

# State of Ohio Emergency Telehealth Expansion During COVID-19

## Updated Eligible Providers

- Physicians and physician assistants
- Nurse practitioners
- Audiologists and audiologist assistants
- Social workers, counselors, marriage and family therapists
- Occupational therapists and occupational therapist assistants
- Physical therapists and physical therapist assistants
- Speech-language pathologists
- Medicaid in school (MSP) practitioners, as defined in OAC Chapter 5160-35
- Behavioral health agencies certified by OhioMHAS
- Independently licensed behavioral health practitioners and supervised behavioral health practitioners and trainees, as defined in OAC Chapter 5160-8-05
- Community health centers, Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC), Rural Health Clinic (RHC)

## Updated Eligible Covered Services

- New patient visits
- Mental health evaluations and psychotherapy
- Substance use disorder evaluations,
- Remote evaluations of recorded video or images
- Virtual practitioner check-ins
- Online digital evals and care for established patients
- Remote patient monitoring
- Medical nutrition services and lactation counseling
- Psychological and neuropsychological testing
- Most services provided by OMHAS-certified providers
- Smoking and tobacco use cessation counseling
- Developmental test administration
- Follow-up consultation with a patient

For more information, please visit [medicaid.ohio.gov](https://medicaid.ohio.gov).



1.

Whether you are a new or established patient, if you are feeling ill, you can now call, email, or even fax your health care provider and take advantage of a broader array of emergency telehealth services. No face to face interaction is required.

2.

Your provider will ask a series of questions to get all the information your health care provider needs.

3.

Similar to face-to-face visits, your provider will review your medical history, then evaluate it in light of the new health symptoms displayed or other medical factors that may influence your wellbeing.

4.

Ohio's emergency telehealth rule expands the list of approved providers. They can include your doctor, physician's assistant, nurse practitioner, behavioral health practitioner, audiologist, physical and occupational therapists, and more.

5.

Your provider will work with you to determine treatment options and next steps. Prescriptions, medical tests, referrals, and more can all be coordinated through telehealth visits.