

Dear members of the House Health Care Committee,

I am writing with a heartfelt plea to ask for your support for H.84 allowing for patient consent for recording of telemedicine appointments. This will allow healthcare providers to use tools we are using for in-person visits and extend the benefits to patients regardless of how their visits take place.

I finished seeing my last patient in my evening clinic at 8pm on Monday and because I was able to use our visit recording and note generation tool, my notes were signed and done by 830p. Before we had access to these tools, I was regularly finishing notes at 930 or 10p or even the next day. More importantly, I love that these tools allow me to focus on the patient in front of me - I no longer have to scramble to take notes and listen and can just sit back and fully engage with the patient.

Please vote in support of H.84 allowing providers to use these tools for telehealth visits. These small changes make a big difference in the wellbeing of our healthcare providers and their ability to take excellent care of Vermonters.

Warmly,

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