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Definition of telemedicine/telehealth	
<p>“The practice of telemedicine means the practice of medicine in this state through the use of any communication, including oral, written, or electronic communication, by a physician located outside this state.”</p> <p><i>Source: OH Revised Code Annotated, 4731.296.</i></p> <p>“Telehealth means the use of electronic communications to provide and deliver a host of health-related information and healthcare services, including, but not limited to physical therapy related information and services, over large and small distances.”</p> <p><i>Source: OH Admin. Code 4755-27-01.</i></p> <p>Telehealth service means a health care service delivered to a patient through the use of interactive audio, video, or other telecommunications or electronic technology from a site other than the site where the patient is located.</p> <p><i>Source: OH Revised Code, Sec. 5164.94.</i></p> <p><u>Speech Language Pathology</u> Telehealth means the use of telecommunications and information technologies for the exchange of information from one site to another for the provision of audiology or speech-language pathology services to an individual from a provider through hardwire or internet connection.</p> <p><i>Source: OH Admin. Code 4753-2-01</i></p>	<p>Telemedicine is the direct delivery of evaluation and management (E&M) or psychiatric services to a Medicaid eligible patient via synchronous, interactive, real-time electronic communication that comprises both audio and video elements.</p> <p><i>Source: OH Medicaid Handbook Transmittal Letter No. 3334-15-01. Jan. 2, 2015, pg. 6 & OH Admin. Code 5160-1.</i></p>
Live Video Reimbursement	
<p>The department of Medicaid is required to establish standards for Medicaid payment for health care services the department determines are appropriate to be covered when provided as telehealth services.</p> <p><i>Source: OH Revised Code, Sec. 5164.95.</i></p>	<p>Ohio Medicaid covers live video telemedicine.</p> <p>Eligible Distant Site Providers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Physicians (MD, DO) • Psychologists • Federally Qualified Health Center (medical and

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<p><u>Speech Language Pathology</u> Telehealth may be delivered through live video.</p> <p><i>Source: OH Admin. Code 4753-2-01</i></p>	<p>mental health)</p> <p>Only resident modifiers will be accepted.</p> <p>Providers are not eligible for payment when a Q3014 (facility fee) and a CPT code with a GQ modifier is submitted for the same patient, same date of service, and same provider.</p> <p>See transmittal letter for list of eligible CPT codes.</p> <p><i>Source: OH Medicaid Handbook Transmittal Letter No. 3334-15-01, pg. 6-7. Jan. 2, 2015 & OH Admin Code 5160-1.</i></p> <p>Ohio Medicaid will reimburse for live video for speech therapy services in the Medicaid School Program (MSP) when provided by speech-language pathologists.</p> <p><i>Source: OH Dept. of Job and Family Svcs., Long Term Care Services and Supports Transmittal Letter (LTCSSSTL) No. 11-15, (Oct. 19, 2011).</i></p>
Store and Forward Reimbursement	
<p><u>Speech Language Pathology</u> Telehealth may be delivered through store and forward.</p> <p><i>Source: OH Admin. Code 4753-2-01</i></p>	<p>Telemedicine is defined as being “synchronous, interactive, real-time”, excluding the use of store and forward technology.</p> <p><i>Source: OH Medicaid Handbook Transmittal Letter No. 3334-15-01. Jan. 2, 2015, pg. 6-7.</i></p>
Remote Patient Monitoring Reimbursement	
<p>No reference found.</p>	<p>The home is not an acceptable place of service for either an originating or distant site.</p> <p><i>Source: OH Medicaid Handbook Transmittal Letter No. 3334-15-01. Jan. 2, 2015, pg. 6-7.</i></p>
Email/Phone/FAX	
<p>No reference found.</p>	<p>Electronic mail, telephone and facsimile transmission are not telemedicine.</p> <p><i>Source: OH Admin. Code 5160-1.</i></p>
Online Prescribing	
<p>A physician shall not prescribe, dispense, or provide any dangerous drug, which is not a controlled substance, to a person who the physician has never personally physically examined and diagnosed.</p> <p>Eligible exceptions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The physician is providing care in consultation with another physician, who has an ongoing professional relationship with the patient, and who has agreed to supervise the patient’s use of the drug or drugs to be provided, and the physician’s care of the patient meets all 	<p>No reference found.</p>

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<p>applicable standards of care;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In institutional settings; • On-call situations; • Cross-coverage situations; • Situations involving new patients; • Protocol situations; • Situations involving nurses practicing in accordance with standard care arrangements. <p><i>Source: OH Admin. Code 4731-11-09.</i></p>	
Consent	
<p><u>Speech Language Pathology</u> A provider is required to inform the patient of specific telehealth limitations.</p> <p><i>Source: OH Admin. Code 4753-2-01</i></p>	<p>The originating site is responsible for obtaining informed consent.</p> <p><i>Source: OH Admin. Code 5160-1.</i></p>
Location	
<p>No reference found.</p>	<p>When the originating site is located within a five mile radius from the distant site, providers are not eligible for reimbursement.</p> <p>Provider types eligible as an originating site, either using a Q3014 HCPCS code or a GQ modifier:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Primary Care Clinic • Outpatient Hospital • Rural Health Clinic (Medical) • Federally Qualified Health Clinic (Medical) • Physician • Professional Medical Group • Podiatrist • Optometrist <p>See transmittal letter for additional billing rules.</p> <p>Additional place of service restrictions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inpatient hospital • Nursing facility • Inpatient psychiatric hospitals <p><i>Source: OH Medicaid Handbook Transmittal Letter No. 3334-15-01. Jan. 2, 2015, pg. 6-7.</i></p>
Cross-State Licensing	
<p>Ohio issues telemedicine certificates that allow the holder to engage in the practice of telemedicine in the state.</p> <p>Providers with telemedicine certificates cannot practice in OH without a special activity certificate.</p> <p><i>Source: OH Revised Code Annotated, Sec. 4731.296(C).</i></p> <p><u>Physical Therapy</u></p>	<p>No reference found.</p>

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Physical therapists and physical therapist assistants must hold a valid OH physical therapy license to treat a patient located in Ohio via telehealth. <i>Source: OH Admin. Code 4755-27-01.</i>	
Private Payers	
No reference found.	No reference found.
Site/Transmission Fee	
No reference found.	Originating site eligible for a facility fee using HCPCS code Q3014. See transmittal letter for additional billing rules. <i>Source: OH Medicaid Handbook Transmittal Letter No. 3334-15-01, pg. 5-6. Jan. 2, 2015 & OH Admin Code 5160-1.</i>
Miscellaneous	