

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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## IN SENATE

July 15, 2020

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Introduced by Sen. HARCKHAM -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Rules

AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to reimbursing health care providers at the same rate for telehealth visits as in-person visits

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. Subdivision 1 of section 2999-dd of the public health law,  
2 as amended by chapter 124 of the laws of 2020, is amended to read as  
3 follows:

4 1. Health care services delivered by means of telehealth shall be  
5 entitled to reimbursement on the same basis and to the same extent as if  
6 such services were provided in person under section three hundred  
7 sixty-seven-u of the social services law; provided however, reimburse-  
8 ment for additional modalities, provider categories and originating  
9 sites specified in accordance with section twenty-nine hundred ninety-  
10 nine-ee of this article, and audio-only telephone communication defined  
11 in regulations promulgated pursuant to subdivision four of section twen-  
12 ty-nine hundred ninety-nine-cc of this article, shall be contingent upon  
13 federal financial participation.

14 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

EXPLANATION--Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets  
[-] is old law to be omitted.

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