Live video-conferencing technology (Telehealth) allowed a Brisbane-based cardiologist to watch Mr Pratt undertake a heart stress test at Longreach Hospital to assess his risk of heart attack.

Mr Pratt said he may have never found out his results if he had had to travel to Brisbane for a face-to-face consultation as the travel would have been too costly and time consuming.

"I’m on a disability pension and the only way I would have been able to get there was by train," Mr Pratt said.

"It [telehealth] didn’t cost me an arm and a leg like it would have to get to Brisbane."

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