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## Policy for Telepractice / TeleRehab, Virtual Check-In, E-Visit Services **And Consent for Services**

for Assessment and/or Therapy Services with RSI

Dear Potential Telepractice/TeleRehab, Virtual Check-In, or E-Visit Client and caregiver:

We are excited to offer Telepractice / TeleRehab, Virtual Check-Ins and E-Visits as part of our repertoire of services at RSI. These offerings are not a particular type of therapy, rather it is a means for delivery of your regular therapy program. The American Speech and Hearing Association (ASHA); American Occupational Therapy Association (AOTA); and American Physical Therapy Association (APTA) [governing bodies for all therapists] all support the use of Telepractice as a means to deliver therapy services as long as consideration is given to the individual circumstances. Among other things, they suggest that the services be appropriate for the particular client. We are also offering Virtual Check-Ins and E-Visits.

We may determine that Telepractice, Virtual Check-Ins or E-Visits are appropriate for a particular client only in certain situations, or the client's suitability may change over time.

Per ASHA, AOTA & APTA guidance, we will consider the following client characteristics when determining suitability for Telepractice, Virtual Check-Ins & E-Visits:

- Physical / Sensory characteristics (including hearing ability, dexterity, endurance)
- Cognitive / Behavioral / motivational characteristics (including ability to "attend" the session)
- Communication characteristics (including comprehension, literacy, intelligibility)
- Client's support resources (including availability of technology, environment, caregiver)

By signing below, we are committing to participate in Telepractice, Virtual Check-Ins or E-Visit sessions. We understand that we must report on-time and as scheduled for the sessions.

Our therapists are licensed where the client is located (that is, DC license for clients in DC, Maryland license for clients in Maryland). The platform for telehealth may or may not be HIPAA compliant – we will determine platform suitability based on current recommendations by CDC, HHS, CMS & other regulatory or advising agencies. You have the right to accept or decline the recommendation for Telepractice, Virtual Check-Ins or E-Visit services. Please ask any questions to ensure your comfort level with this means of therapy delivery.

## CLIENT ACCEPTANCE OR DECLINATION OF TELEPRACTICE SERVICES & THE TERMS OUTLINED ABOVE:

☐ Yes I consent to Telerehab, Virtual Check-Ins Or E-Visits for Assessment and/or Therapy	□ no – I do NOT wish to participate in Telerehab, Virtual Check-Ins, or E-Visits for Assessment and/or Therapy
Client Printed Name	<del></del>
Signature of Client or Responsible Party	