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Dear Colleagues,

Neuropsychologists are deeply impacted by the pandemic given the special services you provide. We wanted to alert you of our efforts to team with other organizations representing the discipline to advocate for you and provide you with helpful information.

As you may know, we are a member of the Inter Organizational Practice Committee (IOPC), which is a coalition of representatives of the major Neuropsychology organizations in the US. The member groups are the American Academy of Clinical Neuropsychology (AACN), Division 40 of the American Psychological Association (APA), the National Academy of Neuropsychology (NAN), the American Board of Professional Neuropsychology (ABN), and the American Psychological Association Services, Inc.

Over the years, the IOPC has joined forces on numerous occasions to nimbly and rapidly provide resources and expertise to advocate to improve the practice climate and access to high quality neuropsychological care for our patients. In light of dramatic access to care issues due to the coronavirus pandemic, our IOPC member organizations have activated an IOPC COVID-tele-neuropsychology advocacy team. Team members include national experts in CPT coding and reimbursement, technology, large group practices, regional private insurance/ Medicare, primary care neuropsychology, access for multilingual/multicultural populations, APA Practice healthcare finance and APA Practice legal staff.

Our goal over the next several days is to create a repository of high-quality guidance and resources developed by our member organizations. This information will be hosted on www.iopc.online, and will include links to IOPC members’ websites. These links are currently active and more will be available in the next few days:

- Telehealth and Tele-Neuropsychology CPT codes
- APA telehealth Guidelines
- AACN/NAN Computer Testing Guidelines
- List of currently accessible Telepsychology ethics and practice webinars
- Tele-neuropsychology research
The following resources are being developed by our member organizations and other partners, and will be available in the near future:

- Seminars on in Tele-Neuropsychology
- Best Practice Considerations for Tele-Neuropsychology
- Models of Tele-Neuropsychology practice

IOPC member organizations are committed to supporting access to high quality neuropsychology care in the midst of the pandemic. It is our intent to provide you with resources as you consider the most appropriate telehealth approaches for your practice. You should continue to consider any potential limitations that may exist when implementing such approaches, including but not limited to, rules or regulations on the implementation of telehealth services in your particular state or institution and limitations on implementation or reimbursement of these services that may exist across payers. We believe that these resources will additionally serve as a foundation to support implementation of evidence based tele-neuropsychology services into the future.

Sincerely,

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