

Northeast TRC Nov. 2019 Legislative Update

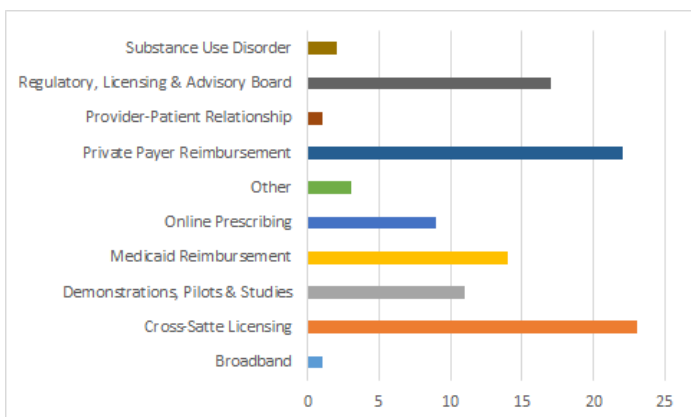
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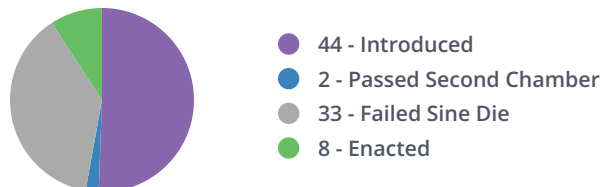
A few notes about this report:

1. Bills are organized into specific telehealth "topic area".
2. The Fiscal Note (FN) Outlook: The left hand column indicates the bill's Pre-Floor Score, and the right hand column indicates the bill's actual Floor Score of the last chamber it was in (either Senate or House).
3. Regulations are listed at the end in order of their publication date.
4. If you would like to learn more about any piece of legislation or regulation, the bill numbers and regulation titles are clickable and link out to additional information.

Bills by Topic



Bills By Status



All Bills by Topic

Broadband (1)

| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
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| NY | S 5696 | Recommitted To Rules 2019 06 20 | Failed sine die |
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| Title Relates to the public service commission reviewing broadband and fiber optic services within the state | | Bill Summary: Requires the public service commission to review the status of broadband and fiber optic services within the state and to construct and install those services in communities in which such services are absent. | |
| Description Requires the public service commission to review broadband and fiber optic services within the state and requires the expansion of broadband and fiber optic services. | | | |
| Primary Sponsors Jen Metzger | | | |

Cross-State Licensing (23)

| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
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| CT | HB 6532 | Referred To Joint Committee On Public Health 2019 01 28 | Failed sine die |
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| Title AN ACT REQUIRING CONNECTICUT TO JOIN THE PSYCHOLOGY INTERJURISDICTIONAL COMPACT. | | Bill Summary: This bill would enact the Psychology Interjurisdictional Compact in Connecticut. | |
| Description To provide patients greater access to care, allow licensed psychologists to provide continuity of care as patients relocate to other states and help ensure patients are better protected from harm. | | | |
| Primary Sponsors Q Phipps | | | |

| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
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| MA | H 1921 | Hearing Scheduled For 11 19 2019 From 12 00 Pm 05 00 Pm In A 1 A 2 2019 11 07 | In House |
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| Title An Act establishing a commission to consider the commonwealth's involvement in interstate licensure compacts | | Bill Summary: Establishes a commission to examine the advantages and disadvantages of joining interstate licensure compacts. | |
| Description By Mr. Jones of North Reading, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1921) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr., and others for an investigation by a special commission (including members of the General Court) relative to the advisability of the Commonwealth joining the Nurse Licensure Compact and the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact. Public Health. | | | |
| Primary Sponsors Brad Jones, Jr. | | | |

| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
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| MA | H 1944 | Hearing Scheduled For 10 08 2019 From 12 00 Pm 04 00 Pm In 428 2019 10 01 | In House |

Title
An Act relative to nurse licensure compact in Massachusetts

Bill Summary: Adopts the Nurse Licensure Compact.

Description
By Ms. Khan of Newton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1944) of Kay Khan and others relative to participation in the national nurse licensure compact agreement. Public Health.

Primary Sponsors
Kay Khan

| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
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| MA | H 1961 | Hearing Scheduled For 11 19 2019 From 12 00 Pm 05 00 Pm In A 1 A 2 2019 11 07 | In House |

Title
An Act establishing a physical therapy licensure compact

Bill Summary: Adopts the physical therapy licensure compact.

Description
By Mr. Madaro of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1961) of Adrian C. Madaro for legislation to establish a physical therapy licensure compact. Public Health.

Primary Sponsors
Adrian Madaro

| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
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| MA | HD 2167 | Hearing Scheduled For 11 19 2019 From 12 00 Pm 05 00 Pm In A 1 A 2 2019 11 07 | In House |

Title
An Act establishing a commission to consider the commonwealth's involvement in interstate licensure compacts

Bill Summary: Establishes a commission to consider Massachusetts' involvement in interstate licensure compacts.

Description
By Mr. Jones of North Reading, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1921) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr., and others for an investigation by a special commission (including members of the General Court) relative to the advisability of the Commonwealth joining the Nurse Licensure Compact and the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact. Public Health.

Primary Sponsors
Brad Jones, Jr.

| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
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| MA | HD 2891 | Hearing Scheduled For 10 08 2019 From 12 00 Pm 04 00 Pm In 428 2019 10 01 | In House |

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| Title An Act relative to nurse licensure compact in Massachusetts | Bill Summary: This bill would enact the Nurse Licensure Compact in Massachusetts. |
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Description

By Ms. Khan of Newton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1944) of Kay Khan and others relative to participation in the national nurse licensure compact agreement. Public Health.

Primary Sponsors

Kay Khan

| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
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| MA | HD 3829 | Hearing Scheduled For 11 19 2019 From 12 00 Pm 05 00 Pm In A 1 A 2 2019 11 07 | In House |

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| Title An Act establishing a physical therapy licensure compact | Bill Summary: This bill would enact the Physical Therapy Licensure Compact in Massachusetts. |
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Description

By Mr. Madaro of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1961) of Adrian C. Madaro for legislation to establish a physical therapy licensure compact. Public Health.

Primary Sponsors

Adrian Madaro

| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
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| MA | SD 1320 | Hearing Scheduled For 05 13 2019 From 01 00 Pm 04 00 Pm In A 2 2019 05 07 | In Senate |

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| Title An Act relative to nurse licensure compact | Bill Summary: This bill would enact the Nurse Licensure Compact in Massachusetts. |
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Description

By Mr. Boncore, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 103) of Joseph A. Boncore and Kay Khan for legislation relative to nurse licensure compacts. Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

Primary Sponsors

Joe Boncore

| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
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| NH | HB 483 | Committee Report Inexpedient To Legislate Vote 21 0 Cc 2019 11 13 | In House |

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| Title adopting the psychology interjurisdictional compact (PSYPACT). | Bill Summary: Enters New Hampshire into the Psychology Interjurisdictional Compact (PSYPACT) |
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Primary Sponsors

Al Baldasaro

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| State NH | Bill Number SB 232 | Last Action Signed By The Governor On 07 10 2019 Chapter 203 Effective 09 08 2019 2019 07 15 | Status Enacted |
| Title adopting the model psychology interjurisdictional compact. | | Bill Summary: Enacts the Psychology Interjurisdictional Compact in New Hampshire. | |
| Primary Sponsors John Reagan | | | |

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| State NJ | Bill Number A 1583 | Last Action Introduced Referred To Assembly Health And Senior Services Committee 2018 01 09 | Status Failed sine die |
| Title Enters New Jersey in Nurse Multistate Licensure Compact. | | Bill Summary: Enters New Jersey into the Multistate Nurse Licensure Compact. | |
| Primary Sponsors Herb Conaway, Pam Lampitt, Nancy Munoz | | | |

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| State NJ | Bill Number A 1597 | Last Action Substituted By S 954 1699 Scs 1 R 2019 05 23 | Status In Assembly |
| Title Enters New Jersey in enhanced multistate Nurse Licensure Compact. | | Bill Summary: Adopts the Nurse Licensure Compact. | |
| Primary Sponsors Herb Conaway, Paul Moriarty, Shavonda Sumter, Angela McKnight, Raj Mukherji, Joann Downey | | | |

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| State NJ | Bill Number A 1598 | Last Action Withdrawn From Consideration 2018 10 15 | Status Failed sine die |
| Title Enters New Jersey in Physical Therapy Licensure Compact. | | Bill Summary: Enters New Jersey into the Physical Therapy Licensure Compact. | |
| Primary Sponsors Herb Conaway, Tom Giblin | | | |

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| State NJ | Bill Number A 4599 | Last Action Introduced Referred To Assembly Homeland Security And State Preparedness Committee 2018 10 18 | Status Failed sine die |
| Title Enters New Jersey into Emergency Medical Services Personnel Licensure Interstate Compact. | | Bill Summary: Enters New Jersey into the Emergency Medical Services Personnel Licensure Interstate Compact. | |
| Primary Sponsors Carol Murphy, Raj Mukherji, Ron Dancer | | | |

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| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
| NJ | A 5406 | Introduced Referred To Assembly Health And Senior Services Committee 2019 05 20 | In Assembly |

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| Title Enters New Jersey into Interstate Medical Licensure Compact. | Bill Summary: Enters New Jersey into the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact. |
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Primary Sponsors
Carol Murphy

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| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
| NJ | S 954 | Approved P L 2019 C 172 2019 07 19 | Enacted |

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| Title Enters New Jersey in enhanced multistate Nurse Licensure Compact. | Bill Summary: Enters New Jersey into the enhanced Multistate Nurse Licensure Compact. |
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Primary Sponsors
Joe Vitale, Troy Singleton, Fred Madden, Herb Conaway, Paul Moriarty, Shavonda Sumter, Angela McKnight, Raj Mukherji, Joann Downey

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| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
| NJ | S 1699 | Combined With S 954 Scs 2018 05 21 | Failed sine die |

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| Title Enters New Jersey in Nurse Multistate Licensure Compact. | Bill Summary: Enters New Jersey into the Multistate Nurse Licensure Compact. |
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Primary Sponsors
Troy Singleton

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| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
| NJ | S 3598 | Introduced In The Senate Referred To Senate Health Human Services And Senior Citizens Committee 2019 03 18 | In Senate |

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| Title Enters New Jersey into Emergency Medical Services Personnel Licensure Interstate Compact. | Bill Summary: Adopts the Emergency Medical Services Personnel Licensure Interstate Compact. |
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Primary Sponsors
Linda Greenstein, Fred Madden

| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
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| NJ | S 3821 | Introduced In The Senate Referred To Senate Health Human Services And Senior Citizens Committee 2019 05 30 | In Senate |

Title
Enters New Jersey into Interstate Medical Licensure Compact.

Bill Summary: Adopts the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact.

Primary Sponsors
Joe Vitale, Joe Cryan

| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
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| NY | A 4552 | Referred To Higher Education 2019 02 04 | Failed sine die |

Title
Enacts the military spouse act of 2019

Bill Summary: Adopts the Interstate Nursing Licensure Compact.

Description
Enacts the military spouse act of 2019, which: requires a workshop to investigate and report about licensing and the difficulties encountered by military spouses (Part A); authorizes the state to certify persons to teach who are not graduates of teacher education programs (Part B); adopts the interstate nursing licensure compact (Part C); and authorizes licensing of military spouses with out-of-state licenses in equivalent occupations (Part D).

Primary Sponsors
Brian Miller

| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
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| RI | SB 682 | Committee Recommended Measure Be Held For Further Study 2019 04 25 | Failed sine die |

Title
An Act Relating To Businesses And Professions -- Psychology Interjurisdictional Compact (Authorizes The Governor To Enter Into The Psychology Interjurisdictional Compact And Designates An Office To Administer This Compact.)

Bill Summary: Adopts the Psychology Interjurisdictional Compact.

Primary Sponsors
Ryan Pearson

| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
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| VT | H 425 | Read First Time And Referred To The Committee On Government Operations 2019 02 26 | Failed sine die |

Title
An act relating to Vermont's adoption of the interstate Nurse Licensure Compact

Bill Summary: Adopts the Interstate Nurse Licensure Compact.

Primary Sponsors
Coach Christie

| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
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| VT | S 125 | Read 1st Time Referred To Committee On Health And Welfare 2019 02 22 | Failed sine die |
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| Title An act relating to Vermont’s adoption of the interstate Nurse Licensure Compact | | Bill Summary: Adopts the Interstate Nurse Licensure Compact. | |
| Primary Sponsors Ginny Lyons | | | |

Demonstrations, Grants & Pilot Projects (11)

| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status | | |
|---|-------------------------|--|-----------------|--|--|
| CT | HB 6681 | Referred To Joint Committee On Human Services 2019 01 29 | Failed sine die | | |
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| Title AN ACT CONCERNING A TELEMEDICINE PILOT PROGRAM IN AN UNDER SERVED, RURAL DISTRICT. | | Bill Summary: To allow the Department of Social Services to pilot the use of telemedicine in an under served rural district where access to service is hampered by inadequate transportation resources. | | | |
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| Description To allow the Department of Social Services to pilot the use of telemedicine in an under served rural district where access to service is hampered by inadequate transportation resources. | | | | | |
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| Primary Sponsors Pat Wilson Pheanious | | | | | |

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| CT | HB 7302 | Reported Out Of Legislative Commissioners Office Lco 2019 04 17 | Failed sine die | | |
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| Title AN ACT CONCERNING TELEHEALTH. | | Bill Summary: Requires the Department of Public Health, in consultation with the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services and the Connecticut State Medical Society, to study the implications of the Psychology Interjurisdictional Compact. | | | |
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| Description To require a study of the implications of the state ratifying and approving the Psychology Interjurisdictional Compact. | | | | | |
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| Primary Sponsors Joint Committee on Public Health | | | | | |

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| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
| MA | H 3841 | Hearing Scheduled For 09 10 2019 From 01 00 Pm 05 00 Pm In B 1 2019 08 28 | In House |

Title
An Act to require public universities to provide medication abortion

Description
By Ms. Sabadosa of Northampton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3841) of Lindsay N. Sabadosa and others relative to medical abortion or medication abortion at health centers at public institutions of higher education. Public Health.

Primary Sponsors
Lindsay Sabadosa

Bill Summary: Establishes the Public University Health Center Sexual and Reproduction Health Preparation Fund, which provides a grant up to \$200,000 to each public university health center to pay for the cost of medical abortion readiness, including costs associated with the delivery of telehealth services.

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| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
| MA | HD 3658 | Hearing Scheduled For 09 10 2019 From 01 00 Pm 05 00 Pm In B 1 2019 08 28 | In House |

Title
An Act to require public universities to provide medication abortion

Description
By Ms. Sabadosa of Northampton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3841) of Lindsay N. Sabadosa and others relative to medical abortion or medication abortion at health centers at public institutions of higher education. Public Health.

Primary Sponsors
Lindsay Sabadosa

Bill Summary: Establishes the Public University Health Center Sexual and Reproduction Health Preparation Fund to support medical abortion readiness, which would include funding to cover the costs associated with enabling the health center to deliver telehealth services.

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| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
| ME | LD 972 (HP 727) | Carried Over On The Special Appropriations Table To Any Special Or Regular Sessions Or Both Of The 129th Legislature Pursuant To Joint Order Hp 1322 2019 06 20 | Passed Senate |

Title
Resolve, To Increase Access to Brain Injury Waiver Services

Primary Sponsors
Charlotte Warren

Bill Summary: Requires the Department of Health and Human Services to explore opportunities to provide additional reimbursable services using telehealth to members receiving services under the brain injury waiver administered by the departments office of age and disability services.

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| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
| NJ | S 2560 | Introduced In The Senate Referred To Senate Judiciary Committee 2018 05 14 | Failed sine die |

Title
Concerns diversion from criminal prosecution for persons with mental illness under certain circumstances.

Primary Sponsors
Shirley Turner

Bill Summary: Requires the Department of Health to develop and implement a pilot program to expand mental health screening services in emergent situations by using mobile response units and telemedicine, among other components of the bill.

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| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
| NY | A 3060 | Referred To Health 2019 01 28 | Failed sine die |

Title

Establishes the sexual assault forensic examination telemedicine pilot program

Description

Establishes the sexual assault forensic examination telemedicine pilot program to provide expert, comprehensive, compassionate care to patients and training to support providers in health care facilities that do not have a designated sexual assault forensic examination program.

Primary Sponsors

Aileen Gunther

Bill Summary: Establishes the sexual assault forensic examination telemedicine pilot program to provide expert, comprehensive, compassionate care to patients and training to support providers in health care facilities that do not have a designated sexual assault forensic examination program.

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| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
| NY | A 6530 | Referred To Health 2019 03 11 | Failed sine die |

Title

Relates to a study to analyze the adequacy of health networks and the delivery of gerontologic services and senior health care in New York state

Description

Directs the commissioner of health to conduct a study to analyze the adequacy of health networks and the delivery of gerontologic services and senior health care in New York state.

Primary Sponsors

Sandy Galef

Bill Summary: Directs the commissioner of health to conduct a study to analyze the adequacy of health networks and the delivery of gerontologic services and senior health care. The study shall consider, among other things, transportation concerns, the utilization of telehealth and telemedicine in senior populations, and the availability of specialized practitioners.

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| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
| NY | S 5477 | Referred To Mental Health And Developmental Disabilities 2019 05 02 | Failed sine die |

Title

Relates to telepsychiatry

Description

Relates to telepsychiatry and requires a study, report and recommendations regarding geriatric social isolation.

Primary Sponsors

Sue Serino

Bill Summary: Establishes a definition for telepsychiatry for its use in homebound or socially isolated geriatric populations. Requires the State Office for the Aging and the Department of Health to conduct a study to provide recommendations on identifying social isolation, including the development of telehealth programs to meet the needs of homebound or socially isolated geriatric patients.

| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
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| VT | H 542 | House Message Governor Approved Bill On June 18 2019 2019 06 18 | Enacted |
| Title (Act 72) An act relating to making appropriations for the support of government | | Bill Summary: Requires the Department of Vermont Health Access, in consultation with the Board of Dental Examiners and the Vermont State Dental Society, to evaluate current Medicaid reimbursement rates to dentists, dental therapists, and other providers of dental services and determine the amount of increases to rates to attract additional providers to participate in the Vermont Medicaid program. Requires the examination of potential for reimbursing dentists, dental therapists, and dental hygienists for teledentistry services. | |

| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
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| VT | S 94 | Referred To Committee On Appropriations Per Senate Rule 31 2019 03 12 | Failed sine die |
| Title An act relating to expanding Medicaid beneficiaries' access to dental care and establishing the VDent dental assistance program | | Bill Summary: Convenes a working group of interested stakeholders to, among other elements, explore opportunities to expand access to dental care including reimbursement in Medicaid for teledentistry services. | |
| Primary Sponsors Ruth Hardy | | | |

Medicaid Reimbursement (14)

| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
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| CT | HB 5620 | Referred To Joint Committee On Human Services 2019 01 18 | Failed sine die |
| Title AN ACT CONCERNING CUTTING COSTS AND IMPROVING HEALTH OUTCOMES BY PROVIDING MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT FOR HOME HEALTH TELEMONTORING. | | Bill Summary: This bill would expand coverage for telemonitoring in the Medicaid program. | |
| Description To improve health outcomes and reduce state costs by expanding Medicaid coverage to include home health telemonitoring. | | | |
| Primary Sponsors Michelle Cook | | | |

| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
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| CT | HB 6681 | Referred To Joint Committee On Human Services 2019 01 29 | Failed sine die |

Title

AN ACT CONCERNING A TELEMEDICINE PILOT PROGRAM IN AN UNDER SERVED, RURAL DISTRICT.

Bill Summary: To allow the Department of Social Services to pilot the use of telemedicine in an under served rural district where access to service is hampered by inadequate transportation resources.

Description

To allow the Department of Social Services to pilot the use of telemedicine in an under served rural district where access to service is hampered by inadequate transportation resources.

Primary Sponsors

Pat Wilson Pheanious

| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
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| CT | SB 293 | Referred To Joint Committee On Human Services 2019 01 23 | Failed sine die |

Title

AN ACT CONCERNING MEDICAID COVERAGE OF TELEHEALTH SERVICES.

Bill Summary: Requires Medicaid to integrate telehealth services into the medical assistance program.

Description

To improve cost-efficient health outcomes for Medicaid clients by covering telehealth services.

Primary Sponsors

Len Fasano, Kevin Witkos

| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
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| CT | SB 307 | Referred To Joint Committee On Human Services 2019 01 23 | Failed sine die |

Title

AN ACT REQUIRING MEDICAID COVERAGE OF TELEHEALTH SERVICES.

Bill Summary: Require Medicaid to integrate telehealth services into the medical assistance program.

Description

To encourage the use of telehealth services for Medicaid recipients.

Primary Sponsors

George Logan

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| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
| CT | SB 542 | Referred To Joint Committee On Human Services 2019 01 24 | Failed sine die |

Title
AN ACT REQUIRING THE USE OF TELEMEDICINE.

Description
To require the Department of Social Services to use telemedicine in the medical assistance program and update telemedicine definitions to more accurately serve rural areas.

Primary Sponsors
Mae Flexer

Bill Summary: Requires the Department of Social Services to use telemedicine in the medical assistance program and update telemedicine definitions to more accurately serve rural areas.

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| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
| CT | SB 821 | Favorable Report Tabled For The Calendar House 2019 04 18 | Failed sine die |

Title
AN ACT CONCERNING EQUITABLE MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT FOR FEDERALLY QUALIFIED HEALTH CENTER PRACTITIONERS.

Description
To equalize Medicaid rates for primary care or treating practitioners at federally qualified health centers for electronic consultation services with such rates for other primary care or treating practitioners and to pay such rates in addition to fixed fees per patient visit.

Primary Sponsors
Joint Committee on Human Services

Bill Summary: Permits payment within the Medicaid prospective payment methodology for electronic consulting provided by a qualified primary care or treating practitioner at a federally qualified health center.

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| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
| CT | SB 1052 | Signed By The Governor 2019 06 28 | Enacted |

Title
AN ACT EXPANDING MEDICAID COVERAGE OF TELEHEALTH SERVICES.

Description
To require the Commissioner of Social Services to expand Medicaid coverage of telehealth services state wide whenever such coverage meets federal Medicaid requirements for efficiency, economy and quality of care.

Primary Sponsors
Joint Committee on Human Services

Bill Summary: Allows the Medicaid Commissioner to provide coverage for telehealth services notwithstanding any provision of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies that would otherwise prohibit coverage of telehealth services. The Commissioner may implement policies and procedures by adopting policies and regulations. They must also submit a report by Aug. 1, 2020 on the categories of health care services in which the department is utilizing telehealth services, among other requirements.

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| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
| MA | S 596 | Hearing Scheduled For 10 01 2019 From 01 00 Pm 04 00 Pm In A 2 2019 09 18 | In Senate |

Title
An Act relative to full application of telemedicine coverage

Description
By Ms. Gobi, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 596) of Anne M. Gobi, Donald R. Berthiaume, Jr., Brian M. Ashe, Susannah M. Whipps and others for legislation relative to the use of interactive audio, video or other electronic media for the purpose of medical diagnosis, consultation or treatment. Financial Services.

Primary Sponsors
Anne Gobi

Bill Summary: Requires coverage of telemedicine delivered services consistent with in-person coverage. It also includes provisions that apply to MassHealth (MA Medicaid).

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| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
| MA | S 612 | Hearing Scheduled For 10 01 2019 From 01 00 Pm 04 00 Pm In A 2 2019 09 18 | In Senate |

Title
An Act advancing and expanding access to telemedicine services

Description
By Mr. Lewis, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 612) of Jason M. Lewis, Mike Connolly, Michael F. Rush, William N. Brownsberger and other members of the General Court for legislation to advance and expand access to telemedicine services. Financial Services.

Primary Sponsors
Jason Lewis

Bill Summary: Requires private payer coverage of telemedicine. It also requires Medicaid coverage of telemedicine services.

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| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
| MA | SD 920 | Hearing Scheduled For 10 01 2019 From 01 00 Pm 04 00 Pm In A 2 2019 09 18 | In Senate |

Title
An Act advancing and expanding access to telemedicine services

Description
By Mr. Lewis, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 612) of Jason M. Lewis, Mike Connolly, Michael F. Rush, William N. Brownsberger and other members of the General Court for legislation to advance and expand access to telemedicine services. Financial Services.

Primary Sponsors
Jason Lewis

Bill Summary: Specifies that insurers (including Medicaid) cannot decline to provide coverage for health care services solely on the basis that they were provided via telemedicine. It does prohibit the carrier from relying too significantly on telemedicine providers to meet network adequacy standards.

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| State MA | Bill Number SD 980 | Last Action Hearing Scheduled For 10 01 2019 From 01 00 Pm 04 00 Pm In A 2 2019 09 18 | Status In Senate |
| Title An Act relative to full application of telemedicine coverage | | Bill Summary: Specifies that coverage for health care services by insurers (including Medicaid) must be consistent with coverage for health care services provided in-person. Allows insurer to limit coverage to those providers in a telemedicine network approved by the insurer. | |
| Description By Ms. Gobi, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 596) of Anne M. Gobi, Donald R. Berthiaume, Jr., Brian M. Ashe, Susannah M. Whipps and others for legislation relative to the use of interactive audio, video or other electronic media for the purpose of medical diagnosis, consultation or treatment. Financial Services. | | | |
| Primary Sponsors Anne Gobi | | | |

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| State ME | Bill Number LD 1655 (HP 1191) | Last Action Carried Over On The Special Appropriations Table To Any Special Or Regular Sessions Or Both Of The 129th Legislature Pursuant To Joint Order Hp 1322 2019 06 20 | Status Passed Senate |
| Title An Act To Improve and Modernize Home-based Care | | Bill Summary: Would require the Maine Medicare program (MaineCare) to reimburse for telehealth-based medication evaluation or consultation or a home visit when technology is not the most effective mode of consultation. | |
| Primary Sponsors Michele Meyer | | | |

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| State NH | Bill Number SB 258 | Last Action li Remainder Effective 10 11 2019 2019 08 13 | Status Enacted |
| Title relative to telemedicine and telehealth services. | | Bill Summary: Requires Medicaid coverage of telemedicine and telehealth services provided within the scope of practice of a physician or other health care professional as a method of delivery of medical care. Must be an appropriate application of telehealth services, as determined by the department based on CMS regulations and include persons providing psychotherapeutic services. Some telemedicine services would only be for established patients who have already received in-person care. | |
| Primary Sponsors Jay Kahn | | | |

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| State NH | Bill Number SB 308 | Last Action Pending Motion Ot 3 Rdg 03 27 2019 Sj 10 2019 03 27 | Status Failed sine die |
| Title relative to the health care workforce and making appropriations therefor. | | Bill Summary: Amends Medicaid telemedicine coverage requirements, requiring a patient to establish care at an originating site before they receive services for primary care, substance use or early prevention services, among other changes. | |
| Primary Sponsors Cindy Rosenwald | | | |

| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
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| CT | HB 5756 | Referred To Joint Committee On Public Health 2019 01 22 | Failed sine die |

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| Title AN ACT PERMITTING TELEHEALTH PROVIDERS IN NURSING FACILITIES TO PRESCRIBE CERTAIN CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES. | Bill Summary: Allows telehealth providers in nursing facilities to prescribe controlled substances for pain control and comfort-oriented care. |
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Description
To allow telehealth providers in nursing facilities to prescribe controlled substances for pain control and comfort-oriented care.

Primary Sponsors
Joe Gresko

| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
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| MA | H 917 | Hearing Scheduled For 10 01 2019 From 01 00 Pm 04 00 Pm In A 2 2019 09 18 | In House |

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| Title An Act to facilitate the provision of telehealth services | Bill Summary: Requires consent be obtained before utilizing telehealth, and sets requirements around prescribing through telehealth. |
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Description
By Messrs. Brodeur of Melrose and McMurtry of Dedham, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 917) of Paul Brodeur, Paul McMurtry and others relative to telehealth services and third party reimbursements for health care services rendered by health professionals through telehealth. Financial Services.

Primary Sponsors
Paul Brodeur, Paul McMurtry

| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
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| MA | HD 3029 | Hearing Scheduled For 10 01 2019 From 01 00 Pm 04 00 Pm In A 2 2019 09 18 | In House |

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| Title An Act to facilitate the provision of telehealth services | Bill Summary: Requires consent be obtained when utilizing telehealth, and also sets requirements around prescribing. |
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Description
By Messrs. Brodeur of Melrose and McMurtry of Dedham, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 917) of Paul Brodeur, Paul McMurtry and others relative to telehealth services and third party reimbursements for health care services rendered by health professionals through telehealth. Financial Services.

Primary Sponsors
Paul Brodeur, Paul McMurtry

| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
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| MA | SD 2027 | Hearing Scheduled For 10 01 2019 From 01 00 Pm 04 00 Pm In A 2 2019 09 18 | In Senate |

Title
An Act authorizing telemedicine services

Description
By Ms. Comerford, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 556) of Joanne M. Comerford, Michael J. Barrett and Mindy Domb for legislation relative to authorize telemedicine services. Financial Services.

Primary Sponsors
Jo Comerford

Bill Summary: Authorizes telemedicine services and establishes standards for health professionals utilizing telemedicine, including prescribing and patient consent.

| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
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| NH | SB 178 | Signed By The Governor On 07 10 2019 Chapter 199 Effective 09 08 2019 2019 07 15 | Enacted |

Title
relative to telemedicine for spectacle and contact lenses.

Primary Sponsors
Cindy Rosenwald

Bill Summary: This bill clarifies the procedure for health care providers who prescribe spectacle lenses and contact lenses by telemedicine. Specifies how a provider-patient relationship can be established for purposes of prescribing spectacles and contact lenses.

| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
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| NJ | A 2036 | Withdrawn From Consideration 2018 07 30 | Failed sine die |

Title
Concerns prescribing of certain controlled dangerous substances; requires practitioners to check prescription monitoring information before issuing certain prescriptions to emergency department patients; authorizes medical scribes and athletic trainers to access prescription monitoring information.

Primary Sponsors
Craig Coughlin, Dan Benson, Valerie Vainieri Huttle

Bill Summary: Permits the Division of Consumer Affairs to make prescription monitoring information available on electronic systems that collect and display health information, provided that the division determines the electronic system has appropriate security protections.

| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
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| NJ | A 5986 | Introduced Referred To Assembly Health And Senior Services Committee 2019 11 25 | In Assembly |

Title
Permits authorization for dispensation of medical marijuana through telemedicine and telehealth under certain circumstances.

Primary Sponsors
Pam Lampitt

Bill Summary: Allows the dispensing of medical marijuana through telemedicine and telehealth under certain circumstances.

| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
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| NJ | S 4171 | Introduced In The Senate Referred To Senate Health Human Services And Senior Citizens Committee 2019 11 07 | In Senate |
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| Title Permits authorization for dispensation of medical marijuana through telemedicine and telehealth under certain circumstances. | | Bill Summary: Permits health practitioners to authorize the medical use of cannabis via telemedicine or telehealth. | |
| Primary Sponsors Declan O'Scanlon | | | |

| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
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| NY | A 4888 | Referred To Higher Education 2019 02 05 | Failed sine die |
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| Title Establishes and authorizes telepharmacy in this state | | Bill Summary: Establishes and authorizes telepharmacy in this state; defines terms; creates telepharmacy satellite consultation sites and telepharmacy in hospitals; authorizes the filling of prescriptions at remote sites connected to central pharmacies via computer link, videolink and audiolink; makes exceptions. | |
| Description Establishes and authorizes telepharmacy in this state; defines terms; creates telepharmacy satellite consultation sites and telepharmacy in hospitals; authorizes the filling of prescriptions at remote sites connected to central pharmacies via computer link, videolink and audiolink; makes exceptions. | | | |
| Primary Sponsors Ken Blankenbush | | | |

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| NJ | A 5930 | Introduced Referred To Assembly Health And Senior Services Committee 2019 11 18 | In Assembly |
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| Title Establishes the "Planning for an Aging Population Task Force. | | Bill Summary: Establishes a temporary task force to study and propose a plan of action to address concerns associated with the growing aging population, including the collection of testimonies regarding home health care, telehealth, and other services. | |
| Primary Sponsors Carol Murphy | | | |

| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
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| NY | S 879 | Referred To Insurance 2019 01 09 | Failed sine die |
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| Title Requires comprehensive motor vehicle reparations and workers' compensation coverage of health care services delivered by means of telehealth | | Bill Summary: Requires comprehensive motor vehicle reparations and workers' compensation coverage of health care services delivered by means of telehealth. | |
| Description Requires comprehensive motor vehicle reparations and workers' compensation coverage of health care services delivered by means of telehealth. | | | |
| Primary Sponsors Cathy Young | | | |

| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
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| NY | S 1042 | Recommit Enacting Clause Stricken 2019 03 19 | Failed sine die |
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| Title Establishes a task force to conduct a study on the ability to utilize telehealth within the workers' compensation system | | Bill Summary: Establishes a task force to conduct a study on the ability to utilize telehealth within the workers' compensation system. | |
| Description Establishes a task force to conduct a study on the ability to utilize telehealth within the workers' compensation system. | | | |
| Primary Sponsors Cathy Young | | | |

Private Payer Reimbursement (22)

| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
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| MA | H 991 | Hearing Scheduled For 10 01 2019 From 01 00 Pm 04 00 Pm In A 2 2019 09 18 | In House |
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| Title An Act advancing and expanding access to telemedicine services | | Bill Summary: Health benefit plans provided to employees and retirees and their eligible dependents may not decline to provide coverage for health care services solely on the basis that the service was delivered via telehealth. | |
| Description By Mr. Golden of Lowell, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 991) of Thomas A. Golden, Jr., and others relative to access to telemedicine services. Financial Services. | | | |
| Primary Sponsors Tom Golden, Jr. | | | |

| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
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| MA | H 1001 | Hearing Scheduled For 10 01 2019 From 01 00 Pm 04 00 Pm In A 2 2019 09 18 | In House |

Title
An Act relative to behavioral health telemedicine

Description
By Ms. Higgins of Leominster, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1001) of Natalie M. Higgins and others for legislation relative to coverage for behavioral health telemedicine services. Financial Services.

Primary Sponsors
Natalie Higgins

Bill Summary: Requires the group insurance commission to provide active or retired employees of the commonwealth with behavioral health care services through in-person or telehealth delivery.

| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
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| MA | H 1002 | Hearing Scheduled For 10 01 2019 From 01 00 Pm 04 00 Pm In A 2 2019 09 18 | In House |

Title
An Act expanding access to telemedicine services

Description
By Ms. Hogan of Stow, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1002) of Kate Hogan and others relative to access to telemedicine services. Financial Services.

Primary Sponsors
Kate Hogan

Bill Summary: Provides that the group insurance commission will provide for active or retired employees of the commonwealth with health care services provided through telemedicine by a contracted health care provider.

| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
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| MA | H 1095 | Hearing Scheduled For 10 01 2019 From 01 00 Pm 04 00 Pm In A 2 2019 09 18 | In House |

Title
An Act enhancing access to telemedicine services

Description
By Mr. Roy of Franklin, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1095) of Jeffrey N. Roy relative to coverage for telemedicine services. Financial Services.

Primary Sponsors
Jeff Roy

Bill Summary: Provides a definition for "telehealth" which includes live video and provides that insurers in Massachusetts shall provide coverage for health care services delivered through telemedicine.

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| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
| MA | H 4134 | Senate Concurred 2019 10 28 | In House |

Title
An Act to improve health care by investing in VALUE

Primary Sponsors
Charles D. Baker

Bill Summary: Requires insurers to implement procedures, so that the insurer shall not decline to provide coverage for health care services solely on the basis that those services were delivered through the use of telehealth by a contracted health care provider. It also addresses telehealth practice standards and defines when an appropriate relationship can be established through telehealth.

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| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
| MA | HD 761 | Hearing Scheduled For 10 01 2019 From 01 00 Pm 04 00 Pm In A 2 2019 09 18 | In House |

Title
An Act expanding access to telemedicine services

Description
By Ms. Hogan of Stow, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1002) of Kate Hogan and others relative to access to telemedicine services. Financial Services.

Primary Sponsors
Kate Hogan

Bill Summary: Requires coverage for telemedicine delivered services by certain insurers at a rate not less than the equivalent in-person rate.

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| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
| MA | HD 1379 | Hearing Scheduled For 10 01 2019 From 01 00 Pm 04 00 Pm In A 2 2019 09 18 | In House |

Title
An Act relative to behavioral health telemedicine

Description
By Ms. Higgins of Leominster, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1001) of Natalie M. Higgins and others for legislation relative to coverage for behavioral health telemedicine services. Financial Services.

Primary Sponsors
Natalie Higgins

Bill Summary: Requires coverage of behavioral health services delivered via telemedicine by certain insurers at a rate no less than the applicable in-person rate.

| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
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| MA | HD 2719 | Hearing Scheduled For 10 01 2019 From 01 00 Pm 04 00 Pm In A 2 2019 09 18 | In House |

Title
An Act promoting high value and high quality care

Description
By Mr. Cassidy of Brockton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 931) of Gerard J. Cassidy, Michael D. Brady and Michelle M. DuBois relative to the quality of healthcare and healthcare benefits and insurance. Financial Services.

Primary Sponsors
Gerry Cassidy

Bill Summary: Requires coverage for telemedicine by certain insurers, and delivered by contracted health care providers if the coverage would be covered in person and is appropriately provided.

| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
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| MA | HD 3057 | Hearing Scheduled For 10 01 2019 From 01 00 Pm 04 00 Pm In A 2 2019 09 18 | In House |

Title
An Act enhancing access to telemedicine services

Description
By Mr. Roy of Franklin, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1095) of Jeffrey N. Roy relative to coverage for telemedicine services. Financial Services.

Primary Sponsors
Jeff Roy

Bill Summary: Requires coverage for telemedicine by certain insurers, and delivered by contracted health care providers if the coverage would be covered in person and is appropriately provided.

| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
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| MA | HD 3202 | Hearing Scheduled For 10 01 2019 From 01 00 Pm 04 00 Pm In A 2 2019 09 18 | In House |

Title
An Act advancing and expanding access to telemedicine services

Description
By Mr. Golden of Lowell, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 991) of Thomas A. Golden, Jr., and others relative to access to telemedicine services. Financial Services.

Primary Sponsors
Tom Golden, Jr.

Bill Summary: This bill would require coverage of telemedicine by a contracted health care provider, provided that there is not a significant reliance on telemedicine to meet network adequacy standards.

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| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
| MA | HD 4547 | Senate Concurred 2019 10 28 | In House |

Title
An Act to improve health care by investing in VALUE

Primary Sponsors
Charles D. Baker

Bill Summary: Requires insurers to implement procedures, so that the insurer shall not decline to provide coverage for health care services solely on the basis that those services were delivered through the use of telehealth by a contracted health care provider. It also provides for practice standards when providing services through telehealth and when an appropriate relationship can be established.

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| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
| MA | S 548 | Hearing Scheduled For 10 01 2019 From 01 00 Pm 04 00 Pm In A 2 2019 09 18 | In Senate |

Title
An Act expanding access to affordable telemedicine services

Description
By Ms. Chandler, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 548) of Harriette L. Chandler, James T. Welch, Rebecca L. Rausch, Michael J. Barrett and other members of the General Court for legislation to expand access to affordable telemedicine services. Financial Services.

Primary Sponsors
Harriette Chandler

Bill Summary: Requires insurers cover telemedicine delivered services. It also authorizes the appropriate use of telemedicine, and requires the professional Board to adopt regulations around the use of telemedicine.

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| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
| MA | S 596 | Hearing Scheduled For 10 01 2019 From 01 00 Pm 04 00 Pm In A 2 2019 09 18 | In Senate |

Title
An Act relative to full application of telemedicine coverage

Description
By Ms. Gobi, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 596) of Anne M. Gobi, Donald R. Berthiaume, Jr., Brian M. Ashe, Susannah M. Whipps and others for legislation relative to the use of interactive audio, video or other electronic media for the purpose of medical diagnosis, consultation or treatment. Financial Services.

Primary Sponsors
Anne Gobi

Bill Summary: Requires coverage of telemedicine delivered services consistent with in-person coverage. It also includes provisions that apply to MassHealth (MA Medicaid).

| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
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| MA | S 612 | Hearing Scheduled For 10 01 2019 From 01 00 Pm 04 00 Pm In A 2 2019 09 18 | In Senate |

Title
An Act advancing and expanding access to telemedicine services

Bill Summary: Requires private payer coverage of telemedicine. It also requires Medicaid coverage of telemedicine services.

Description
By Mr. Lewis, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 612) of Jason M. Lewis, Mike Connolly, Michael F. Rush, William N. Brownsberger and other members of the General Court for legislation to advance and expand access to telemedicine services. Financial Services.

Primary Sponsors
Jason Lewis

| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
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| MA | SD 920 | Hearing Scheduled For 10 01 2019 From 01 00 Pm 04 00 Pm In A 2 2019 09 18 | In Senate |

Title
An Act advancing and expanding access to telemedicine services

Bill Summary: Specifies that insurers (including Medicaid) cannot decline to provide coverage for health care services solely on the basis that they were provided via telemedicine. It does prohibit the carrier from relying too significantly on telemedicine providers to meet network adequacy standards.

Description
By Mr. Lewis, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 612) of Jason M. Lewis, Mike Connolly, Michael F. Rush, William N. Brownsberger and other members of the General Court for legislation to advance and expand access to telemedicine services. Financial Services.

Primary Sponsors
Jason Lewis

| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
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| MA | SD 980 | Hearing Scheduled For 10 01 2019 From 01 00 Pm 04 00 Pm In A 2 2019 09 18 | In Senate |

Title
An Act relative to full application of telemedicine coverage

Bill Summary: Specifies that coverage for health care services by insurers (including Medicaid) must be consistent with coverage for health care services provided in-person. Allows insurer to limit coverage to those providers in a telemedicine network approved by the insurer.

Description
By Ms. Gobi, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 596) of Anne M. Gobi, Donald R. Berthiaume, Jr., Brian M. Ashe, Susannah M. Whipps and others for legislation relative to the use of interactive audio, video or other electronic media for the purpose of medical diagnosis, consultation or treatment. Financial Services.

Primary Sponsors
Anne Gobi

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| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
| MA | SD 1946 | Hearing Scheduled For 10 01 2019 From 01 00 Pm 04 00 Pm In A 2 2019 09 18 | In Senate |

Title
An Act expanding access to affordable telemedicine services

Bill Summary: Requires coverage of telemedicine by a contracted health care provider.

Description

By Ms. Chandler, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 548) of Harriette L. Chandler, James T. Welch, Rebecca L. Rausch, Michael J. Barrett and other members of the General Court for legislation to expand access to affordable telemedicine services. Financial Services.

Primary Sponsors
Harriette Chandler

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| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
| ME | LD 1263 (SP 383) | Signed By The Governor 2019 06 13 | Enacted |

Title
An Act Regarding Telehealth

Bill Summary: Repeals current statute for the coverage of telemedicine services and enacts new statute which provides telehealth and site definitions. Also provides that a health plan may not deny coverage on the basis that the health care services is provided through telehealth if the service would otherwise be covered in-person. Provides conditions for the coverage of telehealth services, telemonitoring requirements, and exclusions.

Primary Sponsors
Geoff Gratwick

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| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
| NY | S 879 | Referred To Insurance 2019 01 09 | Failed sine die |

Title
Requires comprehensive motor vehicle reparations and workers' compensation coverage of health care services delivered by means of telehealth

Bill Summary: Requires comprehensive motor vehicle reparations and workers' compensation coverage of health care services delivered by means of telehealth.

Description

Requires comprehensive motor vehicle reparations and workers' compensation coverage of health care services delivered by means of telehealth.

Primary Sponsors
Cathy Young

| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
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| NY | S 888 | Recommit Enacting Clause Stricken 2019 03 19 | Failed sine die |
| <div> <div> Title Provides for the delivery and insurance coverage of telehealth services by means of home care services </div> <div> Bill Summary: Provides for the delivery and insurance coverage of telehealth services by means of home care services. </div> </div> | | | |
| <div> Description Provides for the delivery and insurance coverage of telehealth services by means of home care services. </div> | | | |
| <div> Primary Sponsors Cathy Young </div> | | | |

| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
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| NY | S 1042 | Recommit Enacting Clause Stricken 2019 03 19 | Failed sine die |
| <div> <div> Title Establishes a task force to conduct a study on the ability to utilize telehealth within the workers' compensation system </div> <div> Bill Summary: Establishes a task force to conduct a study on the ability to utilize telehealth within the workers' compensation system. </div> </div> | | | |
| <div> Description Establishes a task force to conduct a study on the ability to utilize telehealth within the workers' compensation system. </div> | | | |
| <div> Primary Sponsors Cathy Young </div> | | | |

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| NY | S 1043 | Recommit Enacting Clause Stricken 2019 03 19 | Failed sine die |
| <div> <div> Title Relates to rates of reimbursement for telehealth services </div> <div> Bill Summary: Relates to rates of reimbursement for telehealth services; requires insurers to reimburse telehealth providers at the same rate as they would if the services had been provided in person. </div> </div> | | | |
| <div> Description Relates to rates of reimbursement for telehealth services; requires insurers to reimburse telehealth providers at the same rate as they would if the services had been provided in person. </div> | | | |
| <div> Primary Sponsors Cathy Young </div> | | | |

Provider-Patient Relationship (1)

| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
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| CT | HB 5747 | Referred To Joint Committee On Public Health 2019 01 22 | Failed sine die |
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| Title AN ACT CONCERNING TELEHEALTH AND THE VETERINARIAN-CLIENT-PATIENT RELATIONSHIP. | | Bill Summary: Establishes standards for a veterinarian-client-patient relationship in the context of the provision of telehealth services by a veterinarian. | |
| Description To establish standards for a veterinarian-client-patient relationship in the context of the provision of telehealth services by a veterinarian. | | | |
| Primary Sponsors William Petit | | | |

Regulatory, Licensing & Advisory Boards (17)

| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
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| CT | HB 7278 | Favorable Report Tabled For The Calendar Senate 2019 05 22 | Failed sine die |
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| Title AN ACT CONCERNING MOBILE INTEGRATED HEALTH CARE. | | Bill Summary: Defines "mobile integrated health care" and creates provisions for the delivery of health services through the use of mobile integrated health care. | |
| Description To permit the provision of mobile integrated health care in the state. | | | |
| Primary Sponsors Joint Committee on Public Health | | | |

| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
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| CT | SB 920 | Signed By The Governor 2019 07 09 | Enacted |
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| Title AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH'S RECOMMENDATIONS FOR VARIOUS REVISIONS TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH STATUTES. | | Bill Summary: Adds a paramedic to the definition of a "telehealth provider". | |
| Description To implement the recommendations of the Department of Public Health regarding various revisions to the public health statutes. | | | |
| Primary Sponsors Joint Committee on Public Health | | | |

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| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
| MA | H 917 | Hearing Scheduled For 10 01 2019 From 01 00 Pm 04 00 Pm In A 2 2019 09 18 | In House |

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| Title An Act to facilitate the provision of telehealth services | Bill Summary: Requires consent be obtained before utilizing telehealth, and sets requirements around prescribing through telehealth. |
| Description By Messrs. Brodeur of Melrose and McMurtry of Dedham, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 917) of Paul Brodeur, Paul McMurtry and others relative to telehealth services and third party reimbursements for health care services rendered by health professionals through telehealth. Financial Services. | |
| Primary Sponsors Paul Brodeur, Paul McMurtry | |

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| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
| MA | H 1916 | Senate Concurred 2019 08 15 | In House |

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| Title An Act to improve oral health for all Massachusetts residents | Bill Summary: Permits dental therapists to provide procedures and services permitted under general supervision when a dentist is available for consultation and supervision if needed through telemedicine or by another means of communication. |
| Description By Representatives Hogan of Stow and Pignatelli of Lee, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1916) of Kate Hogan, Smitty Pignatelli and others for legislation to expand patient access to oral health care. Public Health. | |
| Primary Sponsors Kate Hogan, Smitty Pignatelli | |

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| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
| MA | H 4134 | Senate Concurred 2019 10 28 | In House |

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| Title An Act to improve health care by investing in VALUE | Bill Summary: Requires insurers to implement procedures, so that the insurer shall not decline to provide coverage for health care services solely on the basis that those services were delivered through the use of telehealth by a contracted health care provider. It also addresses telehealth practice standards and defines when an appropriate relationship can be established through telehealth. |
| Primary Sponsors Charles D. Baker | |

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| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
| MA | HD 3029 | Hearing Scheduled For 10 01 2019 From 01 00 Pm 04 00 Pm In A 2 2019 09 18 | In House |

Title
An Act to facilitate the provision of telehealth services

Bill Summary: Requires consent be obtained when utilizing telehealth, and also sets requirements around prescribing.

Description
By Messrs. Brodeur of Melrose and McMurtry of Dedham, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 917) of Paul Brodeur, Paul McMurtry and others relative to telehealth services and third party reimbursements for health care services rendered by health professionals through telehealth. Financial Services.

Primary Sponsors
Paul Brodeur, Paul McMurtry

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| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
| MA | HD 3436 | Senate Concurred 2019 08 15 | In House |

Title
An Act to improve oral health for all Massachusetts residents

Bill Summary: Permits dental therapists to provide procedures and services permitted under general supervision when a dentist is available for consultation and supervision if needed through telemedicine or by another means of communication.

Description
By Representatives Hogan of Stow and Pignatelli of Lee, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1916) of Kate Hogan, Smitty Pignatelli and others for legislation to expand patient access to oral health care. Public Health.

Primary Sponsors
Kate Hogan, Smitty Pignatelli

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| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
| MA | HD 4547 | Senate Concurred 2019 10 28 | In House |

Title
An Act to improve health care by investing in VALUE

Bill Summary: Requires insurers to implement procedures, so that the insurer shall not decline to provide coverage for health care services solely on the basis that those services were delivered through the use of telehealth by a contracted health care provider. It also provides for practice standards when providing services through telehealth and when an appropriate relationship can be established.

Primary Sponsors
Charles D. Baker

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| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
| MA | S 548 | Hearing Scheduled For 10 01 2019 From 01 00 Pm 04 00 Pm In A 2 2019 09 18 | In Senate |

Title
An Act expanding access to affordable telemedicine services

Description
By Ms. Chandler, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 548) of Harriette L. Chandler, James T. Welch, Rebecca L. Rausch, Michael J. Barrett and other members of the General Court for legislation to expand access to affordable telemedicine services. Financial Services.

Primary Sponsors
Harriette Chandler

Bill Summary: Requires insurers cover telemedicine delivered services. It also authorizes the appropriate use of telemedicine, and requires the professional Board to adopt regulations around the use of telemedicine.

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| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
| MA | S 556 | Hearing Scheduled For 10 01 2019 From 01 00 Pm 04 00 Pm In A 2 2019 09 18 | In Senate |

Title
An Act authorizing telemedicine services

Description
By Ms. Comerford, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 556) of Joanne M. Comerford, Michael J. Barrett and Mindy Domb for legislation relative to authorize telemedicine services. Financial Services.

Primary Sponsors
Jo Comerford

Bill Summary: Authorizes the appropriate use of telemedicine. Direct professional Boards to promulgate regulations on the use of telemedicine.

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| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
| MA | SD 1946 | Hearing Scheduled For 10 01 2019 From 01 00 Pm 04 00 Pm In A 2 2019 09 18 | In Senate |

Title
An Act expanding access to affordable telemedicine services

Description
By Ms. Chandler, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 548) of Harriette L. Chandler, James T. Welch, Rebecca L. Rausch, Michael J. Barrett and other members of the General Court for legislation to expand access to affordable telemedicine services. Financial Services.

Primary Sponsors
Harriette Chandler

Bill Summary: Requires coverage of telemedicine by a contracted health care provider.

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| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
| MA | SD 2027 | Hearing Scheduled For 10 01 2019 From 01 00 Pm 04 00 Pm In A 2 2019 09 18 | In Senate |

Title
An Act authorizing telemedicine services

Bill Summary: Authorizes telemedicine services and establishes standards for health professionals utilizing telemedicine, including prescribing and patient consent.

Description
By Ms. Comerford, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 556) of Joanne M. Comerford, Michael J. Barrett and Mindy Domb for legislation relative to authorize telemedicine services. Financial Services.

Primary Sponsors
Jo Comerford

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| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
| NJ | A 5244 | Introduced Referred To Assembly Health And Senior Services Committee 2019 05 13 | In Assembly |

Title
Authorizes certain uses of telemedicine and telehealth in facilities for persons with developmental disabilities and traumatic brain injury.

Bill Summary: Permits the use of telemedicine and telehealth in the delivery of services for persons with developmental disabilities and traumatic brain injury.

Primary Sponsors
Dan Benson, Joann Downey, Valerie Vainieri Huttie

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| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
| NJ | S 4171 | Introduced In The Senate Referred To Senate Health Human Services And Senior Citizens Committee 2019 11 07 | In Senate |

Title
Permits authorization for dispensation of medical marijuana through telemedicine and telehealth under certain circumstances.

Bill Summary: Permits health practitioners to authorize the medical use of cannabis via telemedicine or telehealth.

Primary Sponsors
Declan O'Scanlon

| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
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| NY | A 8442 | Referred To Higher Education 2019 07 08 | In Assembly |
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| Title Relates to enacting the orthodontic tele-dentistry consumer protection act | | Bill Summary: Enacts the "orthodontic tele-dentistry consumer protection act" placing additional requirements on licensed dental procedures entities and licensed dentists who perform cosmetic dental procedures including the posting of specific notices. | |
| Description Enacts the "orthodontic tele-dentistry consumer protection act" placing additional requirements on licensed dental procedures entities and licensed dentists who perform cosmetic dental procedures including the posting of specific notices. | | | |
| Primary Sponsors Nathalia Fernandez | | | |

| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
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| NY | S 6477 | Referred To Rules 2019 06 13 | Failed sine die |
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| Title Relates to enacting the orthodontic tele-dentistry consumer protection act | | Bill Summary: Establishes the orthodontic tele-dentistry consumer protection act. Requires dentists who perform orthodontic tele-dentistry to certify to the department annually that any procedures are performed in compliance with the standards of care prescribed by the American dental association, among other requirements. | |
| Description Enacts the "orthodontic tele-dentistry consumer protection act" placing additional requirements on licensed dental procedures entities and licensed dentists who perform cosmetic dental procedures including the posting of specific notices. | | | |
| Primary Sponsors Luis Sepulveda | | | |

| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
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| VT | H 542 | House Message Governor Approved Bill On June 18 2019 2019 06 18 | Enacted |
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| Title (Act 72) An act relating to making appropriations for the support of government | | Bill Summary: Requires the Department of Vermont Health Access, in consultation with the Board of Dental Examiners and the Vermont State Dental Society, to evaluate current Medicaid reimbursement rates to dentists, dental therapists, and other providers of dental services and determine the amount of increases to rates to attract additional providers to participate in the Vermont Medicaid program. Requires the examination of potential for reimbursing dentists, dental therapists, and dental hygienists for teledentistry services. | |

Substance Use Disorder (2)

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| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
| NH | LSR 2020-2023 | None | |

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| Title Relative to telemedicine and substance use disorder. | Bill Summary: Addresses telemedicine and substance use disorder. Full text not yet available. |
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Primary Sponsors
William Marsh, Jeb Bradley, Al Baldasaro, Karel Crawford, Ken Snow, Jess Edwards, Jay Kahn, Mark Pearson, Joe Schapiro, James Allard, John MacDonald

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| State | Bill Number | Last Action | Status |
| NH | LSR 2020-3085 | None | |

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| Title Relative to medication assisted treatment (MAT) by telemedicine and telehealth services. | Bill Summary: Allows for the practice of telemedicine and telehealth services for purposes of medication assisted treatment (MAT). |
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Primary Sponsors
Jay Kahn

Northeast TRC Regulatory Tracking

Nov 27, 2019

Total State Regs Exported : 24

| # | State | Ref # | Status | Type | Intro Date | Document Count |
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| 1 | NH | 2019-196 | Proposed Rule | Regular | Nov 05, 2019 | 1 |
| Issues | | Regulatory, Licensing & Advisory Boards | | | | |
| Labels | | | | | | |
| Title | | Rules of the Board of Veterinary Medicine Vet 300-1000. | | | | |
| Agency | | Board of Veterinary Medicine (NH) | | | | |
| Description | | <p>This proposal implements the standards and procedures of the Board of Veterinary Medicine, pursuant to RSA 332-B, in Vet 300 through Vet 1000, the purpose of which is to promote public health, safety, and welfare by safeguarding the people of New Hampshire against incompetent, unscrupulous, and unauthorized persons and from unprofessional or illegal practices. Most of the existing rules in Vet 300-Vet 700 are interim rules which are scheduled to expire 1-28-20. The proposal readopts with amendments Vet 301 through 303 regarding Application Procedures, Qualifications, and Examination. The proposal repeals the existing Vet 304, Reciprocity. The proposal readopts with amendments Vet 305, Temporary Permit, and renumbers it as Vet 304. The proposal also readopts with amendments Vet 306, Fees, and renumbers it as Vet 305. The proposal readopts with amendments Vet 400, Continued Status. The proposal readopts with amendments Vet 501.01 and Vet 501.02 regarding the Principles of Veterinary Medical Ethics. The proposal readopts with amendments Vet 502.01 and renames the section as Emergency Coverage and After Hours Care. The proposal readopts with amendments Vet 601, Acupuncture. The proposal readopts Vet 602, Embryo Transfers. The proposal readopts with amendments Vet 700, Veterinary Medical Records. Proposed changes include requiring the use of the applicant's legal name for licensing; reconsideration of what criminal convictions can affect licensing; clarification of the temporary permitting process; increased licensing fees and fees for certain records while eliminating late fees; submission of public discipline to the American Association of State Veterinary Boards; clarified requirements for reporting of continuing education; clarified provisions for emergency and after hours care; and clarification of expected record-keeping standards. The proposal also adopts new rules Vet 306, Reinstatement of an Expired License; Vet 501.03, Veterinary Specialists; Vet 502.02, After Hours Care; Vet 503, Euthanasia; Vet 603, Telemedicine; Vet 800, Veterinary Nurses, Veterinary Technicians, and Veterinary Assistants; Vet 900, Dental Care; and Vet 1000, Opioid Management. NEW HAMPSHIRE RULEMAKING REGISTER November 14, 2019 Page 5 NN 2019-196 Continued Proposed additions include clarification relative to addressing expired licenses; requiring the use of the applicant's legal name for licensing; restrictions on the use of specialty designations; reference to standards for euthanasia; clarification of allowable uses of veterinary nurses, technicians, assistants, and students; restrictions on veterinary dental care; and required acts related to opioid management.</p> | | | | |
| Regulation Summary | | Adopts new telemedicine rules for veterinarians. | | | | |

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| 2 | NJ | 51 N.J.R. 1600(a) | Proposed Rule | Regular | Nov 04, 2019 | 1 |
| Issues | | Regulatory, Licensing & Advisory Boards | | | | |
| Labels | | | | | | |
| Title | | Division of Consumer Affairs, Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology Advisory Committee: telemedicine rules | | | | |
| Agency | | DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS (NJ) | | | | |
| Description | | | | | | |
| Regulation Summary | | Creates telemedicine practice standards for Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology, including how a licensee can create a licensee-patient relationship. | | | | |

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| 3 | NY | ASA-39-19-00004 | Proposed Rule | Regular | Sep 25, 2019 | 1 |
| Issues Regulatory, Licensing & Advisory Boards | | | | | | |
| Labels | | | | | | |
| Title Designated Services (Acupuncture and Telepractice) Agency Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services (NY) Description To identify standards for designation to provide acupuncture or telepractice services. Regulation Summary Requires preauthorization from the Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services before implementing telepractice services. It also restricts the types of services that can be delivered through telepractice. | | | | | | |

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| 4 | NJ | 51 N.J.R. 1088(a) | Proposed Rule | Regular | Jul 01, 2019 | 1 |
| Issues Regulatory, Licensing & Advisory Boards | | | | | | |
| Labels | | | | | | |
| Title State Board of Medical Examiners and State Acupuncture Examining Board: telemedicine Agency DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS (NJ) Description Regulation Summary Establishes telemedicine practice standards for acupuncturists. | | | | | | |

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| 5 | NJ | 51 N.J.R. 1094(a) | Proposed Rule | Regular | Jul 01, 2019 | 1 |
| Issues Regulatory, Licensing & Advisory Boards | | | | | | |
| Labels | | | | | | |
| Title State Board of Nursing: telemedicine Agency DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS (NJ) Description Regulation Summary Establishes telemedicine practice standards for nurses. | | | | | | |

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| 6 | NJ | 51 N.J.R. 1097(a) | Proposed Rule | Regular | Jul 01, 2019 | 1 |
| Issues Regulatory, Licensing & Advisory Boards | | | | | | |
| Labels | | | | | | |
| Title State Board of Social Work Examiners: telemedicine Agency DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS (NJ) Description Regulation Summary Establishes telemedicine practice standards for Social Work Examiners. | | | | | | |

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| 7 | NJ | 51 N.J.R. 926(a) | Proposed Rule | Regular | Jun 17, 2019 | 1 |
| Issues Regulatory, Licensing & Advisory Boards | | | | | | |
| Labels | | | | | | |
| Title State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners: telemedicine Agency DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS (NJ) Description Regulation Summary Establishes telemedicine practice standards for physical therapists. | | | | | | |

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| 8 | NJ | 51 N.J.R. 919(a) | Proposed Rule | Regular | Jun 17, 2019 | 1 |
| Issues Regulatory, Licensing & Advisory Boards | | | | | | |
| Labels | | | | | | |
| Title State Board of Medical Examiners and Genetic Counseling Advisory Committee: genetic counselors—telemedicine Agency DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS (NJ) Description Regulation Summary Creates telemedicine practice standards for genetic counselors. | | | | | | |

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| 9 | NJ | 51 N.J.R. 946(a) | Final Rule | Regular | Jun 17, 2019 | 2 |
| Issues Regulatory, Licensing & Advisory Boards | | | | | | |
| Labels | | | | | | |
| Title Orthotics and Prosthetics Board of Examiners: telemedicine Agency DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS (NJ) Description Regulation Summary Creates telemedicine practice standards under the Orthotics and Prosthetics Board of Examiners. | | | | | | |

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| 10 | NJ | 51 N.J.R. 939(a) | Proposed Rule | Regular | Jun 17, 2019 | 1 |
| Issues Regulatory, Licensing & Advisory Boards | | | | | | |
| Labels | | | | | | |
| Title State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners: telemedicine Agency DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS (NJ) Description Regulation Summary Creates telemedicine practice standards for veterinarians. | | | | | | |

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| 11 | NJ | 51 N.J.R. 916(a) | Proposed Rule | Regular | Jun 17, 2019 | 1 |
| Issues Regulatory, Licensing & Advisory Boards | | | | | | |
| Labels | | | | | | |
| Title State Board of Medical Examiners: athletic trainers—telemedicine Agency DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS (NJ) Description Regulation Summary Creates telemedicine practice standards for athletic trainers. | | | | | | |

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| 12 | NJ | 51 N.J.R. 931(a) | Proposed Rule | Regular | Jun 17, 2019 | 1 |
| Issues Regulatory, Licensing & Advisory Boards | | | | | | |
| Labels | | | | | | |
| Title State Board of Psychological Examiners: telemedicine Agency DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS (NJ) Description Regulation Summary Creates telemedicine practice standards for psychologists. | | | | | | |

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| 13 | NJ | 51 N.J.R. 912(a) | Proposed Rule | Regular | Jun 17, 2019 | 1 |
| Issues Regulatory, Licensing & Advisory Boards | | | | | | |
| Labels | | | | | | |
| Title State Board of Medical Examiners: midwifery—telemedicine Agency DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS (NJ) Description Regulation Summary Creates telemedicine practice standards for midwives. | | | | | | |

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| 14 | NJ | 51 N.J.R. 934(a) | Proposed Rule | Regular | Jun 17, 2019 | 1 |
| Issues Regulatory, Licensing & Advisory Boards | | | | | | |
| Labels | | | | | | |
| Title Division of Consumer Affairs: Certified Psychoanalysts Advisory Committee—telemedicine Agency DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS (NJ) Description Regulation Summary Creates telemedicine practice standards for certified psychoanalysts. | | | | | | |

| # | State | Ref # | Status | Type | Intro Date | Document Count |
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| 15 | NJ | 51 N.J.R. 543(a) | Final Rule | Regular | May 06, 2019 | 2 |
| Issues Regulatory, Licensing & Advisory Boards | | | | | | |
| Labels | | | | | | |
| Title State Board of Marriage and Family Therapy Examiners: Art Therapists Advisory Committee rules Agency DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS (NJ) Description Regulation Summary Implements provisions authorizing licensed healthcare providers to engage in telemedicine and telehealth. | | | | | | |

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| 16 | NJ | 51 N.J.R. 561(a) | Proposed Rule | Regular | May 06, 2019 | 1 |
| Issues Regulatory, Licensing & Advisory Boards | | | | | | |
| Labels | | | | | | |
| Title State Board of Medical Examiners: provision of health care services through telemedicine or telehealth Agency DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS (NJ) Description Regulation Summary Would require physicians and podiatrists to hold a board-issued license when physically located in New Jersey and providing services via telehealth or telemedicine, or if they are physically located outside of New Jersey and providing services via telehealth or telemedicine. Would deem that a healthcare provider located outside of New Jersey, who is consulting with a New Jersey licensee, is not providing health care services in New Jersey and will not be required to obtain a state license. | | | | | | |

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| 17 | MA | 104 CMR 27 | Final Rule | Regular | Apr 05, 2019 | 2 |
| Issues | | Regulatory, Licensing & Advisory Boards | | | | |
| Labels | | | | | | |
| Title | | Massachusetts - 4/5/2019 - Mental Health, Department of | | | | |
| Agency | | Mental Health, Department of (MA) | | | | |
| Description | | 104 CMR 27.00 is promulgated to provide standards for licensing and operation of inpatient psychiatric facilities in the Commonwealth, consistent with DMH's statutory obligations. DMH is proposing expanding the use of telemedicine for the statutorily required physician assessment after an episode of restraint or seclusion, if the individual has been released from restraint or seclusion (or has settled after a medication restraint) prior to the time for the required assessment. This revision also adds clarification to fresh air access and transportation orders. | | | | |
| Regulation Summary | | DMH is proposing expanding the use of telemedicine for the statutorily required physician assessment after an episode of restraint or seclusion if the individual has been released from restraint or seclusion (or has settled after a medication restraint) prior to the time for the required assessment. | | | | |

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| 18 | NY | OMH-04-19-00002 | Final Rule | Regular | Jan 23, 2019 | 2 |
| Issues | | Medicaid Reimbursement | | | | |
| Labels | | | | | | |
| Title | | Expansion of Telemental Health (Telepsychiatry) Services to Additional OMH Licensed Settings and Programs | | | | |
| Agency | | Office of Mental Health (NY) | | | | |
| Description | | Substance of final rule:OMH has revised Part 596 in response to public comments received. The following is a summary of the changes that were made:• The use of the word “patient” was changed to “recipients” throughout, to more accurately reflect person-centered language.• The use of the phrase “licensed” was changed to “designated or licensed” or “licensed or authorized” throughout to reflect inclusion of Children’s Mental Health Rehabilitation Programs, or other programs that may be designated/authorized by OMH.• Several revisions were made to the reference to “spoke/originating site” in Sections 596.4(c), 596.5(a), and 596.7(a) & (b) to clarify and be consistent throughout. • “Definitions” section: The language was updated from ‘permit’ to ‘permit or limited permit’ where applicable. ‘Creative arts therapists’, ‘psychoanalysts’, and ‘marriage and family therapists’ were added as eligible practitioners able to deliver services via telemental health under ‘Telemental Health Practitioner’.• “Approval to Utilize Telemental Health Services” section: Language was added to 596.5(c)(1) to include ‘or because they are necessary to address workforce shortages’, to identify this as an additional reason that providers may seek to offer services via Telemental Health. In Section 596.5(d) the language was changed from ‘on-site visit’ to ‘remote readiness review’, to more accurately reflect what occurs. • “Requirements for Telemental Health Services” section: In Section 596.6(a)(1)(vi) language was added to state ‘from a secure site/location which ensures the minimum standards for privacy for recipient-clinician interaction are met’, to ensure that the distant/hub site meets the same standards as for in-person delivery. In Section 596.6(a)(5) language was removed regarding the requirement that the Telemental Health Practitioner display their license and current registration at the distant site throughout the encounter, as this was noted to not be the current practice for in-person encounters. In Sections 596.6(b)(2) & 596.6(b)(2)(i) clarifying language was added regarding informed consent to be consistent with in-person requirements/practices. • “Reimbursement for Telemental Health Services” section: In Section 596.7(b)(4) language was removed regarding the requirement that the results and findings of the encounter be communicated to the requesting provider of services, as this was noted to be unnecessary since documentation of such services should be within an Electronic Health Record and as such immediately available. • The “Recordkeeping” section was changed to read “Ownership and Maintenance of Records” to more clearly reflect the purpose of the section. | | | | |
| Regulation Summary | | Amends current telehealth regulations from the Office of Mental Health related to telemental health services. It would expand the sites, services and providers that would qualify for reimbursement under the program. | | | | |

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| 19 | NY | PDD-45-18-00001 | Proposed Rule | Regular | Nov 07, 2018 | 2 |
| Issues Regulatory, Licensing & Advisory Boards | | | | | | |
| Labels | | | | | | |
| Title | | Telehealth | | | | |
| Agency | | Office for People with Developmental Disabilities (NY) | | | | |
| Description | | | | | | |
| Regulation Summary | | The emergency adoption of regulations that authorizes telehealth as a new mechanism to deliver clinical services is necessary to protect the health, safety, and welfare of individuals receiving services in the OPWDD system. The proposed/emergency regulation will allow individuals to receive clinical services via telehealth. - REGULATION WITHDRAWN. | | | | |

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| 20 | ME | 10-144Ch.101Ch.II&IIISection40 | Final Rule | Emergency | Sep 26, 2018 | 2 |
| Issues Medicaid Reimbursement | | | | | | |
| Labels | | | | | | |
| Title | | Ch. 101, MaineCare Benefits Manual (MBM): Ch. II & III Section 40, Home Health Services | | | | |
| Agency | | Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), Office of MaineCare Services(OMS) - Division of Policy (ME), Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) Office of MaineCare Services (OMS) Division of Policy (ME) | | | | |
| Description | | <p>The Department of Health and Human Services finally adopts these major substantive rule changes to Ch. II and III Section 40 "Home Health Services" to add the use of Telemonitoring Services to be provided by home health agencies. Telemonitoring is the use of information technology to remotely monitor a member's health status through the use of clinical data while the member remains in the residential setting. Through telemonitoring a home health agency sets up equipment that allows for a member's vital statistics to be monitored daily. The addition of Telemonitoring Services is beneficial to members allowing them to receive medically necessary home health covered services that can be delivered remotely at comparable quality in their own homes. In addition these finally adopted major substantive rules are updated to state any home health service may be offered as the sole home health service and shall not be contingent upon the provision of another home health service. Other Ch. II changes include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * New definitions added: Health Care Provider and Telemonitoring Services. Authorized Agent is changed to Authorized Entity and updated throughout the policy. * Eligibility for Care changes: Medical Eligibility Requirements for Telemonitoring Services. * Additions to Covered Services: Telemonitoring Services. * Non-Routine Medical Supplies includes an updated link to billing instructions and list of supplies. * A typographical error in the header of Chapter II which previously read Chapter III has been corrected. * Pursuant to Section 12006 21st Century CURES Act Electronic Visit Verification (EVV) requirements for home health services providers effective January 1 2023 are added. * Limitations have been updated to reflect that members of Section 19 Home and Community-Based Services for the Elderly and Adults with Disabilities may receive authorization for nursing services through Section 40 Home Health Services should Section 19 nursing services be deemed insufficient to meet the member's needs. * Throughout the policy "mental retardation" has been updated to "individuals with intellectual disabilities" and "severe and disabling mental illness." * MaineCare Services Division of Customer Service has been updated to MaineCare Provider Services with an updated toll-free number. In addition Ch. III updates some of the procedure codes to support Ch. II Section 40 "Covered Services" including the addition of Telemonitoring Services. Pursuant to 22 MRS §42(8) the Department shall apply certain of these procedure codes retroactively effective eight (8) calendar quarters from when the Department finally adopts these rule changes. Additionally pursuant to Resolve 2017 ch. 61 To Support Home Health Services the Department increases the following reimbursement rates effective January 1 2019: G0299 G0300 G0151 G0151 TF G0152 G0152 TF G0153 G0153 TF G0155 and G0156. The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) already separately approved the State Plan Amendment (SPA) for Telehealth and Telemonitoring Services. The Department is seeking and anticipates receiving CMS approval for the changes to Section 40 Ch. II and III as noted specifically in the rules. Upon CMS approval those changes shall be effective. On February 15 2019 the Department provisionally adopted these rules. Subsequently the Department submitted the provisionally adopted rules to the Maine State Legislature for its review in accordance with 5 MRS §8072. The Maine State Legislature authorized the final adoption of these rules without making any changes to what was provisionally adopted. Resolves 2019 ch. 51 was signed by Governor Mills on June 6 2019. Given the emergency as set forth in Resolves 2019 ch. 51 the law takes effect when approved. These final adopted rules make the permanent changes to these rules as required by the Legislature. These final major substantive rules shall become effective thirty days after filing with the Secretary of State's Office. 5 MRS §8072(8). See http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/oms/rules/index.shtml for rules and related rulemaking documents. | | | | |
| Regulation Summary | | Sets forth rules relating to the increase of some reimbursement rates for Home Health Services. It includes new codes and reimbursement for Interactive Telehealth Services and Telemonitoring Services. | | | | |

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| 21 | NY | PDD-32-18-00003 | Final Rule | Regular | Aug 08, 2018 | 2 |
| Issues Other, Medicaid Reimbursement | | | | | | |
| Labels | | | | | | |
| Title | | Telehealth | | | | |
| Agency | | Office for People with Developmental Disabilities (NY) | | | | |
| Description | | To authorize telehealth as a new modality for the delivery of clinical services. | | | | |
| Regulation Summary | | This combined emergency rulemaking authorizes telehealth as a new modality for the delivery of clinical services under the Office for People with Disabilities. | | | | |

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| 22 | RI | 10189 | Proposed Rule | Regular | Aug 06, 2018 | 1 |
| Issues Medicaid Reimbursement, Medicare Reimbursement | | | | | | |
| Labels | | | | | | |
| Title | | Medicaid Managed Care Service Delivery Arrangements 210-RICR-40-10-1 | | | | |
| Agency | | Executive Office of Health and Human Services (RI) | | | | |
| Description | | | | | | |
| Regulation Summary | | Specifies that telemedicine is covered for participants in the Medicare-Medicaid Program. | | | | |

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| 23 | VT | 18P035 | Proposed Rule | Regular | Jul 04, 2018 | 1 |
| Issues Medicaid Reimbursement | | | | | | |
| Labels | | | | | | |
| Title | | Telemonitoring. | | | | |
| Agency | | Agency of Human Services (VT) | | | | |
| Description | | This proposed rulemaking is to repeal the Department of Vermont Health Access (DVHA) Rule 7702 titled "Telemonitoring" in its entirety. At the same time as filing this rulemaking, the Agency of Human Services (AHS) is filing a proposed rule titled "Telehealth " (3.101) which will set forth the criteria for telehealth, including telemonitoring, under Vermont's Medicaid program. | | | | |
| Regulation Summary | | Repeals the State Department of Health Access' rule titled telemonitoring in its entirety. | | | | |

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| 24 | VT | 18P030 | Proposed Rule | Regular | Jul 04, 2018 | 1 |
| Issues Medicaid Reimbursement | | | | | | |
| Labels | | | | | | |
| Title | | Telehealth. | | | | |
| Agency | | Agency of Human Services (VT) | | | | |
| Description | | The proposed rule sets forth the criteria for Medicaid coverage and reimbursement for Telehealth, including telemedicine, store and forward, and telemonitoring, under Vermont's Medicaid program. It is a new rule to be adopted as part of the sequential adoption of Health Care Administrative Rules designed to improve public accessibility and comprehension of the numerous rules concerning the operation of Vermont's Medicaid program. | | | | |
| Regulation Summary | | Sets forth the criteria for Medicaid coverage and reimbursement for telehealth; includes telemedicine, store and forward, and telemonitoring, under the state's Medicaid program. | | | | |