Sacramento, CA – The fourth edition of the Center for Connected Health Policy’s (CCHP) State Telehealth Laws and Reimbursement Policies Report is now available! CCHP’s report is the most comprehensive report on state telehealth laws, regulations and Medicaid policies available and contains the most current and up to date information for all 50 states and the District of Columbia. The full report is available at no cost to the public on CCHP’s website, which also includes a state-by-state interactive map to more easily access this information. This year, CCHP has also created an easy to read single page fact sheet and infographic summarizing the report’s key findings.

This year’s report found that as many states are beginning to expand telehealth reimbursement, others continue to restrict and place limitations on telehealth delivered services. Live video Medicaid reimbursement continues to far exceed reimbursement for store-and-forward and remote patient monitoring (RPM). In fact, the number of states offering any form of reimbursement for live video, store-and-forward or RPM services has remained stagnant since July 2015 (although there has been a shift in the particular states offering reimbursement for these modalities). These diverging policy directions are indicative of the vast difference in telehealth policies throughout the nation.

Some of the significant findings from the report include:

Medicaid Reimbursement

- **47 states** and Washington DC provide reimbursement for some form of live video in Medicaid fee-for-service.
- **9 states** reimburse for store and forward delivered services. States that only provide reimbursement for teleradiology were not counted in this number.
- **16 states** reimburse for remote patient monitoring (RPM)
- **5 states** reimburse for all three
- **30 states** provide a transmission and/or facility fee
- **10 states** have geographic/rural restrictions
- **23 states** limit reimbursement to a specific list of facilities, with **8** adding such a list to their policy in the past nine months

Private Payer Reimbursement

**33 jurisdictions** have laws that govern private payer reimbursement of telehealth. This is the most common policy change in states. Some laws require reimbursement be equal to in-person coverage, however not all laws mandate reimbursement.
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