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Fermilab utilizes a number of technologies and services to facilitate communication between globally dispersed collaborations. Video, audio and web conferencing systems are commonly used in conference rooms and on user desktops. For national laboratories and their collaborating institutes popular services for connecting multiple locations are Energy Sciences Network (ESnet), Enabling Virtual Organizations (EVO, formerly VRVS) and others.

As technology rapidly changes the need for information exchange becomes increasingly important and practical. The Remote Collaboration Working Group (RCWG), a task force of the Energy Sciences Network (ESnet) Coordinating Committee, meets by video regularly for that purpose.

This presentation will describe conference room and desktop collaboration technologies currently used at Fermilab. The charge to the RCWG, its membership and activities will also be explained.

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