



# *Ethical Considerations in Providing Telemental Health*

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## **Overview**

Telemental health has become a significant part of almost all aspects of mental health treatment. As clinicians incorporate telemental health services into their daily work, questions arise regarding best practices and how to deliver practical, ethical, and successful telemental health. This program will address informed consent for telemental health, HIPAA, privacy and confidentiality, assessment issues, office and technology information, providing virtual supervision, reimbursement for telemental health and working across state borders through PSYPACT.

## **Objectives: Participants will be able to:**

- Apply the five overarching ethical principles to issues involving telemental health.
- Identify two issues in telemental health that promote or prevent client welfare.
- Improve ethical decision-making skills in all areas of electronic communication.

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