

HR 7663

Protecting Access to Post-COVID-19 Telehealth Act of 2020

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Rep. Lynch, Stephen F. [D-MA-8]	D · MA		Oct 30, 2020
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Rep. DeLauro, Rosa L. [D-CT-3]	D · CT		Nov 17, 2020
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred To	Jul 16, 2020
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Jul 16, 2020

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Jul 16, 2020)

Protecting Access to Post-COVID-19 Telehealth Act of 2020

This bill modifies requirements relating to coverage of telehealth services under Medicare.

Specifically, the bill (1) authorizes the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) to generally waive coverage restrictions during national emergencies, (2) allows rural health clinics and federally qualified health centers to serve as the distant site (i.e., the location of the health care practitioner), (3) removes restrictions that require the originating site (i.e., the location of the beneficiary) to be in a rural area, and (3) allows the home of a beneficiary to serve as the originating site for all services (rather than for only certain services).

Additionally, the CMS must report on the utilization of telehealth services specifically during the public health emergency relating to COVID-19 (i.e., coronavirus disease 2019).

Actions Timeline

- **Jul 16, 2020:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 16, 2020:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Social Security.
- **Jul 16, 2020:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.