

**WAC 246-847-176 Telehealth.** (1) "Telehealth" means providing occupational therapy via electronic communication where the occupational therapist or occupational therapy assistant and the patient are not at the same physical location.

(2) An occupational therapist or occupational therapy assistant using telehealth to provide therapy to patients in Washington must be licensed to provide occupational therapy in Washington.

(3) Licensed occupational therapists and occupational therapy assistants may provide occupational therapy via telehealth following all requirements for supervision and standard of care, including those defined in chapters 18.59 RCW and 246-847 WAC.

(4) The occupational therapist or occupational therapy assistant must identify in the clinical record that the occupational therapy occurred via telehealth.

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