommended threshold of 70% [62]. However, Cronbach's Alpha values are below, between 87.5% and 60.3%. Some items are below 70%, consisting of EX, EOS, SAT, TR, and Perceived USF. A low Cronbach's Alpha indicates a result of test length and dimensionality [62]. Therefore, all the indicators were considered reliable. Furthermore, the average variance extracted (AVE) method was used to measure the convergent validity of the selected items between 49.5 and 82.2. Table 2 shows that the AVE values of all the constructs are more than 0.5 except the TR construct, which assumed ade-quate convergent validity [62].

Table 3. Measurement Model Assessment

Con	structs	Loading	AVE*	CR**	Alpha
ATC	ATS 1	0.919	0.808	0.894	0.765
ATS	ATS 2	0.879			
	COF 1	0.702	0.616	0.906	0.875
	COF 2	0.723			
COF	COF 3	0.814			
COF	COF 4	0.791			
	COF 5	0.857			
	COF 6	0.812			
	EX 1	0.912	0.822	0.933	0.616
EX	EX 2	0.923			
	EX 3	0.884			
	FC 1	0.814	0.581	0.847	0.762
FC	FC 2	0.787			
FC	FC 3	0.782			
	FC 4	0.658			
	EoS 1	0.297	0.578	0.778	0.616
EoS	EoS 2	0.931			
	EoS 3	0.882			
	PER 1	0.858	0.757	0.903	0.84
PER	PER 2	0.85			
	PER 3	0.901			
Con	structs	Loading	AVE*	CR**	Alpha
			AVE *	CR** 0.887	Alpha 0.75
Con PR	structs	Loading			
	PR 1	Loading 0.926			
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PR SAT	PR 1 PR 1 SAT 1 SAT 2 SAT 3 TR 1 TR 2	Loading 0.926 0.858 0.903 0.885 0.356 0.648 0.712	0.797	0.887	0.75
PR SAT	PR 1 PR 1 SAT 1 SAT 2 SAT 3 TR 1 TR 2 TR 3 TR 4	Loading 0.926 0.858 0.903 0.885 0.356 0.648 0.712 0.815	0.797	0.887	0.75
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PR SAT	PR 1 PR 1 SAT 1 SAT 2 SAT 3 TR 1 TR 2 TR 3 TR 4 CTU 1 CTU 2 CTU 2 CTU 3 CTU 4	Loading 0.926 0.858 0.903 0.885 0.356 0.648 0.712 0.815 0.623 0.623 0.641 0.809 0.824 0.782	0.797	0.887	0.75 0.603 0.657
PR SAT TR	PR 1 PR 1 SAT 1 SAT 2 SAT 3 TR 1 TR 2 TR 3 TR 4 CTU 1 CTU 2 CTU 3 CTU 4 CTU 4 CTU 5	Loading 0.926 0.858 0.903 0.885 0.356 0.648 0.712 0.815 0.623 0.623 0.641 0.809 0.824 0.782 0.783	0.797	0.887	0.75 0.603 0.657
PR SAT TR	PR 1 PR 1 SAT 1 SAT 2 SAT 3 TR 1 TR 2 TR 3 TR 4 CTU 1 CTU 2 CTU 3 CTU 4 CTU 4 CTU 5 CTU 6	Loading 0.926 0.858 0.903 0.885 0.356 0.648 0.712 0.815 0.623 0.623 0.641 0.809 0.824 0.782 0.782 0.783 0.861	0.797	0.887	0.75
PR SAT TR	PR 1 PR 1 SAT 1 SAT 2 SAT 3 TR 1 TR 2 TR 3 TR 4 CTU 1 CTU 2 CTU 3 CTU 4 CTU 5 CTU 6 CTU 6 CTU 7	Loading 0.926 0.858 0.903 0.885 0.356 0.648 0.712 0.815 0.623 0.623 0.641 0.809 0.824 0.782 0.783	0.797	0.887	0.75
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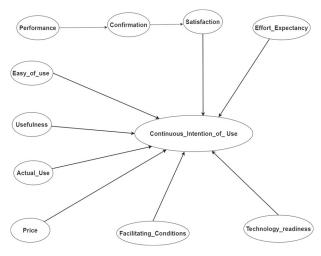
*AVE: Average variance extracted **CR: Composite Reliability

Table 4. Correlation analysis

	ATS	COF	СТИ	EoS	EX	PER	PR	TR	USF	FC	SAT
ATS	0.899										
COF	0.485	0.785									
СТU	0.477	0.809	0.79								
EoS	0.35	0.588	0.499	0.76							
EX	0.537	0.73	0.759	0.533	0.907						
PER	0.453	0.835	0.778	0.569	0.647	0.87					
PR	0.287	0.566	0.636	0.336	0.519	0.496	0.892				
TR	0.265	0.461	0.439	0.419	0.441	0.357	0.349	0.703			
USF	0.425	0.753	0.764	0.494	0.674	0.668	0.578	0.51	0.782		
FC	0.362	0.608	0.639	0.482	0.642	0.478	0.553	0.541	0.683	0.762	
SAT	0.475	0.75	0.761	0.635	0.711	0.697	0.623	0.424	0.692	0.609	0.758

Table 5. Hypothesis testing

	Original Sample (Ο)(β)	Sample Mean (M)	Standard Deviation (STDEV)	T Statistics (O/ STDEV)	P Values	Conclusion
H1: ATS ->CTU	0.04	0.055	0.051	0.787	0.432	Not supported
H2: COF ->PER	0.835	0.838	0.025	32.899	0	supports
H3: EoS ->CTU	-0.03	-0.037	0.082	0.36	0.719	Not supports
H4: EX ->CTU	0.291	0.279	0.081	3.588	0	supports
H5: PER -> SAT	0.697	0.697	0.056	12.339	0	supports
H6: PR->CTU	0.149	0.156	0.054	2.75	0.007	supports
H7:TR ->CTU	-0.007	-0.009	0.062	0.111	0.912	Not supported
H8: USF ->CTU	0.3	0.31	0.08	3.744	0	supports
H9: FC ->CTU	0.02	0.034	0.102	0.2	0.842	Not supported
H10: SAT ->CTU	0.244	0.228	0.088	2.782	0.006	supports





B. DISCRIMINANT VALIDITY

This research calculated the discriminant convergent va-lidity of the contracts by comparing the square root of AVE for each construct with its cross-correlation with oth-er constructs. The results showed that the square root of AVE was found to be higher than the off-diagonal ele-ments in the corresponding rows and columns which support the discriminant criteria set for all contracts. Table 3 summarizes the results. The accepted convergent validity of each construct must exceed the correlation it exhibits with other constructs [8]. In addition, the members in the matching columns and correlation matrix rows must be lower than the diagonal element [8]. Table 3 summarizes the data that con-firm convergent validity of all contracts which are be-tween 89.9% and 70.3%, indicating a minimum of 0.50 of AVE exists for all constructs. In addition, the entire loadings were highly significant (t-statistics > (3.419), p < (0.001)) based on the output of SmartPLS, which demonstrated that the indicators represent noticeably different latent construction.

C. Limitations

One drawback of this study is that the sample used did not include certain classes of individuals, such as school students who are strong consumers of video games for example, and academically challenged people who are more vulnerable to overuse of digital games. Future work is expected to extend the effects of this study to a specif-ic population, such as school pupils and uneducated peo-ple.

5. CONCLUSION

Public confidence in telehealth services is a highly under-researched field. A major antecedent of this technology adoption is to investigate decisions on the use of tele-health services. Now that telehealth services are more popular and large quantities of personal data are being collected, the public trust in telehealth services will be-come a more important feature. This research investigat-ed the drivers and obstacles that affect the willingness of people to utilize telehealth facilities. The findings pointed out that confirmation, performance, effort expectancy, usefulness, and satisfaction were the main drivers influ-encing the acceptance of telehealth ser-vices. Furthermore, actual use, ease of use, technology readiness, and facilitating conditions did not impact participants' confidence in the use of telehealth ser-vices. Despite the substantial influences of the constructs, educating workers and the public on how to use this technology by conducting special training programs at health care institutions is suggested to familiarize them with the technology. There is also a need to upgrade the current healthcare systems and make them compatible with telehealth technology requirements. The findings of this study contributed to the existing body of knowledge of adopting and implementing new healthcare systems such as telehealth.

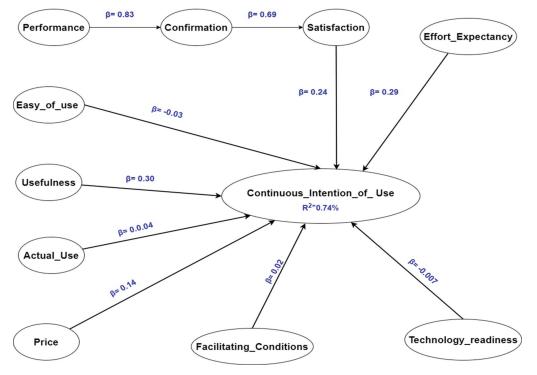


Fig. 2. Research mode

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Appendix A SURVEY QUESTIONS

Construct	Questions	Reference
Satisfaction	 How have you played video games for the last six months? I feel positive about the health care services offered by the internet I am satisfied with online health consultation that is delivered by the internet I have a nice relationship with my family 	[9]
Confirmation	 I can manage my health well by getting health treatment through the internet I can improve the condition of my health by getting health treatment through the internet My experience with having health treatment through the internet is better than what I expected. level of health care services that are delivered through the internet is better than what I expected Online health consultation meet my expectation Obtaining health treatment via the internet can assist me to achieve better health 	[8]
Performance	 Optioning health treatment via the Internet helps me to accomplish things more quickly Optioning health treatment by the Internet increases my productivity. Overall, most of my expectations from using the internet to deliver health care services are confirmed. 	[8]
Easy of use	 I think that learning how to use health care services that are delivered through the internet will be easy I think it will take longer to learn how to use health care services that are delivered through the internet I think that it will be easy to use health care services that are delivered through the internet I think that digital games overuse treatment will become easier if we use health care services that are delivered through the internet Do you think that health care services that are delivered through the internet 	[12]
Perceived usefulness	 Using online health consultations that are delivered by the internet effectively brings more energy to me. I think that doctors and patients(addicted to digital games) will become closer using the internet I find the use of online health consultations that are delivered by the internet makes me more knowledgeable. 	[12]
Continuance intention	 I am willing to use online health consultations that are delivered by the internet I intend to continue using online health consultations that are delivered by the internet than using any alternative means I intend to continue using online health consultations that are delivered by the internet rather than discontinue their use. I intend to continue using online health consultations that are delivered by the internet rather than discontinue their use. I intend to continue using online health consultations that are delivered by the internet rather than discontinue their use. I intend to continue using online health consultations that are delivered by the internet in the future. I intend to continue using online health consultations that are delivered by the internet in the future. I always try to use online health consultations that are delivered by the internet in my daily life I will continue to use online health consultations that are delivered by the internet frequently 	[12]
Technology readiness	 Technology gives me more freedom of mobility. I often keep up with the latest technological development that I am interested in I can figure out new high-tech products and services without any help I am usually among the first in my circle of friends to acquire new technology 	[13] [11]
Price value	 Online health consultations that are delivered by the internet are good value for the price Online health consultations that are delivered are reasonably priced The current price of online health consultations that are delivered by the internet provides a good value 	[12]
Facilitating conditions	 I have the resources necessary to use the internet for online health consultation I have the resources necessary to use online health consultations that are delivered by the internet I have a permanent connection to the internet I know to use the internet to access health care websites 	[13]
Actual of Use	 Currently, I am using the internet for online health consultation I have used the internet for online health consultation before I use the mobile phone to get health care services I use some websites to get health care services I use online services to get health care services 	[13]
Effort expectancy	 It is easy for me to become skillful at using online treatment technology Learning to use online treatment technology easy for me My interaction with the internet to get health care treatment is clear and understandable 	[13]