

DEA Telemedicine Controlled Substance Prescribing Compliance for Telehealth Prescribers

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What to have ready

This is IHS's planning list, built from the rule text named above and not from any state's requirements.

- The rule text, 21 CFR 1307.41 and 42 CFR 12.1, as published in Federal Register document 2025-24123 [<https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2025/12/31/2025-24123/fourth-temporary-extension-of-covid-19-telemedicine-flexibilities-for-prescription-of-controlled>].
- Your current controlled substance prescribing policies and visit note templates.
- A list of your prescribers with DEA registration details and the classes each is authorized to prescribe (condition 3).
- A description of your telehealth system and how it meets the reference in 42 CFR 410.78(a)(3) (condition 2).
- The documents that show a legitimate medical purpose and the usual course of professional practice (condition 1).
- The way you check consistency with 21 CFR part 1306, and who owns that check (condition 4).
- The names of your medical director and your counsel.
- Your counsel's written view on which federal and state rules apply to you, if you have one.
- The name of the person who files registrations or submits anything to DEA or a state board.

Bring what you have to the free introductory call.