

Telehealth Modernization Act

Sec. 2. Extension of Certain Telehealth Flexibilities. This section extends Medicare telehealth flexibilities that were extended in the Full-Year Continuing Appropriations and Extensions Act, 2025, through September 30, 2027, establishes a special payment rule for telehealth services provided by Federally Qualified Health Centers and Rural Health Clinics, and imposes certain modifiers on telehealth services furnished incident to other services and telehealth visits furnished via contracts with certain virtual platforms.

Sec. 3. Requiring Modifier for Use of Telehealth to Conduct Face-to-Face Encounter Prior to Recertification of Eligibility for Hospice Care. This section instructs CMS to create a new Medicare claims form modifier in order to track when a hospice face-to-face recertification encounter occurs through telehealth.

Sec. 4. Extending Acute Hospital Care at Home Waiver Flexibilities. This section extends the Acute Hospital Care at Home initiative, as currently authorized under CMS waivers and flexibilities, through 2030. This section also establishes the parameters for a new interim study and report on the Acute Hospital Care at Home initiative.

Sec. 5. Enhancing Certain Program Integrity Requirements for DME Under Medicare. This section enacts certain oversight measures aimed at improving program integrity, such as with respect to aberrant billing practices and sources of waste, fraud, and abuse. This section also orders the Inspector General of the Department of Health and Human Services to conduct a study examining clinical lab tests at high risk of fraud.

Sec. 6. Guidance on Furnishing Services via Telehealth to Individuals with Limited English Proficiency. This section enacts the SPEAK Act, facilitating guidance and access to best practices on providing telehealth services accessibly.

Sec. 7. In-Home Cardiopulmonary Rehabilitation Flexibilities. This section would allow cardiopulmonary rehabilitation services to be furnished via telehealth at a beneficiary's home under Medicare in 2025 and 2026.

Sec. 8. Inclusion of Virtual Diabetes Prevention Program Suppliers in MDPP Expanded Model. This section expands participation in the Medicare Diabetes Prevention Program (MDPP) Expanded Model to virtual until 2030 and allows beneficiaries to participate virtually and in-person.