

21 NCAC 64 .0219 TELEPRACTICE

(a) Licensees may evaluate and treat patients receiving clinical services in North Carolina by utilizing telepractice. Telepractice means the use of telecommunications and information technologies for the exchange of encrypted patient data, obtained through real-time interaction, from one site to another for the provision of speech and language pathology and audiology services to patients through hardwire or internet connection.

(b) Telepractice shall be obtained in real time and in a manner sufficient to ensure patient confidentiality.

(c) Telepractice is subject to the same standard of practice as if the person being treated were physically present with the licensee. Telepractice is the responsibility of the licensee and shall not be delegated.

(d) Licensees and staff involved in telepractice must be trained in the use of telepractice equipment.

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