
A few notes about this report:
1. Bills are organized into specific telehealth "topic area".
2. The Fiscal Note (FN) Outlook: The left hand column indicates the bill's Pre-Floor Score, and the right hand column indicates the bill's actual Floor Score of the last chamber it was in (either Senate or House).
3. Regulations are listed at the end in order of their publication date.
4. If you would like to learn more about any piece of legislation or regulation, the bill numbers and regulation titles are clickable and link out to additional information.

All Bills (by topic)

Broadband (1)
Title
Relates to the public service commission reviewing broadband and fiber optic services within the state

Description
Requires the public service commission to review broadband and fiber optic services within the state and requires the expansion of broadband and fiber optic services.

Primary Sponsors
Jen Metzger

Bill Summary:
Requires the public service commission to review the status of broadband and fiber optic services within the state and to construct and install those services in communities in which such services are absent.

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Cross-State Licensing (14)

Title
AN ACT CONCERNING MEMBERSHIP IN THE NURSE LICENSURE COMPACT.

Description
To require the Department of Public Health to determine the feasibility of becoming a member of the Nurse Licensure Compact.

Primary Sponsors
Joint Committee on Public Health

Bill Summary: Enacts the Nurse Licensure Compact.

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Title
An Act relative to nurse licensure compacts

Description
By Mr. Boncore, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 103) of Joseph A. Boncore and Kay Khan for legislation relative to nurse licensure compacts. Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

Primary Sponsors
Joe Boncore

Bill Summary: Enacts the Nurse Licensure Compact.
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**Title** relative to out-of-state applicants occupational licensure or certification.

**Primary Sponsors**
Mike Harrington

**Bill Summary:** Establishes rules for when a licensure or certification board can accept out-of-state licenses or certifications.

**Title** relative to allied health professional temporary licensure.

**Primary Sponsors**
Peter Schmidt

**Bill Summary:** Allows athletic trainer and genetic counselors to receive a temporary license to practice in the state of New Hampshire under certain circumstances.

**Title** repealing the emergency medical services personnel licensure interstate compact.

**Primary Sponsors**
Cindy Rosenwald

**Bill Summary:** Repeals the emergency medical services personnel licensure interstate compact.

**Title** Enters New Jersey into Emergency Medical Services Personnel Licensure Interstate Compact.

**Primary Sponsors**
Carol Murphy, Raj Mukherji, Ron Dancer

**Bill Summary:** Enacts the Emergency Medical Services Personnel Licensure Interstate Compact.

**Title** Enters New Jersey into Interstate Medical Licensure Compact.

**Primary Sponsors**
Carol Murphy, Ron Dancer

**Bill Summary:** Enacts the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact.
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**Title**
Enters New Jersey into Interstate Medical Licensure Compact.

**Primary Sponsors**
Joe Vitale, Joe Cryan

**Bill Summary:**
Enacts the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact.

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**Title**
Establishes certain requirements to use telemedicine and telehealth to respond to coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19).

**Primary Sponsors**
Joe Vitale, Jim Holzapfel, Shirley Turner, Vin Gopal, Dawn Addiego, Nilsa Cruz-Perez, Teresa Ruiz, Linda Greenstein, Tom Kean, Chris Brown, Sam Thompson, Bob Singer, Declan O'Scanlon

**Bill Summary:**
Establishes certain requirements to use telemedicine and telehealth to respond to coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19).

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**Title**
Enacts the military spouse act of 2019

**Description**
Enacts the military spouse act of 2019, which: requires a workshop to investigate and report about licensing and the difficulties encountered by military spouses (Part A); authorizes the state to certify persons to teach who are not graduates of teacher education programs (Part B); adopts the interstate nursing licensure compact (Part C); and authorizes licensing of military spouses with out-of-state licenses in equivalent occupations (Part D).

**Primary Sponsors**
Brian Miller

**Bill Summary:**
Adopts the Interstate Nursing Licensure Compact.
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**Title**
Enacts the interstate medical licensure compact

**Description**
Enacts the interstate medical licensure compact; provides a streamlined process that allows physicians to become licensed in multiple participating states, thereby enhancing the portability of a medical license and ensuring the safety of patients.

**Primary Sponsors**
Phil Palmesano

**Bill Summary:** Enacts the interstate medical licensure compact.

**Title**
Enacts the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact.

**Description**
Enacts the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact; provides a streamlined process that allows physicians to become licensed in multiple participating states, thereby enhancing the portability of a medical license and ensuring the safety of patients.

**Primary Sponsors**
Tom O'Mara

**Bill Summary:** Enacts the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact.

**Title**
An Act Relating To Making Appropriations In Support Of Fy 2021

**Description**
Enacts the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact in Rhode Island.

**Primary Sponsors**
Marvin Abney

**Bill Summary:** Enacts the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact in Rhode Island.

**Title**
An Act Relating To Businesses And Professions -- Nurse Licensure Compact (Amends The Nurse Licensure Compact And Adopts An Enhanced Version Of The Act, To Allow Nurses To Hold A Multi-State License Which Would Allow Them To Practice Across State Lines Without Having To Obtain Multiple Licenses.)

**Primary Sponsors**
Brian Kennedy, Marvin Abney, Camille Vella Wilkinson, Samuel Azzinaro, James McLaughlin

**Bill Summary:** Enacts the Nurse Licensure Compact.
Title
An Act addressing barriers to care for mental health

Description
SENATE, February 6, 2020 - The committee on Senate Ways and Means to whom was referred the Senate Bill relative to mental health parity implementation (Senate, No. 588) (also based on Senate, No. 1148), - reports, recommending that the same ought to pass with an amendment substituting a new draft entitled "An Act addressing barriers to care for mental health" (Senate, No. 2519).

Primary Sponsors
Senate Committee on Ways and Means

Bill Summary: Requires the Department to establish a pilot program to increase student access to telebehavioral health services in schools.

Title
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Primary Sponsors
Senate Committee on Ways and Means

Bill Summary: Creates the psychiatric mental health nurse practitioner fellowship pilot program, which incorporates live video conferencing.

Title
Resolve, To Increase Access to Brain Injury Waiver Services

Primary Sponsors
Charlotte Warren

Bill Summary: Requires the Department of Health and Human Services to explore opportunities to provide additional reimbursable services using telehealth to members receiving services under the brain injury waiver administered by the departments office of age and disability services.
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**Title**
Concerns diversion from criminal prosecution for persons with mental illness under certain circumstances.

**Primary Sponsors**
Valerie Vainieri Huttle

**Bill Summary:** The Department of Health shall develop and implement any pilot program necessary to improve response times when a law enforcement officer requests assistance in intervening with a person experiencing a mental health crisis. The department also shall develop and implement any pilot program necessary to expand the availability of mental health screening services in emergent situations by using mobile response units and telemedicine, and assigning licensed health care professionals to high-volume courts and county jails.

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**Title**
Concerns diversion from criminal prosecution for persons with mental illness under certain circumstances.

**Primary Sponsors**
Shirley Turner

**Bill Summary:** Requires the Department of Health to develop and implement any pilot program necessary to expand the availability of mental health screening services in emergent situations by using mobile response units and telemedicine.

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**Title**
Establishes various initiatives to expand availability of medication-assisted treatment.

**Primary Sponsors**
Joe Lagana

**Bill Summary:** Requires the State Board of Medical Examiners to develop a program to promote the use of medication-assisted treatment. At a minimum, the program shall (among other things) provide technical assistance and additional training to physicians seeking to use medication-assisted treatment to treat individuals with substance use disorders but who require or request additional support in the use of medication-assisted treatment, which support and assistance may include the use of telehealth and telemedicine to provide remote consultations with addiction medicine specialists.
**Title**
Establishes the sexual assault forensic examination telemedicine pilot program

**Description**
Establishes the sexual assault forensic examination telemedicine pilot program to provide expert, comprehensive, compassionate care to patients and training to support providers in health care facilities that do not have a designated sexual assault forensic examination program.

**Primary Sponsors**
Alleen Gunther

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**Title**
Relates to a study to analyze the adequacy of health networks and the delivery of gerontologic services and senior health care in New York state

**Description**
Directs the commissioner of health to conduct a study to analyze the adequacy of health networks and the delivery of gerontologic services and senior health care in New York state.

**Primary Sponsors**
Sandy Galef

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**Title**
Relates to telepsychiatry

**Description**
Relates to telepsychiatry and requires a study, report and recommendations regarding geriatric social isolation.

**Primary Sponsors**
Sue Serino

**Bill Summary:** Establishes a definition for telepsychiatry for its use in homebound or socially isolated geriatric populations. Requires the State Office for the Aging and the Department of Health to conduct a study to provide recommendations on identifying social isolation, including the development of telehealth programs to meet the needs of homebound or socially isolated geriatric patients.
Title
Enacts into law major components of legislation necessary to implement the state health and mental hygiene budget for the 2020-2021 state fiscal year

Description
Enacts into law major components of legislation necessary to implement the state health and mental hygiene budget for the 2020-2021 state fiscal year; relates to extending effectiveness of various payment provisions relating to healthcare (Part A); repeals the department of health's requirement to audit the number of working hours for a hospital resident (Part B); relates to creating a pay and pursue model within the early intervention program (Part C); relates to limiting the availability of enhanced quality of adult living program (“EQUAL”) grants (Part D); relates to eliminating certain health department programs, transfers the autism awareness and research fund to the office for people with developmental disabilities, and transfers responsibility for the comprehensive care centers for eating disorders to the office of mental health (Part E); relates to electronic prescriptions, in relation to the effectiveness thereof; relates to limiting the method of payment for prescription drugs under the medical assistance program, in relation to the effectiveness thereof; relates to continuing nursing home upper payment limit payments; relates to encouraging comprehensive health services, in relation to the effectiveness thereof; relates to allowing for the use of funds of the office of professional medical conduct for activities of the patient health information and quality improvement act of 2000, in relation to extending the provisions thereof; relates to the statewide health information network of New York and the statewide planning and research cooperative system and general powers and duties, in relation to the effectiveness thereof; relates to reimbursement to participating provider pharmacies and prescription drug coverage, in relation to extending the expiration of certain provisions thereof; relates to issuance of certificates of authority to accountable care organizations; relates to authorizing the commissioner of health to apply federally established consumer price index penalties for generic drugs, and authorizing the commissioner of health to impose penalties on managed care plans for reporting late or incorrect encounter data, in relation to the effectiveness of certain provisions thereof; relates to supplemental rebates, in relation to the effectiveness thereof; relates to participation and membership in a demonstration period; relates to fiscal intermediary services for the consumer directed personal assistance program, in relation to the effectiveness thereof; relates to rates for residential health care facilities, in relation to extending the effectiveness of certain provisions thereof; relates to medical reimbursement and welfare reform, in relation to extending the effectiveness of certain provisions thereof; relates to adjustments of... (click bill link to see more).

Primary Sponsors
Senate Committee on Budget and Revenues

Bill Summary: Allocates funds for telemedicine demonstration programs.
Title
AN ACT EXPANDING ACCESS TO MEDICAL SPECIALISTS FOR MEDICAID BENEFICIARIES IN SOUTHEASTERN CONNECTICUT.

Bill Summary: Amends statute to expand telehealth services under Medicaid to ensure adequate access to medical specialists.

Description
To ensure adequate access to medical specialists in southeastern Connecticut.

Primary Sponsors
Christine Conley

Title
An Act To Improve and Modernize Home-based Care

Bill Summary: Requires that the department provide reimbursement for telehealth or telemonitoring private duty nursing, home health services and personal care services for an adult MaineCare member with a physical disability or an adult who is elderly who is receiving MaineCare services under a waiver granted by the federal Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services for home-based and community-based services or state-funded home-based and community-based support services.

Primary Sponsors
Michele Meyer

Title
An Act To Promote Telehealth

Bill Summary: Provides for reimbursement of case management services delivered through telehealth to targeted populations. The bill also clarifies that telehealth services reimbursable under a health plan or the MaineCare program include consultation between health professionals regarding a patient, whether the consultation occurs in real time or asynchronously.

Primary Sponsors
Geoff Gratwick

Title
relative to the health care workforce and making appropriations therefor.

Bill Summary: Amends the definitions and services covered through telemedicine. Addresses Medicaid and private payers.

Primary Sponsors
Cindy Rosenwald
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**Title**
relative to telemedicine coverage and reimbursements.

**Primary Sponsors**
Jay Kahn

**Bill Summary:** Requires NH Medicaid to provide coverage and reimbursement for health care services on the same basis it is provided for health care services provided in person. The combined amount of the distant and originating site fees shall not be less than the total amount allowed for health services delivered in person. It also requires health plans to provide coverage and reimbursement of health care services provided over telemedicine on the same basis as services provided in person. The insurer shall provide a reasonable facility fee to an originating site. The combined amount of the distant and originating site fee shall not be less than the total amount allowed for health care services provided in person.

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**Title**
Provides for Medicaid coverage and reimbursement for mental health services provided through telepsychiatry.

**Primary Sponsors**
Ron Dancer, Valerie Vainieri Huttle, Anthony Verrelli

**Bill Summary:** Provides for Medicaid coverage and reimbursement for mental health services provided through telepsychiatry.

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**Title**
Requires Medicaid coverage for testing and treatment of coronavirus disease 2019.

**Primary Sponsors**
Joe Lagana, Joe Vitale

**Bill Summary:** Requires Medicaid coverage for testing and treatment of coronavirus disease 2019.

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**Title**
Requires health insurance and Medicaid coverage for testing of coronavirus disease 2019 and for telemedicine and telehealth during coronavirus disease 2019 state of emergency.

**Primary Sponsors**
Joe Vitale, Joe Lagana, Nellie Pou, Kip Bateman

**Bill Summary:** Requires health insurance and Medicaid coverage for testing of coronavirus disease 2019 and for telemedicine and telehealth during coronavirus disease 2019 state of emergency.
Title
Enacts into law major components of legislation necessary to implement the state education, labor, housing and family assistance budget for the 2020-2021 state fiscal year

Description
Enacts into law major components of legislation necessary to implement the state education, labor, housing and family assistance budget for the 2020-2021 state fiscal year; relates to contracts for excellence and the apportionment of public moneys; relates to the statewide universal full-day pre-kindergarten program; relates to conditions under which districts are entitled to apportionment; relates to courses of instruction in patriotism and citizenship and in certain historic documents; relates to instruction in the Holocaust in certain schools; relates to moneys apportioned to school districts for commercial gaming grants; relates to the universal pre-kindergarten program; relates to funding a program for work force education conducted by the consortium for worker education in New York city, in relation to reimbursements for the 2020-2021 school year; relates to funding a program for work force education conducted by the consortium for worker education in New York city, in relation to withholding a portion of employment preparation education aid; relates to certain provisions related to the 1994-95 state operations, aid to localities, capital projects and debt service budgets; relates to conditional appointment of school district, charter school or BOCES employees; relates to the provision of supplemental educational services, attendance at a safe public school and the suspension of pupils who bring a firearm to or possess a firearm at a school; relates to implementation of the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001; relates to the support of education; relates to school bus driver training; relates to special apportionment for salary expenses and public pension accruals; relates to authorizing the city school district of the city of Rochester to purchase certain services; relates to suballocations of appropriations; relates to authorizing the Roosevelt union free school district to finance deficits by the issuance of serial bonds; in relation to certain apportionments; relates to supplementary funding for dedicated programs for public school students in the East Ramapo central school district; authorizes deficit financing and an advance of aid payments for the Wyandanch union free school district, in relation to the issuance of serial bonds; and relates to the support of public libraries (Part A); relates to establishing the Syracuse Comprehensive Education and Workforce Training Center focusing on Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math to provide instruction to students in the Onondaga, Cortland and Madison county BOCES and the central New York region in the areas of science, technology, engineering, arts and mathematics (Part B); directs the commissioner of education to appoint a monitor for the Rochester city school district, establishing t... (click bill link to see more).

Primary Sponsors
Joint 2016 General Budget Conference Committee

Bill Summary: In order to increase the use of telehealth in some professions, allows the Commissioner to specify in regulation additional acceptable modalities for the delivery of health care services via telehealth, including but not limited to audio-only telephone communications, online portals and survey applications, and may specify additional categories of originating sites at which a patient may be located at the time health care services are delivered to the extent such additional modalities and originating sites are deemed appropriate for the populations served.
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### Bill Summary
Allows the Commissioner to specify in regulation additional acceptable modalities for the delivery of health care services via telehealth, including telephone, online portals and surveys. They may also identify additional categories of originating sites in order to increase application of telehealth in behavioral health, oral health, maternity care, care management, emergency departments and any service for high-need populations that are deemed appropriate.

### Primary Sponsors
Senate Committee on Budget and Revenues
Title
Relates to emergency medicine triage delivery of services

Description
Relates to emergency medicine triage delivery of services; provides that health care services provided by means of emergency medicine triage shall be entitled to reimbursement.

Bill Summary: Adds emergency medicine triage providers to the eligible telemedicine providers.

Primary Sponsors
Daphne Jordan

Title
An act relating to nutritional requirements for children's meals

Bill Summary: Requires the Department of Vermont Health Access to convene a working group to, among other items, study the potential to reimburse dentists and dental assistants for teledentistry.

Primary Sponsors
Alison Clarkson

Network Adequacy (1)

Title
Mental Health Early Action on Campus Act™; requires institutions of higher education to implement mental health programs and services.

Bill Summary: Requires institutions of higher education to form strategic partnerships with local mental health service providers and through a combination of on-campus capacity, off-campus linkage agreements with mental health service providers, and contracted telehealth therapy services, each institution shall attempt to reach a benchmark ratio of one clinical, non-student staff member to 1,250 students.

Primary Sponsors
John Armato, Valerie Vainieri Huttle

Online Prescribing (4)

Title
Permits use of telemedicine and telehealth to authorise patients for medical cannabis and to issue written instructions for dispensing medical cannabis.

Bill Summary: Authorizes the dispensing of medical marijuana through telemedicine and telehealth under certain circumstances.

Primary Sponsors
Pam Lampitt, Joann Downey
Title: Regulates Internet pharmacies and electronic prescriptions.

Primary Sponsors: John McKeon, Nancy Pinkin

Bill Summary: Regulates Internet pharmacies and electronic prescriptions.

Title: Permits use of telemedicine and telehealth to authorize patients for medical cannabis and to issue written instructions for dispensing medical cannabis.

Primary Sponsors: Declan O'Scanlon

Bill Summary: Permits the dispensing of medical marijuana through telemedicine and telehealth under certain circumstances.

Title: Establishes and authorizes telepharmacy in this state

Description: Establishes and authorizes telepharmacy in this state; defines terms; creates telepharmacy satellite consultation sites and telepharmacy in hospitals; authorizes the filling of prescriptions at remote sites connected to central pharmacies via computer link, videolink and audiolink; makes exceptions.

Primary Sponsors: Ken Blankenbush

Bill Summary: Establishes and authorizes telepharmacy in this state; defines terms; creates telepharmacy satellite consultation sites and telepharmacy in hospitals; authorizes the filling of prescriptions at remote sites connected to central pharmacies via computer link, videolink and audiolink; makes exceptions.

Other (2)

Title: An Act addressing barriers to care for mental health

Description: Senate, February 13, 2020– Text of the Senate Bill addressing barriers to care for mental health (being the text of Senate, No. 2519, printed as amended)

Bill Summary: Requires the Department, in consultation with the Department of Mental Health to promulgate regulations requiring all acute care hospitals to provide qualified behavioral health clinicians during all operating hours of an emergency department or a satellite emergency facility. The regulations shall permit evaluation via telemedicine, electronic or telephonic consultation as deemed appropriate.
### Title
An Act relative to healthcare consumer health options and increased care efficiency

### Description
By Mr. Tarr, a petition (accompanied by bill) (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Bruce E. Tarr, Ryan C. Fattman, Patrick M. O'Connor and Dean A. Tran for legislation relative to healthcare consumer health options and increased care efficiency. Health Care Financing.

### Primary Sponsors
Bruce Tarr

### Bill Summary:
Requires coverage of telehealth for employees or retirees of the Commonwealth. It also establishes rules related to credentialing and privileging and the appropriate use of telehealth.

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### Title
An Act to improve health care by investing in VALUE

### Primary Sponsors
Charles D. Baker

### Bill Summary:
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### Primary Sponsors
Charles D. Baker

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**Title**
An Act relative to healthcare consumer health options and increased care efficiency

**Description**
By Mr. Tarr, a petition (accompanied by bill) (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Bruce E. Tarr, Ryan C. Fattman, Patrick M. O’Connor and Dean A. Tran for legislation relative to healthcare consumer health options and increased care efficiency. Health Care Financing.

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**Title**
relative to the health care workforce and making appropriations therefor.

**Bill Summary:** Amends the definitions and services covered through telemedicine. Addresses Medicaid and private payers.

**Primary Sponsors**
Cindy Rosenwald

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**Title**
relative to telemedicine coverage and reimbursements.

**Bill Summary:** Requires NH Medicaid to provide coverage and reimbursement for health care services on the same basis it is provided for health care services provided in person. The combined amount of the distant and originating site fees shall not be less than the total amount allowed for health services delivered in person. It also requires health plans to provide coverage and reimbursement of health care services provided over telemedicine on the same basis as services provided in person. The insurer shall provide a reasonable facility fee to an originating site. The combined amount of the distant and originating site fee shall not be less than the total amount allowed for health care services provided in person.
### Bill Summary: Requires health insurance and Medicaid coverage for testing of coronavirus disease 2019 and for telemedicine and telehealth during coronavirus disease 2019 state of emergency.

**Primary Sponsors**
John McKeon, Jon Bramnick, Annette Chaparro, Joe Vitale, Joe Lagana, Nellie Pou, Kip Bateman

### Bill Summary: Establishes certain requirements to use telemedicine and telehealth to respond to coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19).

**Primary Sponsors**
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### Bill Summary: Requires payment parity for primary care services delivered through telehealth.

**Primary Sponsors**
Carrie Woerner

### Bill Summary: Requires parity in the standards of dental telehealth services.

**Primary Sponsors**
Dick Gottfried
### Title
Establishes a task force to conduct a study on the ability to utilize telehealth within the workers’ compensation system.

### Description
Establishes a task force to conduct a study on the ability to utilize telehealth within the workers’ compensation system.

### Primary Sponsors
Mike Ranzenhofer

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### Title
An act relating to telehealth

### Primary Sponsors
Lori Houghton

### Bill Summary:
Requires payment parity and coverage for dental services via telehealth and also requires coverage for store-and-forward services by private payers. Allows the Commissioner to require health plans to provide coverage for telephone or email.

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### Provider-Patient Relationship (2)

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### Regulatory, Licensing & Advisory Boards (14)
Title: An Act to improve health care by investing in VALUE

Primary Sponsors: Charles D. Baker

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Primary Sponsors: Bruce Tarr

Bill Summary: Requires coverage of telehealth for employees or retirees of the Commonwealth. It also establishes rules related to credentialing and privileging and the appropriate use of telehealth.

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Title: An Act To Implement the Recommendations of the Board of Dental Practice Related to the Definitions of "Supervision" and "Teledentistry"

Primary Sponsors: Denise Tepler

Bill Summary: It adds a definition of "teledentistry" and authorizes oral health care services and procedures to be provided through teledentistry in accordance with rules adopted by the Board of Dental Practice.
Title
relative to the commission on interdisciplinary primary care workforce.

Primary Sponsors
Martha Hennessey

Bill Summary: Amends the duties of the Interdisciplinary Primary Care Workforce to include collecting and reviewing data and information that informs decisions and planning for the primary care workforce and looking for innovative ways to expand primary care resources, including but not limited to interstate collaboration and the use of telehealth, among other duties.

Title
Establishes certain requirements to use telemedicine and telehealth to respond to coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19).

Primary Sponsors
Nancy Pinkin, BettyLou DeCroce, Dan Benson, Joe Vitale, Jim Holzapfel, Shirley Turner, Vin Gopal, Dawn Addiego, Nilsa Cruz-Perez, Teresa Ruiz, Linda Greenstein, Tom Kean, Chris Brown, Sam Thompson, Bob Singer, Declan O'Scanlon

Bill Summary: Establishes certain requirements to use telemedicine and telehealth to respond to coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19).

Title
Permits use of telemedicine and telehealth to authorize patients for medical cannabis and to issue written instructions for dispensing medical cannabis.

Primary Sponsors
Declan O'Scanlon

Bill Summary: Permits the dispensing of medical marijuana through telemedicine and telehealth under certain circumstances.

Title
Establishes certain requirements to use telemedicine and telehealth to respond to coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19).

Primary Sponsors
Joe Vitale, Jim Holzapfel, Shirley Turner, Vin Gopal, Dawn Addiego, Nilsa Cruz-Perez, Teresa Ruiz, Linda Greenstein, Tom Kean, Chris Brown, Sam Thompson, Bob Singer, Declan O'Scanlon

Bill Summary: Establishes certain requirements to use telemedicine and telehealth to respond to coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19).
Title
Relates to the creation of an online standardized medical physical examination form

Description
Requires the health commissioner to establish an online standardized medical physical examination form.

Primary Sponsors
Phil Steck

Bill Summary: Requires the health commissioner to establish an online standardized medical physical examination form.

Title
Relates to enacting the orthodontic tele-dentistry consumer protection act

Description
Enacts the "orthodontic tele-dentistry consumer protection act" placing additional requirements on licensed dental procedures entities and licensed dentists who perform cosmetic dental procedures including the posting of specific notices.

Primary Sponsors
Nathalia Fernandez

Bill Summary: Enacts the "orthodontic tele-dentistry consumer protection act" placing additional requirements on licensed dental procedures entities and licensed dentists who perform cosmetic dental procedures including the posting of specific notices.

Title
Relates to enacting the orthodontic tele-dentistry consumer protection act

Description
Enacts the "orthodontic tele-dentistry consumer protection act" placing additional requirements on licensed dental procedures entities and licensed dentists who perform cosmetic dental procedures including the posting of specific notices.

Primary Sponsors
Luis Sepulveda

Bill Summary: Establishes the orthodontic tele-dentistry consumer protection act. Requires dentists who perform orthodontic tele-dentistry to certify to the department annually that any procedures are performed in compliance with the standards of care prescribed by the American dental association, among other requirements.
Title
Relates to requiring parity in the standards of dental telehealth services

Description
Requires parity in the standards of dental telehealth services.

Primary Sponsors
Gustavo Rivera

Bill Summary: Requires parity in the standards of dental telehealth services, including maintaining the same standard of care that you would in person.

Title
An Act Relating To Health And Safety -- Consumer Protection In Eye Care Act (Creates Consumer Protection In Eye Care Act Which Establishes Standards For Eye Care.)

Primary Sponsors
Robert Jacquard, Charlene Lima, Joseph McNamara

Bill Summary: Creates an assessment mechanism to conduct eye assessment or to generate a prescription for contact lenses or visual aid glasses. It has certain requirements on providers, but specifies that it does not limit the discretion of a provider to direct a patient to utilize any telehealth service deemed appropriate.

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Primary Sponsors
Frank Ciccone, Frank Lombardo, Val Lawson, Maryellen Goodwin, Lombardi

Bill Summary: Creates an assessment mechanism to conduct eye assessment or to generate a prescription for contact lenses or visual aid glasses. It has certain requirements on providers, but specifies that it does not limit the discretion of a provider to direct a patient to utilize any telehealth service deemed appropriate.

Substance Use Disorder (3)

Title
relative to telemedicine and substance use disorder.

Primary Sponsors
William Marsh

Bill Summary: Requires an in-person exam to prescribe controlled substances unless not required due to the Special Registration the DEA is required to establish.
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**Title**
(New Title) relative to telemedicine and substance use disorder.

**Primary Sponsors**
Jay Kahn

**Bill Summary:** Allows for the practice of telemedicine and telehealth services for purposes of medication assisted treatment (MAT) under certain circumstances.

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**Title**
Establishes various initiatives to expand availability of medication-assisted treatment.

**Primary Sponsors**
Eliana Pintor Marin, Valerie Vainieri Huttle

**Bill Summary:** Requires the State Board of Medical Examiners, in consultation with the Commissioners of Health and Human Services, to develop a program to promote the use of medication-assisted treatment. Among other duties, the program shall provide technical assistance and additional training to physicians seeking to use medication-assisted treatment to treat individuals with substance use disorders but who require or request additional support in the use of medication-assisted treatment, which support and assistance may include the use of telehealth and telemedicine to provide remote consultations with addiction medicine specialists.

### Coronavirus (7)

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**Title**
Requires health insurance and Medicaid coverage for testing of coronavirus disease 2019 and for telemedicine and telehealth during coronavirus disease 2019 state of emergency.

**Primary Sponsors**
John McKeon, Jon Bramnick, Annette Chaparro, Joe Vitale, Joe Lagana, Nellie Pou, Kip Bateman

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Provides civil and criminal immunity to certain health care professionals and health care facilities during public health emergency and state of emergency; facilitates issuance of certain temporary licenses and certifications during public health emergency and state of emergency.

Primary Sponsors
Tom Kean, Steve Sweeney, Bob Smith, Declan O'Scanlon, Jim Kennedy, John Burzichelli, John DiMaio, Lou Greenwald

Bill Summary: Provides immunity for healthcare professionals or facilities utilizing telehealth or telemedicine during the COVID-19 crisis.
**Title**

Rules of the Board of Veterinary Medicine Vet 300-1000.

**Board of Veterinary Medicine (NH)**

This proposal implements the standards and procedures of the Board of Veterinary Medicine, pursuant to RSA 332-B, in Vet 300 through Vet 1000, the purpose of which is to promote public health, safety, and welfare by safeguarding the people of New Hampshire against incompetent, unscrupulous, and unauthorized persons and from unprofessional or illegal practices. Most of the existing rules in Vet 300-Vet 700 are interim rules which are scheduled to expire 1-28-20. The proposal readopts with amendments Vet 301 through 303 regarding Application Procedures, Qualifications, and Examination. The proposal repeals the existing Vet 304, Reciprocity. The proposal readopts with amendments Vet 305, Temporary Permit, and renumbers it as Vet 304. The proposal also readopts with amendments Vet 306, Fees, and renumbers it as Vet 305. The proposal readopts with amendments Vet 400, Continued Status. The proposal readopts with amendments Vet 501.01 and Vet 501.02 regarding the Principles of Veterinary Medical Ethics. The proposal readopts with amendments Vet 502.01 and renames the section as Emergency Coverage and After Hours Care. The proposal readopts with amendments Vet 601, Acupuncture. The proposal readopts Vet 602, Embryo Transfers. The proposal readopts with amendments Vet 700, Veterinary Medical Records. Proposed changes include requiring the use of the applicant's legal name for licensing; reconsideration of what criminal convictions can affect licensing; clarification of the temporary permitting process; increased licensing fees and fees for certain records while eliminating late fees; submission of public discipline to the American Association of State Veterinary Boards; clarified requirements for reporting of continuing education; clarified provisions for emergency and after hours care; and clarification of expected record-keeping standards. The proposal also adopts new rules Vet 306, Reinstatement of an Expired License; Vet 501.03, Veterinary Specialists; Vet 502.02, After Hours Care; Vet 503, Euthanasia; Vet 603, Telemedicine; Vet 800, Veterinary Nurses, Veterinary Technicians, and Veterinary Assistants; Vet 900, Dental Care; and Vet 1000, Opioid Management. NEW HAMPSHIRE RULEMAKING REGISTER November 14, 2019. Page 5 NN 2019-196 Continued Proposed additions include clarification relative to addressing expired licenses; requiring the use of the applicant's legal name for licensing; restrictions on the use of specialty designations; reference to standards for euthanasia; clarification of allowable uses of veterinary nurses, technicians, assistants, and students; restrictions on veterinary dental care; and required acts related to opioid management.

Adopts new telemedicine rules for veterinarians.

**Title**

Division of Consumer Affairs, Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology Advisory Committee: telemedicine rules

**DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS (NJ)**

Creates telemedicine practice standards for Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology, including how a licensee can create a licensee-patient relationship.
### Designated Services (Acupuncture and Telepractice)

**Agency:** Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services (NY)

**Description:** To identify standards for designation to provide acupuncture or telepractice services.

**Regulation Summary:** Requires preauthorization from the Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services before implementing telepractice services. It also restricts the types of services that can be delivered through telepractice.

### State Board of Medical Examiners and State Acupuncture Examining Board: telemedicine

**Agency:** DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS (NJ)

**Description:** Establishes telemedicine practice standards for acupuncturists.

### State Board of Nursing: telemedicine

**Agency:** DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS (NJ)

**Description:** Establishes telemedicine practice standards for nurses.

### State Board of Social Work Examiners: telemedicine

**Agency:** DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS (NJ)

**Description:** Establishes telemedicine practice standards for Social Work Examiners.

### State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners: telemedicine

**Agency:** DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS (NJ)

**Description:** Establishes telemedicine practice standards for physical therapists.
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