

ANSWERS TO WEBINAR QUESTIONS AVOIDING TELEHEALTH DOCUMENTATION WOES

For telehealth, could we actually enter the vital signs into the Medical Assistant field in the EMR, so it gets plotted and saved there (not just in the note). Is that legal?

Yes, the vitals can be re-recorded in the EMR for tracking/ historical data, so long as it is originally documented in the chart note, by the provider, and the chart note specifically states that the vital sign information was obtained from the patient. I would recommend a reconciliation process, to validate the data entry, so that you are ensuring that those numbers match, to prevent any unintended discrepancies between the note and the EMR.