

TELEMEDICINE SERVICES

Telemedicine services under Florida Medicaid are subject to the specifications, conditions, and limitations set by the State. Telemedicine is defined as the practice of health care delivery by a practitioner who is located at a site other than the site where the patient is located for the purposes of evaluation, diagnosis, or recommendation of treatment.

Providers rendering telemedicine must involve the use of interactive telecommunications equipment that includes, at a minimum, audio and video equipment permitting two-way, real time, interactive communication between the recipient and the practitioner to provide and support care when distance separates participants who are in different geographical locations. Telephone conversations, chart review, electronic mail messages, or facsimile transmissions are not considered telemedicine.

All equipment required to provide telemedicine services is the responsibility of the providers.

ELIGIBLE PROVIDERS

- Physicians
- Dentists
- Psychiatric Nurses
- Registered Nurses
- Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioners
- Physician Assistants
- Clinical Social Workers
- Mental Health Counselors
- Marriage and Family Therapists
- Masters level Certified Addictions Professionals (CAP)
- Psychologists

The above providers must be licensed in accordance with Chapters 394, 397, 458, 459, 464, 466, 490, or 491, Florida Statutes.

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