

A M E N D M E N T

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TO: SB 98

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1 Page 1, line 2, following "examination":

2 Insert "by a physician; relating to the delivery of services by a licensed
3 professional counselor, marriage and family therapist, psychologist, psychologist
4 assistant, and social worker by audio, video, or data communications"
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6 Page 1, following line 3:

7 Insert new bill sections to read:

8 **"* Section 1.** AS 08.29.400 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

9 (b) The board may not impose disciplinary sanctions on a licensee for the
10 evaluation, diagnosis, or treatment of a person through audio, video, or data
11 communications when physically separated from the person if

12 (1) the licensee or another licensed health care provider is available to
13 provide follow-up care; and

14 (2) the licensee requests that the person consent to sending a copy of
15 all records of the encounter to a primary care provider if the licensee is not the
16 person's primary care provider and, if the person consents, the licensee sends the
17 records to the person's primary care provider.

18 *** Sec. 2.** AS 08.63.210 is amended by adding new subsections to read:

19 (c) The board may not impose disciplinary sanctions on a licensee for the
20 evaluation, diagnosis, supervision, or treatment of a person through audio, video, or
21 data communications when physically separated from the person if

22 (1) the licensee or another licensed health care provider is available to
23 provide follow-up care;

1 (2) the licensee requests that the person consent to sending a copy of
2 all records of the encounter to a primary care provider if the licensee is not the
3 person's primary care provider and, if the person consents, the licensee sends the
4 records to the person's primary care provider; and

5 (3) the licensee meets the requirements established by the board in
6 regulation.

7 (d) The board shall adopt regulations restricting evaluation, diagnosis,
8 supervision, and treatment authorized under (c) of this section by establishing
9 standards for training, confidentiality, supervision, practice, and related issues."

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11 Page 1, line 4:

12 Delete "Section 1"

13 Insert "Sec. 3"

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15 Renumber the following bill sections accordingly.

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17 Page 2, following line 16:

18 Insert new bill sections to read:

19 "* Sec. 5. AS 08.86.204 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

20 (c) The board may not impose disciplinary sanctions on a licensee for the
21 evaluation, diagnosis, or treatment of a person through audio, video, or data
22 communications when physically separated from the person if

23 (1) the licensee or another licensed health care provider is available to
24 provide follow-up care; and

25 (2) the licensee requests that the person consent to sending a copy of all
26 records of the encounter to a primary care provider if the licensee is not the person's
27 primary care provider and, if the person consents, the licensee sends the records to the
28 person's primary care provider.

29 * Sec. 6. AS 08.95.050 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

30 (b) The board may not impose disciplinary sanctions on a licensee for the
31 evaluation, diagnosis, or treatment of a person through audio, video, or data

1 communications when physically separated from the person if

2 (1) the licensee or another licensed health care provider is available to
3 provide follow-up care; and

4 (2) the licensee requests that the person consent to sending a copy of all
5 records of the encounter to a primary care provider if the licensee is not the person's
6 primary care provider and, if the person consents, the licensee sends the records to the
7 person's primary care provider."