



FREE Webinar-based Orientation Course on TELEMEDICINE PRACTICE GUIDELINES

(Issued by Board of Governors in supersession of Medical Council of India)

NOTICE

FREE OFFER: VALID FROM APRIL 4, 2020 to May 3, 2020; Paid Course thereafter.

BACKGROUND

At the behest of the Board of Governors(BoG), the Telemedicine Society of India, duly supported by DHIndia Association, created and rolled out an online basic orientation course on the Telemedicine Practice Guidelines (TPG) on April 4, 2020 for exclusive benefit of Registered Medical Practitioners (RMPs) enrolled in State Medical Councils across India and with the Medical Council of India.

The BoG desires all RMPs practicing to accord the highest priority to taking this Course to stay safe, while serving as the frontline warriors of the war against COVID 19.

FACTSHEET

On March 25, 2020 (coinciding with the start of the nationwide Lockdown) the TPG were added, by way of an amendment, to the Indian Medical Council (Professional Conduct, Etiquette and Ethics) Regulations 2002, popularly known as the Code of Medical Ethics

- by adding Regulation 3.8 titled “**Consultation by Telemedicine**” and including the TPG at **Appendix 5** to this regulation. The same day the TPG were made available on the MCI website and that of the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Government of India;
- <https://www.mciindia.org/CMS/wp-content/uploads/2019/10/Public Notice for TMG Website Notice-merged.pdf>
- In view of the urgency, this amendment has been published on the MCI website for being afforded statutory basis to the TPG. It benefits all RMPs, patients and other healthcare stakeholders in India, including the Health IT Sector.
- Based the above TPGs, other relevant statutory bodies, for AYUSH doctors, have issued almost identical statutory TPGs on April 7 and 10, 2020.
- <https://www.ayush.gov.in/docs/CCIM Telemedicine Guidelines.pdf>
- <https://cchindia.com/assets/public-notice-telemedicine-practice-guidelines.pdf>
- FAQs issued in April 2020 are at
- <https://mciindia.org/MCIRest/open/getDocument?path=/Documents/Public/Portal/LatestNews/Final FAQ-TELEMEDICINE%20%206-4-2020..pdf>
- The TPGs remove any lingering doubts about the legality of TM/TH in India.

BENEFITS

- An RMP registered with a State Medical Council, without registering with another State Medical Council, are legally allowed to practice all over India without any immediately formality of any kind;
- Effective practice of TM/TH helps you to reduce in-person visits to your OPD/ Clinics, without reducing your income, while supporting social distancing to slow down the spread of COVID 19 and thereby improving the safety of all, including RMPs;
- Provide all RMPs the legal basis for charging a fee for tele-consultations, which may be comparable to fee charged for an in-person visit;
- Store and forward technologies improve your efficiency and income;
- Makes your practice efficient, effective, remunerative and mutually satisfying practice of medicine across most specialities in varying degrees.
- Ignorance of law is never an a valid reason for not following a law. Comprehend how to make creative us of best practices (Do’s & Don’ts) in the TPG relating to: Professional Conduct, Etiquette and Ethics
- Seize the opportunity to discuss synchronously with a panel of TM/TH Subject Matter Experts to clear any doubts you may have on a self-study of the TPG prior to joining the



FREE webinar; in particular learn how to build new fee-based business models for TM/TH fees (Section 3.7.3 of the TPG issued by the BoG)

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