

True or False: Debunking the Legislation

I can provide Virtual Care/Telerehab to patients in another province with my Manitoba license.

False. As virtual care has become more prevalent in the past few years, the topic of licensing to provide these services has been reviewed by Regulators across Canada. The current Memorandum of Understanding states that a physiotherapist must be registered both in the province where they are practicing from as well as in the province where the patient resides to provide virtual care. It would be the physiotherapist's responsibility to contact the provincial College in the province where the care is to be provided to discuss the licensing requirements. However, if a patient from Manitoba was to leave the province temporarily, a Manitoba physiotherapist could continue to provide ongoing care through virtual means. For example, a patient goes to their cabin in Ontario for three weeks. This exception only applies to care within Canada and must only be related to a time-limited absence.