

GLOSSARY

bandwidth	the amount of information that can be transmitted by an information channel. Higher bandwidths allow more information to be carried, which, in videoconferencing, means that the picture will be of better quality. The bandwidth is measured in kbps
bridge	in videoconferencing terminology, a bridge connects three or more sites so that they can simultaneously communicate
dial-in	each site initiates their connection by making a call or 'dialling-in' to the bridge
dial-out	connection is initiated from the bridge which makes a call or 'dials-out' to each site
kbps	kilobytes per second is the measurement of speed at which images can be transmitted during a videoconference
live site	the site from which a session is transmitted and at which the presenters are located. For Bug Breakfast, this is usually a conference room within the NSW Department of Health at North Sydney
multipoint	a videoconference between more than two sites—that is, compared to point-to-point where communication is between two sites only
mute	activating the mute function stops sounds from being transmitted to other sites
real time	virtually simultaneously
remote site	site other than the live site—that is, a site receiving the transmission
Telehealth	the transmission of images, voice and data between two or more sites via telecommunications channels to provide clinical advice, consultation, education and training services
videoconferencing	the transmission of images, voice and data between two or more sites via telecommunications channels
voice activated	mode of videoconferencing in which the cameras are activated by sound. The site at which the sound is originating automatically appears on screen and is seen by all sites