

## Delaware

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**Recent Policy Developments:**

In July 2012, the state Medicaid program began reimbursing for telemedicine services. This decision was made administratively, with no change in state law.

STATE LAW/REGULATIONS	MEDICAID PROGRAM
<b>Definition of telemedicine/telehealth</b>	
<p>“Telehealth, as set forth in the Board’s rules and regulations, means the use of electronic communications to provide and deliver a host of health-related information and healthcare services, including physical therapy and athletic training related information and services, over large and small distances. Telehealth encompasses a variety of healthcare and health promotion activities, including education, advice, reminders, interventions, and monitoring of intervention.”</p> <p><i>Source: DE Code. Title 24, Sec. 2602.</i></p>	<p>“Telemedicine is the use of telecommunication and information technologies to provide clinical health care at a distance”.</p> <p><i>Source: DE Dept. of Health and Social Svcs., Press Release DHSS-59-2012, (Jun. 27, 2012).</i></p>
<b>Live Video Reimbursement</b>	
No reference found.	<p>The Delaware Medical Assistance Program will reimburse for “telemedicine-delivered services.”</p> <p><i>Source: DE Dept. of Health and Social Svcs., Press Release DHSS-59-2012, (Jun. 27, 2012).</i></p> <p>The GT modifier (which indicates the service occurred via interactive audio and video telecommunication system) can be used for Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment Services through the School Based Health Services program.</p> <p><i>Source: DE School Based Health Services Specific Policy Manual, pg. 62 (May 19, 2013).</i></p>
<b>Store and Forward Reimbursement</b>	
No reference found.	No reference found.
<b>Remote Patient Monitoring Reimbursement</b>	
No reference found.	No reference found.
<b>Email/Phone/FAX</b>	
No reference found.	Federally Qualified Health Centers

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	<p>Telephone consultations are covered services that are included in the payment made to the FQHC and should not be billed as an encounter.</p> <p><i>Source: Delaware FQHC Provider Specific Policy Manual, pg. 5</i></p>
<b>Online Prescribing</b>	
<p>Pharmacists are prohibited from dispensing prescription drug orders through an Internet pharmacy if the pharmacist knows that the prescription order was issued solely on the basis of an Internet consultation or questionnaire, or medical history form submitted to an Internet pharmacy through an Internet site.</p> <p><i>Source: DE Code, Title 16 Sec. 4744 (2012).</i></p>	<p>No reference found.</p>
<b>Consent</b>	
<p>No reference found.</p>	<p>No reference found.</p>
<b>Location</b>	
<p>No reference found.</p>	<p>Eligible originating sites:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hospitals;</li> <li>• Federally qualified health centers (FQHC);</li> <li>• Public health clinics;</li> <li>• Program for All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE) centers.</li> </ul> <p><i>Source: DE Dept. of Health and Social Svcs., Press Release DHSS-59-2012, (Jun. 27, 2012).</i></p>
<b>Cross-State Licensing</b>	
<p>No reference found.</p>	<p>No reference found.</p>
<b>Private Payers</b>	
<p>No reference found.</p>	<p>No reference found.</p>
<b>Site/Transmission Fee</b>	
<p>No reference found.</p>	<p>The originating site will be reimbursed a facility fee for the telemedicine space and equipment.</p> <p><i>Source: DE Dept. of Health and Social Svcs., Press Release DHSS-59-2012, (Jun. 27, 2012).</i></p>
<b>Miscellaneous</b>	

Comments:New Legislation Passed Relating to:

- Physical Therapists and Athletic Trainers (*Source: DE Statute Title 24, Sec. 2602*)