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Alabama Board of Examiners of Psychologists	Phone: (334) 224-4127 Email: Psychology.Board@Psychology.alabama.gov Website: Click here	1. Yes 2. Yes; guidelines can be found at our website: http://psychology.alabama.gov/emergency.aspx
Alaska Board of Psychological Associate Examiners	Phone: (907) 465-2550 Email: boardofpsychologists@alaska.gov Website: Click here	1. Yes 2. Not at this time. 3. Professionals holding an Alaska Professional License and Alaska Business License may register for the Telemedicine Business Registry.

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Arizona Board of Psychologists Examiners	Phone: (602) 542-8162 Website: Click here	1. The Governor made the declaration on March 11, 2020. 2. Possibly - the Executive Order states: This declaration will provide licensing boards the authority to waive professional licensure requirements, which will support Arizona in maintaining a robust healthcare workforce. 3. Arizona has a statute establishing certain exemptions for licensure including "A person who resides outside of this state and who is currently licensed or certified to practice psychology at the independent level by a licensing jurisdiction of the United States or Canada if the activities and services conducted in this state are within the psychologist's customary area of practice, do not exceed twenty days per year and are not otherwise in violation of this chapter and the client or patient, public or consumer is informed of the limited nature of these activities and services and that the psychologist is not licensed in this state. A person may exceed the twenty-day limitation requirement of this paragraph to assist in public service that is related to a disaster as acknowledged by the board."
California Board of Psychologists Examiners	Phone: (916) 574-7720 Email: bopmail@dca.ca.gov Website: Click here	1. Yes 2. Yes 3. N/A

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Colorado Board of Psychologists Examiners	Phone: (303) 894-7800 Email: DORA_MentalHealthBoard@state.co.us Website: Click here	See Back up Documentation on https://www.asppb.net/page/covid19
Connecticut Board of Examiners of Psychologists	Phone: (860) 509-7603 Email: webmaster.dph@ct.gov Website: Click here	<p>Attached is the directive from the Connecticut Department of Public Health and can also be found at https://portal.ct.gov/Coronavirus/Pages/Emergency-Orders-issued-by-the-Governor-and-State-Agencies.</p> <p>This is the text that accompanied (as of 3/23/2020): Due to a potential healthcare workforce strain from the COVID 19 situation, the Commissioner of Public Health has signed the attached order that allows specified practitioners licensed in another state to work in Connecticut without obtaining a Connecticut license for up to 60 days. There are no forms to complete or any type of notification to the Department required.</p> <p>PLEASE NOTE: Out-of-state practitioners will be unable to prescribe controlled substances until there is an Executive Order specific to prescribing controlled substances under these circumstances.</p> <p>See Back up Documentation on https://www.asppb.net/page/covid19</p>

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Delaware Board of Examiners of Psychologists	Phone: (302) 744-4500 Email: customerservice.dpr@state.de.us Website: Click here	<p><i>These updates go into effect at 8:00 a.m., March 19, and will last until the State of Emergency is rescinded.</i></p> <p>Governor Carney ...temporarily lifted regulations to expand access to telemedicine. Under the modified declaration:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Patients do not need to present in-person before telemedicine services may be provided. • Delaware residents do not need to be present in Delaware at the time the telemedicine services are provided. • Any out of state healthcare provider who would be permitted to provide telemedicine services in Delaware if they were licensed under Title 24 may provide telemedicine services to a Delaware resident if they hold an active license in another jurisdiction. • https://news.delaware.gov/2020/03/18/governor-carney-issues-second-update-to-emergency-declaration/ <p>At present, telemedicine guidelines still indicate that phone with video capability be utilized--we are awaiting updated information with hopes that restriction will also be, temporarily, lifted in an effort to expand access to care during this state of emergency.</p>

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Delaware Board of Examiners of Psychologists <i>(Continued)</i>		Furthermore, we are anticipating clearances to provide telehealth services from places other than the official office of licensed provider, which would expand opportunities for providers to practice social distancing and self-quarantine as needed.
District of Columbia	Phone: (202) 442-5955 Email: doh@dc.gov Website: Click here	DC has issued an Administrative Order addressing licensure waiver and providing guidance as it relates to telehealth for all Health Professionals. The Order will remain in effect during the period of Public Health Emergency as declared by the Mayor. Information has been placed on www.coronavirus.dc.gov and sent to all active licensees.

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Florida Board of Psychology	Phone: (850) 488-0595 Email: info@floridapsychology.gov Website: Click here	<p>Please see the attached Executive Orders and Florida’s statutory reference regarding telehealth in response to your inquiries. Additional information is available through Florida’s COVID Public Website and Call Center at COVID-19 webpage and by phone to 1 (866) 779-6121. The Call Center is available 24 hours a day. Inquiries may also be emailed to COVID-19@flhealth.gov.</p> <p>For purposes of preparing for, responding to, and mitigating any effect of COVID-19, health care professionals not licensed in this state may provide health care services to a patient in this state using telehealth, notwithstanding the requirements of section 456.47(4)(a) through (c), (h), and (i), Florida Statutes, for a period not to exceed 30 days unless extended by order of the State Surgeon General. In addition to the allowed professions under Department of Health Emergency Order 20-002, this exemption shall apply to the following out of state health care professionals holding a valid, clear, and unrestricted license in another state or territory in the United States who are not currently under investigation or prosecution in any disciplinary proceeding in any of the states in which they hold a license: clinical social workers, marriage and family therapists, mental health counselors, and psychologists.</p> <p>This order supersedes section 456.47, Florida Statutes, which requires a FL license or an out-of-state telehealth provider registration to perform telehealth services. You may learn more about telehealth in Florida at http://www.flhealthsource.gov/telehealth/.</p>

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Hawaii Board of Psychology	Phone: (808) 586-2704 Email: psychology@dcca.hawaii.gov Website: Click here	Currently we are not in a state of emergency, thus we are business as usual. Lastly, our statutes are silent on the practice of telemedicine, telehealth, or telepsychology. The Board has noted though that the practice if done in Hawaii by a licensee must follow the laws of other jurisdictions where their patient may be.
Idaho Board of Psychological Examiners	Phone: (208) 334-3233 Email: psy@ibol.idaho.gov Website: Click here	1. No 2. No 3. No
Kentucky Board of Examiners of Psychology	Phone: (502) 564-3296 Website: Click here	See Back up Documentation on https://www.asppb.net/page/covid19

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Louisiana Board of Psychologist Examiners	Phone: (225) 925-6511 Email: admin@lsbep.la.gov Website: Click here	Please visit http://www.lsbep.org/ for the latest information.
Maine Board of Examiners of Psychologists	Phone: (207) 624-8603 Email: psych.lic@maine.gov Website: Click here	See Back up Documentation on https://www.asppb.net/page/covid19
Maryland Board of Examiners of Psychologists	Phone: (410) 764-4787 Website: Click here	If an out-of-state psychologist wants to practice telehealth with a MD resident, you need to apply for the normal temporary licensure via their website form . https://health.maryland.gov/psych/pdfs/Temporarypracticeapplication.pdf

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New Hampshire Board of Psychology	Phone: (603) 271-6745 Website: Click here	https://www.governor.nh.gov/news-media/emergency-orders/documents/emergency-order-8.pdf
New Jersey Board of Psychological Examiners	Phone: (973) 504-6470 Website: Click here	NJ is offering temporary 3-month licenses for mental health practitioners in other states to practice telehealth in NJ by filling out a brief application. Turn around time for approval is supposed to be 24 hours. New Jersey Division of Consumer Affairs Press Release
New York State Board for Psychology	Phone: (518) 474-3817, ext 150 Website: Click here	See Back up Documentation on https://www.asppb.net/page/covid19
Pennsylvania State Board of Psychology	Phone: (717) 783-7155 Email: ST-PSYCHOLOGY@pa.gov Website: Click here	Please see notice found at the following link: https://www.dos.pa.gov/Documents/2020-03-23-Psychology-Social-Work.pdf See Back up Documentation on https://www.asppb.net/page/covid19

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Psychological Association of Manitoba	Phone: (204) 487-0784 Email: pam@mymts.net Website: Click here	On a time limited basis (TBD) MB has extended our temporary practice time frame to 60 days (from 30) to accommodate needs secondary to COVID-19.
Maryland Board of Examiners of Psychologists	Phone: (410) 764-4787 Email: mdh.psychologyboard@maryland.gov Website: Click here	1. Yes 2. Not at this time 3. Yes. We have a temporary practice application for out-of-state psychologists seeking permission to practice in person or by telepsychology for a brief time and a specific reason.

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Michigan Board of Psychology	Phone: (517) 335-0918 Email: BHCSHelp@michigan.gov Website: Click here	1. Yes 2. Not at this time as the state response is fluid. 3. Not at this time as the state response is fluid.
Minnesota Board of Psychology	Phone: (612) 617-2230 Email: psychology.board@state.mn.us Website: Click here	1. Not at this time. 2. N/A 3. Yes, Minnesota has a 30 day carve out in statute for psychologists not looking to become licensed in the state, but are looking to provide continuity of care for people temporarily in Minnesota or who recently moved to Minnesota and need some care while transitioning to a Minnesota licensed psychologist.

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Missouri State Committee of Psychologists	Phone: (573) 751-0099 Email: scop@pr.mo.gov Website: Click here	1. Not at this time 2. N/A 3. Here is the exemption statute (5) The practice of psychology in the state of Missouri for a temporary period by a person who resides outside the state of Missouri, and who is licensed or certified to practice psychology in another state and conducts the major part of his or her practice outside the state. The temporary period shall not exceed ten consecutive business days in any period of ninety days, nor in the aggregate exceed fifteen business days in any nine-month period; See Back up Documentation on https://www.asppb.net/page/covid19

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Nevada Board of Psychological Examiners	Phone: (775) 688-1268 Email: nbop@govmail.state.nv.us Website: Click here	1. Yes, Governor Sisolak issued a State of Emergency on March 13th, 2020. 2. Not at this time. The Nevada Board of Psychological Examiners is monitoring closely and will update if this changes. 3. NRS 641.190 Licensing or limited practice authorization of psychologist licensed or certified in another state. The Board may: 1. Grant a license as a psychologist without any examination to any person certified or licensed by a board of psychological examiners of another state if the Board determines that the requirements in that state are at least equivalent to the requirements of this chapter. 2. Authorize a psychologist licensed or certified pursuant to the laws of another state to practice psychology for 1 year or less if the psychologist has: (a) Made application to the Board for licensure; (b) Met the requirements of education and experience for licensure in this State; and (c) Not been disciplined in another state in connection with a license to practice psychology or has not committed any act in another state which is a violation of this chapter.

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College of Psychologists of New Brunswick	Phone: (506) 382-1994 Email: admin@cpcb.ca Website: Click here	4. No 5. N/A 6. Yes
New Jersey Board of Psychological Examiners	Phone: (973) 504-6470 Website: click here	1. The Division of Consumer Affairs, which houses the NJ Board of Psychological Examiners is still operational as of this email. The NJ Governor did declare a state of emergency earlier this week. 2. N/A 3. Yes. Please visit the below link and follow the instructions provided https://www.njconsumeraffairs.gov/Pages/Accelerated-Temporary-Licensure.aspx
New York State Board for Psychology	Phone: (518) 474-3717, ext 150 Email: psychbd@nysed.gov Website: Click here	1. The Governor has declared a state of emergency that lasts a short time and has to be renewed for orders to last beyond the emergency. 2. The original order permitted the use of unlicensed persons in proven need. 3. This does not appear to include interjurisdictional telepsychology practice. 4. Those employed by settings regulated by the Office of Mental Hygiene To do telepractice must be licensed by NYS, meet the confidentiality requirements, send a report of service to a particular person, and use certain insurance designations.

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Newfoundland and Labrador Psychology Board	Phone: (709) 579-6313 Email: registrar@nbep.info Website: Click here	1. No 2. A 3. Unless someone practicing telepsychology from one of our Atlantic Provinces, they need to apply for a Courtesy (temporary) registration which allows them 30 days of continuous in a calendar in our jurisdiction. The person can request an extension (of up to 30 more days), should they need it.
North Carolina Psychology Board	Phone: (828) 262-2258 Email: info@ncpsychologyboard.org Website: Click here	Update: The Governor has temporarily waived licensure requirements for psychologists licensed in other states to practice in North Carolina. If a psychologist licensed in another state wants to telepsych into North Carolina, s/he must first contact the NC Psychology Board so that licensure in the other state can be confirmed.
Nova Scotia Board of Examiners in Psychology	Phone: (902) 423-2238 Email: nsbep@nsbep.org Website: http://www.nsbep.org/	1. Not yet 2. 3. We have an existing Memorandum of Understanding with three of our neighboring provinces (New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, Newfoundland and Labrador) that provides a few simple steps to allow telepsychology between each province. We also have a courtesy registry that allows for 15 (and up to 30) days of telepsychology or in person psychology (requires appropriate liability insurance and full registration with no sanctions in home province).

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Ohio State Board of Psychology	Phone: (614) 466-8808 Email: info@psy.ohio.gov Website: Click here	Ohio has amended requirements and permissions concerning temporary practice via telecommunications into Ohio. 1) Permission to practice eligibility is extended to all valid independent psychologist licenses at the doctoral and master's level. Previously, a doctoral degree was required. 2) The length of authority was extended from 30 practice days to 90 practice days. 3) At the psychologist's discretion, 90 practice days may be extended to supervisees with clients living in Ohio. Supervisees must practice psychology under supervision of the authorized psychologist in their home state. 4) Academic transcript is waived. 5) The \$150 application fee remains in place until further notice.
Oklahoma State Board of Examiners of Psychologists	Phone: (405) 522-1333 Website: Click here	1. No, not yet. 2. N/A 3. Our law allows individuals whom are licensed in another state to practice up to five days in Oklahoma, provided that they inform the Board prior to providing services.

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Oregon Board of Psychology	Phone: (503) 378-4154 Email: psychology.board@state.or.us Website: Click here	Oregon is the same as Ohio.
College of Psychologists of Ontario	Phone: (416) 961-8817 Email: cpo@cpo.on.ca Website: Click here	Please see Psychological Services by Out of Province Practitioners to Clients Temporarily Relocated to Ontario The link behind this, if it doesn't work is: http://www.cpo.on.ca/Templates/Default-Inner-Page.aspx?id=2269 See Back up Documentation on https://www.asppb.net/page/covid19

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Pennsylvania State Board of Psychology	Phone: (717) 783-7155 Email: ST-PSYCHOLOGY@pa.gov Website: Click here	<p>We just received this message from Governor Wolf. He has granted an emergency waiver that allows out of state licensees to use telehealth services to serve Pennsylvania residents during this crisis.</p> <p>Here is the text of his message below including the conditions that must be met before the out of state licensed practitioner can practice in Pennsylvania. https://www.media.pa.gov/Pages/State-Details.aspx?newsid=375</p>
Prince Edward Island Psychologists Regulation Board	Phone: (902) 566-0549 Website: Click here	<p>Update from Prince Edward Island as of, 16 March:</p> <p>During the time of the COVID-19 health crisis, psychologists registered in jurisdictions outside of Atlantic Canada (and who are not eligible for practice into PEI as part of the Atlantic Telepsychology MOU) who are continuing, or renewing, a professional relationship with a client who has moved to PEI are eligible for a "Special Certificate" permitting telepsychology practice into PEI with that client. The "Special Certificate" will be granted upon simple notification to the PEIPRB Registrar with the psychologist's contact information and home jurisdiction registration number; no application form or fee is required.</p>

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Rhode Island Board of Psychology	Phone: (401) 222-5960 Email: Website: Click here	1. YES 2. NO 3. Yes, please read below. It is the determination of the RI Board of Psychology that a RI licensed psychologist may practice Tele-Health in RI as Tele-Health is considered to be within the scope of practice for psychologists. RI also allows a psychologist licensed in another state to practice in RI for 10 days per calendar year, per RI General Law (RIGL) 5-44-23 (h) in RI. At this time the Board would consider contact by a psychologist licensed in another state with a patient physically located in RI as 1 day counted toward that limit. Associated with this provision, a psychologist licensed and physically located in another state may practice Tele-Health from their home state to a patient / client physically located in RI. Please also find a link for an Application, should you choose to seek a RI license for future use. https://health.ri.gov/licenses/ RIGL http://webserver.rilin.state.ri.us/Statutes/TITLE5/5-44/INDEX.HTM Rules & Regulations https://risos-apa-production-public.s3.amazonaws.com/DOH/REG_9966_20180811131746.pdf

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Rhode Island Board of Psychology <i>(Continued)</i>		Application http://www.health.ri.gov/applications/Psychologist.pdf
Saskatchewan College of Psychologists	Phone: (306) 352-1699 Email: skcp@sasktel.net Website: Click here	1. No 2. N/A 3. If this was a reality the College would most likely look to be flexible and have a common sense approach – we do have temp. licensure for psychologists licensed in Canada, and of course we have the mobility agreement for Canadian registrants who wish a full license – we do not currently have a mechanism for expedited admission for psychologists licensed in the USA.
South Carolina Board of Examiners of Psychology	Phone: (803) 896-4664 Email: psychology@llr.sc.gov Website: Click here	1. Yes 2. During the period of the declared public health emergency, the Board will suspect enforcement of South Carolina licensing provisions for psychologists who are licensed out-of-state, who have an established client relationship with an individual who is now residing in South Carolina, to allow continuance of the therapeutic relationship by means of telecommunication.

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South Dakota Board of Examiners of Psychologists	Phone: (605) 642-1660 Email: proflic@rushmore.com Website: Click here	1. No 2. 3. Please see the following Statute. Temporary practice is currently allowed in South Dakota. However, telepsychology is not specifically addressed under South Dakota law. 36-27A-2. Exempt persons. The provisions of this chapter do not apply to the following persons: (4) Persons who are not residents of this state, and who have not established offices in this state, who render psychological services in this state for a period which does not exceed an aggregate of more than twenty days during any one year, if they are authorized under the laws of the state or country of their residence to perform these activities and services. If a provider exceeds ten consecutive days of practice in this state in any calendar year the provider shall report to the board, in writing, the nature and extent of the provider's practice in this state;
Tennessee Board of Examiners of Psychology	Phone: (615) 741 5735 or 1-800-778-4123 Website: Click here	1. Yes 2. Yes, if the licensee is assisting in the medical response to COVID-19 3. No

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Texas Board of Examiners of Psychologists	Phone: (512) 305-7700 Email: scop@pr.mo.gov Website: Click here	1. Some local jurisdictions have, but not the state. 2. N/A 3. A license in Texas, whether regular or temporary, allows a person to practice either in-person or remotely...we do not distinguish between or place additional restrictions on individuals practicing remotely. Moreover, we actually have a provision in statute that allows individuals licensed out-of-state and in good standing, to practice in Texas within the declared disaster area without a Texas license. See 418.171 of the Government Code.
Utah Psychology Licensing Board	Phone: (801) 530-6628 Toll-Free: (866) 275-3675 Website: Click here	Psychologists <i>*are*</i> included under the Declared Emergency Practice Exemptions. Out-of-state psychologists should complete the application mentioned (and linked-to) on the Utah DOPL Covid-19 page. The URL for that application is: https://dopl.utah.gov/forms/Emergency_Health_Care_Temp_App.pdf
Virginia Board of Psychology	Phone: (804) 367-4697 Email: psy@dhp.virginia.gov Website: Click here	1. Virginia has not yet declared a state of emergency. 2. N/A 3. We do not allow temporary practice.

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Washington State Examining Board of Psychology	Phone: (360) 236-4700 Email: hsga.csc@doh.wa.gov Website: Click here	1. Yes, on February 29, 2020 2. Not yet, although things are changing daily 3. Two Options: 1) Temporary Practice Permit a) No fee for permit b) 90 calendar (not consecutive) days within one year from date of issuance c) Includes telehealth services d) Available to those with a full psychologist license in a substantially equivalent state or who meet other qualifying criteria 2) Emergency Volunteer Healthcare Providers
West Virginia Board of Psychologists	Phone: (304) 558-3040 Email: psychbd@wv.gov Website: Click here	1. No 2. 3. We do have a 10 day permit for those with a psychology license in another state
Wisconsin Psychology Examining Board	Phone: (608) 266-2112 Email: dsps@wisconsin.gov Website: Click here	1. Yes 2. No yet 3. Re: temporary practice, WI allows licensed psychologists to provide up to 60 days of professional service without holding a WI license; The psychologists shall report to

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<p>Wisconsin Psychology Examining Board</p> <p><i>(Continued)</i></p>		<p>the board the nature and extent of his or her practice in this state if it exceeds 20 working days within a year.</p> <p>RE: telepsychological practice, in WI a psychologist provides psychological services in this state whenever the patient or client is located in this state regardless of where the psychologist is located.</p> <p>Contact: Yolanda McGowan, Division Administrator; email— Yolanda.McGowan@wisconsin.gov Phone: 608.266.2112</p> <p>Website: https://dsps.wi.gov/pages/BoardsCouncils/Psychology/Default.aspx Email for questions: dsps@wi.gov</p> <p>II. Supervision Hours for Licensure via Tele-Means.</p> <p>1. Would hours count for licensure in light of classes that have been cancelled/schools closes and supervision/services needing to be held by tele-means? Not yet decided.</p> <p>III. CE Requirements.</p>

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Wisconsin Psychology Examining Board (Continued)		1. Is WI considering adjusting its CE requirements (if that is possible) in view of the challenges/licenses may encounter in the coming weeks/months getting to planned CE events? Not yet decided.

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