

## HR 4437

HEALTH Act of 2021

**Congress:** 117 (2021–2023, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Health

**Introduced:** Jul 16, 2021

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (Jul 19, 2021)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/117th-congress/house-bill/4437>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Thompson, Glenn [R-PA-15]

**Party:** Republican • **State:** PA • **Chamber:** House

### Cosponsors (19 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Butterfield, G. K. [D-NC-1]	D · NC		Jul 16, 2021
Rep. Fitzpatrick, Brian K. [R-PA-1]	R · PA		Aug 3, 2021
Rep. Crow, Jason [D-CO-6]	D · CO		Aug 6, 2021
Rep. Cohen, Steve [D-TN-9]	D · TN		Aug 23, 2021
Rep. Harder, Josh [D-CA-10]	D · CA		Sep 17, 2021
Rep. Hinson, Ashley [R-IA-1]	R · IA		Sep 17, 2021
Rep. McKinley, David B. [R-WV-1]	R · WV		Nov 9, 2021
Rep. Bacon, Don [R-NE-2]	R · NE		Nov 16, 2021
Rep. Manning, Kathy E. [D-NC-6]	D · NC		Dec 2, 2021
Rep. Lee, Barbara [D-CA-13]	D · CA		Dec 20, 2021
Rep. Neguse, Joe [D-CO-2]	D · CO		Jan 3, 2022
Rep. Hayes, Jahana [D-CT-5]	D · CT		Jan 25, 2022
Del. Norton, Eleanor Holmes [D-DC-At Large]	D · DC		Mar 2, 2022
Rep. Ross, Deborah K. [D-NC-2]	D · NC		Mar 29, 2022
Rep. Bass, Karen [D-CA-37]	D · CA		Apr 7, 2022
Rep. Kuster, Ann M. [D-NH-2]	D · NH		Jun 21, 2022
Rep. Barragan, Nanette Diaz [D-CA-44]	D · CA		Jul 21, 2022
Rep. Gottheimer, Josh [D-NJ-5]	D · NJ		Aug 26, 2022
Rep. Cammack, Kat [R-FL-3]	R · FL		Sep 22, 2022

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Jul 19, 2021
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Jul 16, 2021

## Subjects & Policy Tags

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### Policy Area:

Health

## Related Bills

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*No related bills are listed.*

## Summary (as of Jul 16, 2021)

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### Helping Ensure Access to Local TeleHealth Act of 2021 or the HEALTH Act of 2021

This bill modifies requirements relating to Medicare coverage of telehealth services, including services that are furnished by federally qualified health centers (FQHCs) and rural health clinics (RHCs).

Specifically, the bill expands coverage to include audio-only telehealth services. It also permanently allows FQHCs and RHCs to serve as the distant site (i.e., the location of the health care practitioner) for telehealth services and excludes such services from certain geographic restrictions. Payment must be made in the same manner as for non-telehealth services, rather than in accordance with a separate methodology determined by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Jul 19, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Jul 16, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 16, 2021:** 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.
- **Jul 16, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.