



Ohio Administrative Code Rule 5122-26-22 Telehealth.

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(A) As used in this chapter and Chapter 5122-29 of the Administrative Code, "telehealth services" or "telehealth" have the same meaning as "telehealth services" in section 5119.368 of the Revised Code.

(B) No in-person visit is necessary to initiate telehealth services. The decision of whether to provide certifiable services or supports by telehealth is to be based on client choice, appropriate clinical decision-making, and professional responsibility, including the mandates of professional licensing, registration, or credentialing boards.

Regarding client choice and providers that have clients who are residents of a recovery housing residence or class two or class three residential facility, such providers are not to mandate or pressure those clients to receive a certifiable service or support by telehealth, whether individually or in a group format.

(C) The following are the certifiable services and supports that may be provided through telehealth:

- (1) General services as defined in rule 5122-29-03 of the Administrative Code, except for the collection of urine specimens for urinalysis;
- (2) Community psychiatric supportive treatment (CPST) service as defined in rule 5122-29-17 of the Administrative Code;
- (3) Therapeutic behavioral service and psychosocial rehabilitation as defined in rule 5122-29- 18 of the Administrative Code;
- (4) Peer support services as defined in rule 5122-29-15 of the Administrative Code;
- (5) SUD case management service as defined in rule 5122-29-13 of the Administrative Code;
- (6) Crisis intervention service as defined in rule 5122-29-10 of the Administrative Code;
- (7) Assertive community treatment as defined in rule 5122-29-29 of the Administrative Code;
- (8) Intensive home-based treatment service as defined in rule 5122-29-28 of the Administrative Code; and
- (9) Mobile response and stabilization service as defined in rule 5122-29-14 of the Administrative Code.



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- (D) An individual receiving residential and withdrawal management substance use disorder services as defined in rule 5122-29-09 of the Administrative Code or mental health day treatment service as defined in rule 5122-29-06 of the Administrative Code may receive any of the component services or supports listed in paragraph (C) of this rule through telehealth.
- (E) At the beginning of each session, a provider is to ask the client to provide the location (e.g., street address and city) where the client is currently receiving services or supports and update the address whenever the client site changes.
- (F) All certifiable services or supports provided by telehealth are to:
 - (1) Begin with the verification of the client through a name and password or personal identification number; and
 - (2) Be provided in accordance with all state and federal laws including those pertaining to the protection of patient information. Accordingly, a provider is to ensure that any username or password information and any electronic communications between the provider and client are securely transmitted and stored.
- (G) A provider's physical site is to conform to the standards in rule 5122-25-02 of the Administrative Code.