



# Telehealth: Across State Lines

## THE PROBLEM: STATE-BY-STATE LICENSING CREATES BARRIERS TO TELEHEALTH

Most states require a physician to obtain a license to practice medicine in each state where the patient is located. This keeps needed physicians from delivering high-quality care across state lines and **limits access and options for patients.**



State licenses **restrict physicians to their state.**



**Big barriers exist** for physicians to treat across state lines.

## THE SOLUTION: FEWER BARRIERS, MORE CARE

**Update telehealth licensing requirements** to allow doctors to practice medicine across state lines.



This proven solution **eliminates a patient's geography as a determinate factor** in their health outcome.



Everyone deserves **access to high-quality providers.**



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## WHO IT HELPS



Individuals who live in **rural areas**



Those with **chronic conditions** who need continual care



**Disabled or elderly patients** who struggle to make it to traditional clinics



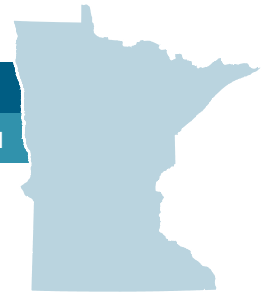
Those who **relocate or travel extensively**

## THE IMPACT

While walking his dog, Larry Lee was disabled by a stroke. Larry's wife called 911 and he was taken to the closest Minnesota hospital; but the rural hospital didn't have a full-time neurologist on staff. Thankfully, the hospital utilized available telehealth services to video call a stroke specialist—miles away in Rochester, Minnesota. Through the use of telehealth, brain-saving medications were started before Larry was put on a helicopter to Rochester.

Larry Lee

Minnesota



Had Larry lived just 30 miles farther south, in Iowa, they might not have been able to video conference the specialist in Rochester. It is illegal for a physician in Minnesota to provide care to a patient in Iowa without an Iowa state license.

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