

Telehealth Consent Disclosures

What is telehealth?

Telehealth is a way to visit with healthcare providers, such as your doctor or nurse practitioner. You can talk to your provider from any place, including your home. You don't go to a clinic or hospital.

How do I use telehealth?

- You talk to your provider by phone, computer, or tablet.
- Sometimes, you use video so you and your provider can see each other.

How does telehealth help me?

- You don't have to go to a clinic or hospital to see your provider.
- You won't risk getting sick from other people.

Can telehealth be bad for me?

- You and your provider won't be in the same room, so it may feel different than an office visit.
- Your provider may make a mistake because they cannot examine you as closely as at an office.
- Your provider may decide you still need an office visit.
- Technical problems may interrupt or stop your visit before you are done.

Will my telehealth visit be private?

- We will not record visits with your provider.
- If people are close to you, they may hear something you did not want them to know. You should be in a private place, so others cannot hear you.
- Your provider will tell you if someone in their office can hear or see you.
- We use telehealth technology that is designed to protect your privacy.
- If you use the Internet for telehealth, use a private and secure network.
- There is a small chance that someone could use technology to hear or see your telehealth visit.

What if I want an office visit, not a telehealth visit?

Let the person scheduling your appointment and/or the provider know you do not want a telehealth visit.

What if I try telehealth and don't like it?

- You can stop using telehealth any time, even during a telehealth visit.
- You can still get an office visit if you no longer want a telehealth visit.
- If you decide you do not want to use telehealth again:
- Inform the provider that you don't want to use telehealth again OR
- Call 202-318-0179 and say you want to stop,
- It will be as if you never signed this form.

Do I have to sign this document?

No. Only sign this form is you want a telehealth visit.