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Department of Biomedical Engineering

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Course Name: 19BMO401 & TELEHEALTH TECHNOLOGY

IV Year: VII Semester

Unit 4 -ETHICAL AND LEGAL ASPECTS OF MEDICINE

Topic: Jurisdictional Issues



JURISDICTION



> Jurisdiction problems

- > forum for resolution of disputes
- **>** licensure
- > insurance
- > reimbursement

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New Clinical Risks



- > the teleconsultant acting beyond his ability
- > quality of reproduction of pathology slides and radiographs
- > improper or negligent delegation

> poor training of teleconsultants

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- > unclear delineation of responsibility
- > lack of telemedical equipment
- > adverse incidents involving telemedicine equipment
- > communication problems

> "telecomplacency"

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THE LAW



- ➤ Common law duty of confidentialit
- ➤ Data Protection Act 1998 (EU Directive);
- Computer Misuse Act 1990;
- Access to Health Records Act 1990;
- Access to Medical Records Act 1988.

- > Laws relating to....
- > Copyright;
- > Public Records; and
- > Electronic documents & digital signatures.

THE LAW





The Data Protection Act (implementing the EU Directive) requires that data:

- must be processed fairly and lawfully;
- > must be collected for explicit and legitimate purposes;
- > must be adequate, relevant and not excessive in relation to the purpose for which it is collected and/or processed
- > must be accurate and, where necessary, kept up to date; and
- » must be kept in a form which permits identification of data subjects for no longer than is necessary for the purposes for which the data were collected or for which they are further processed

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- Personal data may only be processed if the data subject (i.e., the caller) has unambiguously given their informed consent. Moreover:
- > Article 12: the data subject must be informed of their rights of access to the data and their rights to have any inaccuracies in them rectified.
- > Article 25(1): it is illegal to transmit information to another country that doesn't have adequate data protection laws.