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# **Maryland Medicaid Telehealth Program**

https://mmcp.health.maryland.gov/Pages/telehealth.aspx

#### **TELEHEALTH PROGRAM COVID-19 UPDATES**

#### Posted 6.02.2020

Telehealth Guidance for Home Health Agencies

Behavioral Health Administration Hospital Based Outpatient Programs Telehealth Guidance

#### Posted 5.11.2020

<u>Directive and Order Regarding The Board of Examiners for Audiologists, Hearing Aid Dispensers, and</u> Speech Language Pathologists

## Posted 5.06.2020

Guidance on Well-Child Visits and Preventive Care During the COVID-19 State of Emergency

### Posted 4.28.2020

<u>Hospital Provider Alert Guidance on Telehealth Services</u>

#### Posted 4.16.2020

Telehealth Guidance for SUD Residential Treatment Services During the COVID-19 Outbreak

<u>Telephone/Telehealth Services Authorized For Intensive Outpatient SUD Programs During the COVID-</u> 19 Outbreak Service Rules for SUD IOP (LEVEL 2.1)

#### Posted 4.14.2020

COVID-19 #14 - Use of Telephonic and Electronic Communication by Direct Care Providers
COVID-19 #16 - DDA Waiver Programs Telehealth and Telephonic Guidance

### Posted 4.7.2020

<u>COVID-19- IEP/IFSP Follow-up Guidance on Telephone Telehealth Services and Expansion of Medicaid Telehealth Regulations</u>

#### Posted 4.6.2020

COVID-19 #12- Temporary Registration of Registered Behavior Technicians and Telehealth Guidance for ABA Providers, effective March 5, 2020

#### Posted 4.2.2020

<u>Maryland Medicaid Telehealth Dentistry Guidance</u>
<u>Behavioral Health Administration COVID-19 Telehealth FAQ</u> (Updated July 31, 2020)

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**Temporary Expansion of Remote Patient Monitoring Services** 

#### Posted 3.27.2020

Updated Medicaid Telehealth Program Guidance-OT/PT/Speech and EPSDT Providers

#### Posted 3.25.2020

On March 20, 2020, Governor Hogan issued <u>Executive Order No. 20-03-20-01</u> to authorize the reimbursement of audio-only health care services and to grant further flexibility regarding the use of HIPAA-compliant telehealth technology during the state of emergency.

### Please see the following memoranda for guidance:

COVID-19 #4a-General Health Care Services, effective March 21, 2020

COVID-19 #4b- Behavioral Health Services, effective March 21, 2020

COVID-19 #4c-Psychiatric Rehabilitation Programs (PRP), effective March 21, 2020

Follow-up Guidance on Temporary Telehealth Services, March 24, 2020

#### Posted 3.17.2020

The Secretary of Health has temporarily expanded the definition of a telehealth originating site under COMAR 10.09.49.06 to include a participant's home or any other secure location as approved by the participant and the provider for purpose of delivery of Medicaid-covered services. The purpose of this expansion of regulatory authority is to ensure individuals can access certain health care services in their own home while mitigating possible risk for transmission of COVID-19. This expansion applies to services delivered to a Medicaid participant via fee-for-service or through a HealthChoice Managed Care Organization ("MCO"). This expansion will remain in place until further notice by the Department. Medicaid distant site providers delivering services via telehealth to a participant in their home must continue to comply with all other requirements of COMAR 10.09.49 and the Maryland Medicaid Telehealth Program Manual.

Please see the full text of the Secretary's order here: COVID-19 #1, March 12, 2020

For up to date information and guidance on COVID-19 in Maryland, visit https://coronavirus.maryland.gov.

### **EXTERNAL RESOURCES**

American Medical Association, COVID-19 Telehealth Guidance

FCC COVID-19 Telehealth Program

Maryland Board of Physicians, FAQ - Executive Order Relating to Various Health Care Matters issued March 16, 2020

Maryland Board of Physicians, Telehealth – Maryland State of Emergency – COVID-19

Maryland Board of Professional Counselors and Therapists, FAQ

Maryland Board of Social Work Examiners, COVID-19 Update

Maryland Boards of Examiner of Psychologists, COVID-19 Temporary Changes Update

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#### **TELEHEALTH GENERAL UPDATES**

Effective October 7, 2019, Maryland Medicaid Telehealth Program expanded telehealth to allow all distant site provider types. Providers must consult their professional licensing boards to check if rendering services via telehealth is permitted within their scope of practice. The Telehealth Program does not have any geographic restrictions.

Telehealth participants may be enrolled in the fee-for-service (FFS) program or a HealthChoice managed care organization (MCO). Telehealth providers must be enrolled in the Maryland Medical Assistance Program.

Effective January 1, 2018, the Maryland Department of Health reimburses for remote patient monitoring services for chronic conditions.

Email mdh.telemedicineinfo@maryland.gov for questions or requests for more information.

#### TELEHEALTH PROGRAM RESOURCES

COMAR 10.09.49 Telehealth Services (updated October 2019)
Telehealth Program Manual (updated April 2020)
Telehealth Frequently Asked Questions (updated April 2020)
Remote Patient Monitoring