



Provider Notification

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Illinois Executive Order 2021-15 (COVID-19 Executive Order No. 84): Extension for Telehealth Coverage

Gov. J.B. Pritzker has issued an extension to COVID-19 Executive Order 84:

- Sections 9 and 10 of [Executive Order 2020-09](#) are reissued and extended through **Aug. 21, 2021**
- Section 9 is further amended and revised as follows:

For the duration of the Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamation, a covered health care provider and/or covered entity subject to the requirements of the Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities Confidentiality Act, 740 ILCS 110, or subject to the federal Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, Public Law 104-191, and any subsequent amendments thereto and regulations promulgated thereunder, that uses audio or video communication technology to provide telehealth services may use any non-public facing remote communication product in accordance with Section 1 of this Executive Order to the extent consistent with the March 17, 2020, guidance issued by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services – Office of Civil Rights that was entitled “Notification of Enforcement Discretion for Telehealth Remote Communications During the COVID-19 Nationwide Public Health Emergency.” This exercise of discretion applies to telehealth service providers or covered entities for any reason, regardless of whether the telehealth service concerns the diagnosis and treatment of health conditions related to COVID-19. Providers and covered entities should, to the extent feasible, notify patients that third-party applications potentially introduce privacy risks. Providers should enable all available encryption and privacy modes when using such applications. Facebook Live, Twitch, TikTok and similar video communication applications, which are public-facing, should not be used in the provision of telehealth by covered health care providers or covered entities.

For full details, please see [Executive Order 2021-15](#).