

APRNs have inquired about providing care for their clients and particularly elderly clients and ability to use Telehealth. Effective July 1, 2019, Medicaid and Commercial Payers were mandated to reimburse an eligible telehealth care provider for a telehealth service in an amount equal to the amount paid for a comparable in-person service, unless a managed care organization and provider establish a different rate. Provided below are list of resources to guide the APRN in the decision making process related to providing patient care utilizing telehealth services.

Resources:

- Cabinet for Health and Family Services – Telehealth Program <https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/ohda/Pages/telehealth.aspx>
- Telebehavioral Health Center of Excellence – TeleMAT <https://tbhcoe.matrc.org/telemat/>
- KRS 314.155 Duty of treating nurse utilizing telehealth to ensure patient's informed consent and maintain confidentiality -- Board to promulgate administrative regulations -- Definition of "telehealth". <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=30935>
- 201 KAR 20:520. Telehealth. <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/kar/201/020/520.pdf> Advisory Opinion Statement #42 – Telehealth and Nursing <https://kbn.ky.gov/practice/Documents/aos42.pdf>
- 907 KAR 3:170 Telehealth service coverage and reimbursement <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/kar/907/003/170.pdf>
- KRS 218A.010 (18) Definitions Good Faith Examination and KRS 218A.010 (41) Provider-Patient Relationship <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=46889>
- MEDICARE TELEMEDICINE HEALTH CARE PROVIDER FACT SHEET <https://www.cms.gov/newsroom/fact-sheets/medicare-telemedicine-health-care-provider-fact-sheet>
- Medicare Telehealth Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) March 17, 2020 <https://edit.cms.gov/files/document/medicare-telehealth-frequently-asked-questions-faqs-31720.pdf>
- DEA COVID-19 Information Page – Telehealth and Electronic Prescribing of Controlled Substances <https://deadiversion.usdoj.gov/coronavirus.html>