

2023 Kansas Statutes

40-2,211. Same; definitions. (a) For purposes of Kansas telemedicine act:

- (1) "Distant site" means a site at which a healthcare provider is located while providing healthcare services by means of telemedicine.
 - (2) "Healthcare provider" means a physician, licensed physician assistant, licensed advanced practice registered nurse or person licensed, registered, certified or otherwise authorized to practice by the behavioral sciences regulatory board.
 - (3) "Originating site" means a site at which a patient is located at the time healthcare services are provided by means of telemedicine.
 - (4) "Physician" means a person licensed to practice medicine and surgery by the state board of healing arts.
 - (5) "Telemedicine," including "telehealth," means the delivery of healthcare services or consultations while the patient is at an originating site and the healthcare provider is at a distant site. Telemedicine shall be provided by means of real-time two-way interactive audio, visual, or audio-visual communications, including the application of secure video conferencing or store-and-forward technology to provide or support healthcare delivery, that facilitate the assessment, diagnosis, consultation, treatment, education and care management of a patient's healthcare. "Telemedicine" does not include communication between:
 - (A) Healthcare providers that consist solely of a telephone voice-only conversation, email or facsimile transmission; or
 - (B) a physician and a patient that consists solely of an email or facsimile transmission.
- (b) This section shall take effect on and after January 1, 2019.

History: L. 2018, ch. 98, § 2; July 1.