

Proposed BME Telemedicine and Telehealth Regulations

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On May 6, 2019, the New Jersey Board of Medical Examiners (BME) proposed new regulations to effectuate the provisions of the New Jersey Telemedicine Law. The Proposed regulations were published in the NJ Register at 51 NJR 561(a). There is a 60 day Comment period through July 5, 2019. If adopted, the new rules would be set forth in N.J.A.C. 13:35-6B.1- N.J.A.C. 13:35-6B.9.

The proposed regulations cover the following topics with respect to the practice of telemedicine and telehealth by BME licensees:

- N.J.A.C. 13:35-6B.1 Purpose and scope
- N.J.A.C. 13:35-6B.2 Definitions
- N.J.A.C. 13:35-6B.3 Standard of care
- N.J.A.C. 13:35-6B.4 Licensee-patient relationship
- N.J.A.C. 13:35-6B.5 Provision of health care services through telemedicine or telehealth
- N.J.A.C. 13:35-6B.6 Prescriptions
- N.J.A.C. 13:35-6B.7 Records
- N.J.A.C. 13:35-6B.8 Prevention of fraud and abuse
- N.J.A.C. 13:35-6B.9 Privacy and notice to patients

The Regulations would apply to all persons who are licensed by the NJ BME as physicians or podiatrists. The other professional boards are also in the process of proposing regulations on telemedicine and telehealth.

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