

**[225 Ill. Comp. Stat. §§ 150/1 through 150/15.]**

**§§ 150/1 through 150/15: Telehealth Act**

**§ 1. Short title.**

This Act may be cited as the Telehealth Act.

**§ 5. Definitions.**

As used in this Act:

"Health care professional" includes physicians, physician assistants, optometrists, advanced practice registered nurses, clinical psychologists licensed in Illinois, prescribing psychologists licensed in Illinois, dentists, occupational therapists, pharmacists, physical therapists, clinical social workers, speech-language pathologists, audiologists, hearing instrument dispensers, and mental health professionals and clinicians authorized by Illinois law to provide mental health services.

"Telehealth" means the evaluation, diagnosis, or interpretation of electronically transmitted patient-specific data between a remote location and a licensed health care professional that generates interaction or treatment recommendations. "Telehealth" includes telemedicine and the delivery of health care services provided by way of an interactive telecommunications system, as defined in subsection (a) of Section 356z.22 of the Illinois Insurance Code.

**§ 10. Practice authority.**

A health care professional treating a patient located in this State through telehealth must be licensed or authorized to practice in Illinois.

**§ 15. Use of telehealth.**

A health care professional may engage in the practice of telehealth in Illinois to the extent of his or her scope of practice as established in his or her respective licensing Act consistent with the standards of care for in-person services. This Act shall not be construed to alter the scope of practice of any health care professional or authorize the delivery of health care services in a setting or in a manner not otherwise authorized by the laws of this State.