

Telemental Health

Ethics and Implementation

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Resources and Links

[Tame Your Practice](#) - Blog on various aspects of private practice with an emphasis on technology

- [Blog](#) – Regular articles on private practice and mental health with high amount of technology content (subscribe to the newsletter while there for monthly updates)
- [\(EHR/EMR\) Practice Management Systems](#) – Series on cloud solutions and what features to look for.
- [\(EHR/EMR\) System Reviews](#) – Reviews of most cloud-based practice management systems

Definitions Related Pages/Articles

[HIPAA](#) – Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996

[Tarasoff v. Regents of University of California](#) – Pivotal case regarding duty to warn.

[Covered Entities and Business Associates](#) – Explained by DHHS

[Are You A Covered Entity?](#) - HHS provides definitions and a tool for helping determine your status.

[Your Software and Devices Are Not HIPAA Compliant](#) – It's up to YOU to be compliant.

[HIPAA Final Rule Summary](#) – Summary and links.

[Meaningful Use and Mental Health Professionals](#) – How mental health professionals are impacted by the meaningful use incentive program involving EHRs.

[EMR vs. EHR](#) – What's the difference?

[HIPAA and the Conduit Exception](#) – Article including an interview with an OCR rep explaining how the conduit exception works and why services like Dropbox are problematic.

Telehealth Resources

[Providing Telehealth Services – Opportunities and Cautions](#) – An article that provides an overview of the ethics and legal considerations in providing telehealth services.

[Telehealth Resource Centers](#) - grant-funded organizations assist clinicians of all specialties to make the move to telehealth.

[50 State Survey of Telemental/Telebehavioral Health](#) - This report by Epstein, Becker and Green is a survey of the telehealth laws for various professions in each state.

[VSee](#) – Telehealth app.

[Doxy.me](#) – Telehealth app.

[Information on the Board Certified-Telemental Health Provider \(BC-TMH\) credential](#)

[Telehealth Certification Institute](#) – Source for information and training in Telehealth.

[The Effectiveness of Telemental Health: A 2013 Review](#)

[‘Telemental’ Health Is Becoming the Norm](#)

[Telemental Health: An Effective – and Increasingly Accepted – Treatment for Addiction](#)

[Telemental Health Comparisons](#) – Site that compares software for video counseling

[Centers for Connected Health Policy Telehealth Reimbursement Coverage Map](#)

[American Telemedicine Association Guidelines for Working With Children:](#)

Security

[Implementing a secure contact form on your web site](#) (Hushmail)

[LastPass](#) – Password management program. Helps generate and store secure passwords.

[Person Centered Tech](#) – Another blog focused on tech in mental health. Strong focus on HIPAA, security, and Telemental Health.

[Therapy Tech With Rob and Roy](#) – The most fun counselors can have listening to a podcast about technology!

Ethics

[NASW Code of Ethics](#)

[ACA Code of Ethics](#)

[APA \(Psychology\) Code of Ethics](#)

[APA \(Psychiatry\) Code of Ethics](#)

[AAMFT Code of Ethics](#)

[Does Your Vendor Sell De-identified Data](#) – Article on Practice Fusion and potential dangers of de-identified data.

[Ethical Pitfalls of Online Testimonials and Reviews](#) – Counseling Today article where I detail the ethics considerations when dealing with online reviews and the use of testimonials.

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Recent Updates & Coronavirus Information

[BCBS Information Page](#)

[Further BCBS Details, Including Claims Coding Guidance](#)

[CDC Coronavirus \(COVID-19\) Page](#)

[NCDHHS Coronavirus Page](#)

[NCDHHS Coronavirus Testing Information](#)

[Notification of Enforcement Discretion for telehealth remove communications during the COVID-19 nationwide public health emergency \(HHS.gov\)](#)

[Expansion of Medicare Telehealth Coverage](#)

[**Insurance Coverage Changes In Response to COVID-19](#)

[Summary of COVID-19 Resources from national Register of Health Service Psychologists](#)