

655—6.4(152) Telehealth.

6.4(1) *Telehealth permitted.* A licensee may, in accordance with all applicable laws and rules, provide health care services to a patient through telehealth.

6.4(2) *License required.* A registered nurse or licensed practical nurse who provides services through telehealth to a patient physically located in Iowa must hold an active license issued by the board or have an active privilege to practice in Iowa pursuant to the nurse licensure compact.

6.4(3) *Standard of care.* A licensee who provides services through telehealth shall be held to the same standard of care as is applicable to in-person settings. A licensee shall not perform any service via telehealth unless the same standard of care can be achieved as if the service was performed in person.

6.4(4) *Scope of practice.* A licensee who provides services through telehealth shall ensure the services provided are consistent with the licensee's scope of practice, education, training, and experience.

6.4(5) *Technology.* A licensee providing services through telehealth shall utilize technology that is secure and compliant with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA). The technology must be of sufficient quality, size, resolution, and clarity such that the licensee can safely and effectively provide the telehealth services and abide by the applicable standard of care.

6.4(6) *Records.* A licensee who provides services through telehealth shall maintain a record of the care provided to the patient. Such records shall comply with all applicable laws, rules, and standards of care for recordkeeping, confidentiality, and disclosure of a patient's medical record.

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