

645—243.1(154B) Definitions.

“*APA*” means the American Psychological Association.

“*Clinical records*” means records created by a licensee regarding the observation and treatment of patients, such as progress notes, but does not include psychotherapy notes.

“*Examinee*” means a person who is the subject of a forensic examination for the purpose of informing a decision maker or attorney about the psychological functioning of that examinee.

“*HIPAA*” means the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 and regulations promulgated thereunder.

“*Licensee*” or “*licensed*” means an individual with an active license to practice psychology, including a provisional license, or a certificate of exemption issued by the board.

“*Patient*” means an individual under the care of a licensee in a clinical role and is synonymous with the term client.

“*Personal representative*” means a person authorized to act on behalf of the patient in making health care-related decisions. A personal representative may include a parent or legal guardian, an individual with a health care power of attorney, an individual with a general power of attorney or durable power of attorney that includes the power to make health care decisions, or a court-appointed legal guardian.

“*Psychotherapy notes*” means notes recorded by a licensee documenting or analyzing the contents of a conversation during a private therapy session with a patient, or a group, joint, or family therapy session, that are maintained separately from the patient’s clinical records. Psychotherapy notes excludes medication prescription monitoring, counseling session start and stop times, the modalities and frequencies of treatment furnished, results of any clinical tests, and any summary of the following items: diagnosis, functional status, treatment plan, symptoms, prognosis, and progress to date.

“*Telepsychology*” means the provision of psychological services using telecommunication technologies.

“*Test data*” means raw and scaled scores, patient responses to test questions or stimuli, and notes and recordings concerning patient statements and behavior during an examination.

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