OUTLINE

Research about Telehealth Services

Here to stay It works Benefits

Application of Ethical Codes

Psychologists, social workers, professional counselors

Building competence

Technology appropriateness examples

HIPAA

HIPAA and HITECH HIPAA and small providers Violations and why they occur

State Law Applications

State interests for the pros and cons for permitting telehealth

Cohesive incoherence

Examples of statutory guidance Risk management guidelines

Interjurisdictional practice

Efforts to Improve Telehealth Interjurisdictional Practice

PsvPact

Others

Checklist of questions to determine if you can practice across statelines

Case Examples for Using Various Forms of Telehealth

Best practices for telehealth

Selecting the appropriate tools Utilizing ATA guidelines

Clinical – patient and setting appropriateness Technical - The setting, camera, microphones, and lighting

Administrative – connectivity, training Practical solutions for your therapy

Processes & Procedures

The intake process

Informed consent – sample plan, key topics to

Emergency and crisis plans – what to include, medical issues, sample plan

Delivery Platforms Keeping Ethics/HIPAA in

Asynchronous platforms

Common elements Concerns with platform

Synchronous therapy

All-in-one services

Email and texting safely

Pros and cons

HIPAA requirements

Encryption

Password protection

Electronic communication policy Hardware and software safety

Screening and Suitability of the Client

Benefits of telehealth Services

Evidenced-based research

Patient and setting contraindications

The intake, mental status exam, and ongoing Evaluation

Assessment with clients

Professional Boundary Considerations

For the client

For the cinician

Crossings versus violations Recommendations for maintaining

Licensing board complaint examples

Red Flags for Therapist

Strategies to Avoid Red Flags

professional boundaries

Recommendations for improving the therapist's telehealth experience

Additional Resources

Multicultural Considerations

Issues to consider

Geography, settings, populations Seeking guidance

Theoretical Considerations for Telehealth

Evidence-based support Which models transition well

Self-Care for the Clinician

Ethics application

Causes of burn out Warning signs in therapists

Characteristics of effective self-care Strategies and techniques

Resources

Dos and Don'ts of Social Media

Using social media to your advantage The required social media policy Social media and boundaries

The Era of Electronic Records

Development of the electronic record Electronic document storage Electronic document destruction

Reimbursement

Medicare/Medicaid Private payer

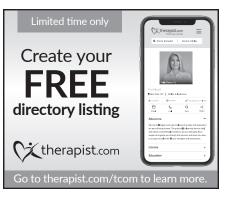
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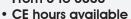
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