

To assist psychologists in being aware of standards, guidelines and issues related to using telepsychological modalities with clients, OPA has compiled the following list of resources. It is our hope that providers who utilize this method of practice will develop the clinical, technical and administrative competencies and will adhere to these ethical standards and best practices.

APA telepsychology

guidelines: <http://www.apa.org/practice/guidelines/telepsychology.aspx>

ATA telemental health practice guidelines: <http://dev.americantelemed.org/docs/default-source/standards/practice-guidelines-for-videoconferencing-based-telemental-health.pdf?sfvrsn=6>

ATA evidence based practice for telemental

health: <http://dev.americantelemed.org/resources/telemedicine-practice-guidelines/telemedicine-practice-guidelines/evidence-based-practice-for-telemental-health>

When utilizing telepsychological modalities, jurisdictional and licensing issues need to be considered. For most states, clinicians need to be licensed in the state where the patient is at the time of service delivery. Arrangements may need to be made with that state for limited license provisions. In order to try and facilitate a regulated interstate practice, PSYPACT has been proposed and implemented in a few states. More states are considering such legislation this year, but until at least 7 adopt PSYPACT the interstate reciprocity will be conceptual and limited. Oregon is evaluating whether or not the PSYPACT model is sufficient to address interstate practice needs and to what degree it would allow for safe, appropriately regulated practice across state lines. For more information about PSYPACT, including an informative presentation by ASPPB, see the following links:

ASPPB PSYPACT materials: <http://www.asppb.net/page/PSYPACT>

ASPPB presentation on Telepsychology and Ethical

Practice: <http://www.abpp.org/files/Workshop/Handouts/Millan%26Siegel-Telepsych.pdf>