

# **UNDERSTANDING TELEPSYCHOLOGY: INTRODUCTION TO THE ETHICS AND LEGALITY OF VIDEOCONFERENCING- BASED TELEHEALTH SERVICES**

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Zoom Webinar**

The integration of videoconferencing with mental healthcare services has seen rapid expansion. To ensure successful practice, providers must be aware of the logistics of evidence-informed use. This introductory program outlines key research-informed aspects of the utilization of videoconferencing in clinical practice, with an emphasis on the ethical and legal considerations required to foster appropriate and secure practice.

*Level of Curriculum Content: Intermediate*

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## ABOUT THE PRESENTER

**Jonathan Perle, PhD., ABPP** is a board-certified clinical child and adolescent psychologist, associate professor, and director of telepsychology at the West Virginia University School of Medicine. In addition to his current responsibilities that include trainee education, specialty clinic management, and conducting research, Dr. Perle provides both face-to-face and virtual psychological care. Beginning in his graduate education and spanning his ongoing career, Dr. Perle has studied, written about, and taught about telehealth. Combined works have resulted in peer-reviewed publications, a videoconferencing-focused book, articles in national periodicals, professional presentations, expert interviews for media, consultative services including his participation in the American Psychological Association's revision for the Professional Practice Guidelines for Telepsychology, and his design and implementation of one of the first recognized telehealth-specific doctoral-level courses for clinical psychology students. Dr. Perle has also been recognized as a psychological innovator by the American Psychological Association's *Monitor* for his work designing an evidence-based and HIPAA-compliant smartphone application related to parent management training. In addition to serving as a reviewer for multiple journals, he serves as an editorial board member for the *Journal of Technology in Behavioral Sciences*.

## PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

Participants will be able to:

- Identify the key elements of contemporary videoconferencing-based research.
- Identify and detail at least three common ethical and/or legal considerations for videoconferencing-based practice.
- Describe considerations with cross-jurisdiction videoconferencing-based practice.

## PROGRAM AGENDA

9:00am – 9:10am	Introduction
9:10am – 9:45am	Background, terminology, and utility of telehealth services
9:45am - 10:30am	Competencies, ethical and legal considerations
10:30am - 11:40am	Ethical and legal considerations (continued)
11:40am – 12:00pm	Questions and answers

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