

WAC 246-924-051 Telesupervision standards. (1) Telesupervision is supervision of psychological services through synchronous audio and video format where the supervisor is not in the same physical facility as the trainee. There is no predetermined limit on the number of hours that may be provided through telesupervision.

(2) A supervisor shall ensure that the trainee has a sufficient level of competence to justify the use of telesupervision in their training.

(3) A program using any amount of telesupervision must have a written policy addressing their use of telesupervision including, but not limited to:

- (a) An explicit rationale for using telesupervision;
- (b) How telesupervision is consistent with their overall aims and training outcomes;
- (c) How and when telesupervision is utilized in clinical training;
- (d) How it is determined which trainees can participate in telesupervision;
- (e) How an off-site supervisor maintains full professional responsibility for clinical cases;
- (f) How nonscheduled consultation and crisis coverage are managed;
- (g) How privacy and confidentiality of the clients and trainees are assured;
- (h) The technology and quality requirements and any education in the use of this technology that is required by either trainee or supervisor;
- (i) How much of the supervision may be provided through telehealth;
- (j) How the program engages in self-assessment of trainee outcomes and satisfaction with use of telesupervision versus in-person supervision;
- (k) How it ensures that supervisors are competent to provide telesupervision;
- (l) How the program ensures the trainee has sufficient socialization into the profession;
- (m) How diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility issues are considered and addressed in telesupervision;
- (n) How the supervision relationship is established, facilitated, maintained, and monitored within telesupervision; and
- (o) What circumstances would lead to changing between telesupervision and in-person supervision.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 18.83 RCW, RCW 18.83.050, 18.130.800, 2023 c 425, and 2024 c 371. WSR 25-15-068, s 246-924-051, filed 7/14/25, effective 8/14/25.]