

Telehealth in Nevada and the Uniform Telehealth Act

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**AB 198—Promoting
access to health care
Uniform Telehealth Act
Allowing nurse anesthetists to
reach full scope of practice**

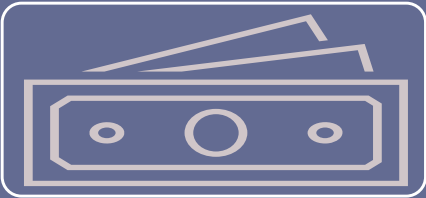
Telehealth under current law

- **For a patient in Nevada**
 - **Practitioners licensed in Nevada can diagnose, treat, and provide consultations or second opinions via telehealth**
 - **Practitioners licensed in other states cannot provide telehealth services**

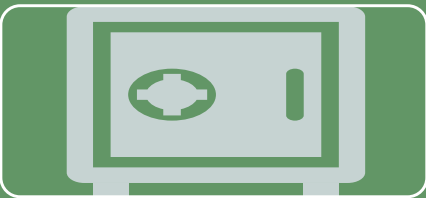
Key UTA provisions



Can establish a patient-practitioner relationship via telehealth (§ 4; already allowed per Nev. Rev. Stat. 629.515)



Provides for registration of “substantially equivalent” out-of-state practitioners to provide telehealth services to in-state patients (§ 6), but not to provide in-person care in the state (§ 9)



Allows unregistered out-of-state practitioners to provide telehealth services for consultations, second opinions, specialty assessments, or follow-up care with existing patients (§ 6)



Doesn't apply to patients who are out-of-state (§ 3) and doesn't address payment for telehealth services by insurers

Concerns about adopting the Uniform Telehealth Act (UTA)

- **Skepticism about the Uniform Law Commission**
- **Lack of adoptions in other states**
- **Nurses' union expressed concerns about the quality of telehealth generally (lack of physical presence; communication issues)**
- **Psychology Board worried about psychologists licensed in other states under less demanding standards (despite data from other states)**
 - **Regional accreditation in CA vs. APA accreditation in NV**
 - **3000 hrs supervised in CA vs. 3750 hrs in NV**