

# South Central TRC Aug. 2019 Legislative Update

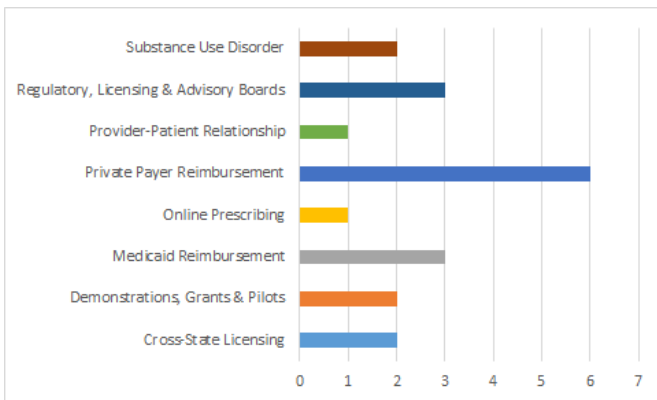
Last Updated: August 28, 2019

South Central Telehealth Resource Center covers the states of Arkansas, Mississippi, & Tennessee

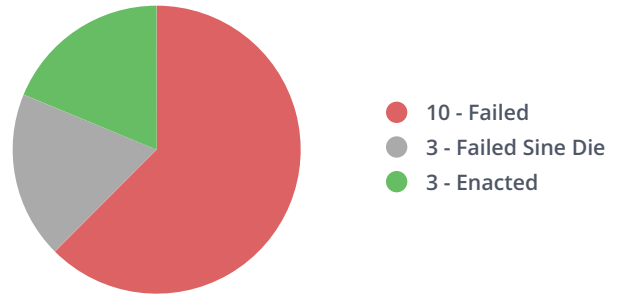
A few notes about this report:

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.

## Bills by Topic



## Bills by Status



## All Bills by Topic

### Cross-State Licensing (2)

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status
AR	<a href="#">HB 1421</a>	Notification That Hb 1421 Is Now Act 313 2019 03 05	Enacted

**Title**  
To Establish The Interstate Physical Therapy Licensure Compact In Arkansas.

**Bill Summary:** Enacts the Interstate Physical Therapy Licensure Compact in Arkansas.

**Primary Sponsors**  
Justin Boyd

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status
MS	<a href="#">SB 2731</a>	Died In Committee 2019 02 05	Failed

**Title**  
Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Program; transfer from State Department of Health to MS Department of Insurance.

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

**Description**  
An Act To Transfer The Emergency Medical Services Program (Ems) From The State Department Of Health To The Mississippi Department Of Insurance; To Provide For The Transfer Of Employees, Property, Staff And Funds; To Provide For The Transfer Of The Authority To Certify Emergency Medical Technicians; To Amend Or Bring Forward Sections 41-59-1 Through 41-59-79 And 41-60-11, 41-60-13, 41-60-31 And 41-60-33, Mississippi Code Of 1972, In Conformity; And For Related Purposes.

**Primary Sponsors**  
Videt Carmichael

### Demonstrations, Grants & Pilot Projects (2)

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status
AR	<a href="#">HB 1471</a>	Notification That Hb 1471 Is Now Act 644 2019 04 01	Enacted

**Title**  
To Create The Mental Health For Individuals Who Are Deaf Or Hard Of Hearing Bill Of Rights Act.

**Primary Sponsors**  
Charlene Fite

**Bill Summary:** Provides for statewide mental health services and requires the Division of Aging, Adult, and Behavioral Health Services of the Department of Human Services to develop and implement strategies for ensuring access to culturally affirmative mental health services and linguistically appropriate mental health services by clients in geographic areas where there is a lack of shortage of certified mental health professionals, which may include telemedicine or other remote technology.

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status
AR	<a href="#">SB 252</a>	Notification That Sb 252 Is Now Act 878 2019 04 17	Enacted

**Title**  
To Provide For Insurance Coverage For Treatment Of Pediatric Autoimmune Neuropsychiatric Disorders Associated With Streptococcal Infection And Pediatric Acute-Onset Neuropsychiatric Syndrome.

**Primary Sponsors**  
Kim Hammer

**Bill Summary:** Establishes coverage for services related to pediatric autoimmune neuropsychiatric disorders associated with streptococcal infections and pediatric acute-onset neuropsychiatric syndrome. States that services delivered through the University of Arkansas will be available through telemedicine.

### Medicaid Reimbursement (3)

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status
AR	<a href="#">HB 1727</a>	Withdrawn By Author 2019 04 03	Failed sine die

**Title**  
Concerning Coverage By An Insurer For Intraoperative Neurophysiological Monitoring.

**Primary Sponsors**  
Jim Dotson

**Bill Summary:** Provides that a health benefit plan under the Arkansas Medicaid Program shall provide coverage and reimbursement for intraoperative neuropsychological monitoring provided through telemedicine, per hour and on the same basis as the health benefit plan provides coverage and reimbursement for health services provided in person.

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status
MS	<a href="#">SB 2064</a>	Died In Committee 2019 02 05	Failed

**Title**  
Telemedicine medical services to students in school-based setting; authorize Medicaid reimbursement to physicians.

**Description**  
An Act To Amend Section 43-13-117, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Authorize Medicaid Reimbursement To Physicians Providing Telemedicine Medical Services To Students In A School-Based Setting; And For Related Purposes.

**Primary Sponsors**  
Terry Burton

**Bill Summary:** This bill authorizes telemedicine reimbursement for Medicaid that is delivered to students in a school-based setting.

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status
MS	<a href="#">SB 2689</a>	Died In Committee 2019 02 05	Failed

**Title**  
Health insurance and telemedicine services; impose certain statutory conditions.

**Description**  
An Act To Amend Section 83-9-351, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Provide That A Health Insurance Or Employee Benefit Plan Shall Not Delay Or Condition Payment To A Health Care Provider On The Coordination Of The Filing Of Claims Between Originating And Distant Sites; To Amend Section 83-9-353, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Provide That Store And Forward Telemedicine Services And Remote Patient Monitoring Services Shall Not Be Unduly Restricted Based On The Patient'S Geographic Proximity To A Network Provider; And For Related Purposes.

**Primary Sponsors**  
Josh Harkins

**Bill Summary:** Makes certain adjustments to Mississippi's telehealth private payer law requirements, such as requiring that health plans not place geographic restrictions on the use of telehealth, and other billing/technical requirements. It also reduces the requirements on coverage for remote patient monitoring services.

Online Prescribing (1)

**Title**  
Opioid Crisis Intervention Act; create.

**Description**

An Act To Be Known As The "Opioid Crisis Intervention Act"; To Amend Section 41-29-149.1, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Expand The Types Of Drug Violations For Which A Person May Not Be Prosecuted When Complying With The Mississippi Medical Emergency Good Samaritan Act; To Amend Section 41-127-1, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Authorize Telemedicine Providers To Provide Treatment For Substance Use Disorders, Including Medication Assisted Treatment; To Authorize Municipalities, Counties And Public Or Private Educational Institutions To Adopt A Pre-Arrest Diversion Program To Which Law Enforcement Officers May Divert Adults Who Commit A Nonviolent Offense; To Require Adults Who Are Diverted To Be Provided Appropriate Assessment, Intervention, Education And Behavioral Health Care Services; To Authorize The Law Enforcement Agency To Criminally Charge The Adult For The Original Offense And Refer The Case To The Appropriate Prosecuting Agency If The Adult Does Not Participate In The Pre-Arrest Diversion Program; To Prohibit An Arrest Record From Being Associated With The Offense If The Adult Successfully Completes The Diversion Program; To Amend Section 63-1-53, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Provide That After Certain Notice Is Given To A Person Failing To Timely Pay Any Fines, Fees And Assessments Relating To A Traffic Violation Within 90 Days Of Receiving The Notice, The Person Is Subject To Having The Fines, Fees And Assessments Collected By A Court Rather Than Having His Or Her License Suspended; To Amend Section 63-1-52, Mississippi Code Of 1972, In Conformity To The Preceding Section; To Amend Section 63-1-71, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Delete The Requirement That A Person'S License Be Suspended For A Controlled Substance Violation That Is Unrelated To Operating A Motor Vehicle; To Amend Section 63-1-51, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Delete The Offense Of Contempt For Failure To Pay A Fine Or Fee Or Failure To Respond To A Summons Or Citation Relating To A Traffic Violation As A Grounds For Revoking A Person'S License; To Amend Section 9-23-15, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Authorize A Judge To Allow A Person To Be Eligible For Alternative Sentencing Through A Drug Court If He Or She Has Been Convicted Of Burglary Of An Unoccupied Dwelling; To Amend Section 9-23-13, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Require Drug Courts To Allow Participants To Use Medication Assisted Treatment While Participating In A Drug Court Program; And For Related Purposes.

**Primary Sponsors**

Chris Brown

**Bill Summary:** Authorizes telemedicine providers to provide treatment for substance use disorder, including medication assisted treatment.

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status
AR	<a href="#">HB 1742</a>	Died On House Calendar At Sine Die Adjournment 2019 04 24	Failed

**Title**  
To Establish The Short-Term, Limited-Duration Insurance Act.

**Bill Summary:** Provides for "short-term, limited-duration insurance" which includes telemedicine as a covered benefit.

**Primary Sponsors**  
Mary Bentley

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status
MS	<a href="#">HB 738</a>	Died In Committee 2019 02 05	Failed

**Title**  
Telemedicine; revise insurance laws regarding.

**Bill Summary:** Removes certain restrictions on the reimbursement of store and forward and remote patient monitoring. It also states that no geographic restrictions may be placed on coverage and that an insurer cannot delay or condition payment on the coordination of the filing of claims between the originating and distant site providing telemedicine for the same episode of care.

**Description**  
An Act To Amend Section 83 9 351, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Provide That A Health Insurance Or Employee Benefit Plan Shall Not Delay Or Condition Payment To A Health Care Provider On The Coordination Of The Filing Of Claims Between Originating And Distant Sites; To Amend Section 83 9 353, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Remove Certain Restrictions On Store And Forward Telemedicine Services And Remote Patient Monitoring Services; And For Related Purposes.

**Primary Sponsors**  
Brent Powell

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status
MS	<a href="#">SB 2689</a>	Died In Committee 2019 02 05	Failed

**Title**  
Health insurance and telemedicine services; impose certain statutory conditions.

**Bill Summary:** Makes certain adjustments to Mississippi's telehealth private payer law requirements, such as requiring that health plans not place geographic restrictions on the use of telehealth, and other billing/technical requirements. It also reduces the requirements on coverage for remote patient monitoring services.

**Description**  
An Act To Amend Section 83-9-351, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Provide That A Health Insurance Or Employee Benefit Plan Shall Not Delay Or Condition Payment To A Health Care Provider On The Coordination Of The Filing Of Claims Between Originating And Distant Sites; To Amend Section 83-9-353, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Provide That Store And Forward Telemedicine Services And Remote Patient Monitoring Services Shall Not Be Unduly Restricted Based On The Patient'S Geographic Proximity To A Network Provider; And For Related Purposes.

**Primary Sponsors**  
Josh Harkins

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status
MS	<a href="#">SB 2690</a>	Died In Committee 2019 02 05	Failed

**Title**

Health insurance and telemedicine services; impose certain statutory conditions.

**Bill Summary:** Provides that store and forward and remote patient monitoring services shall not be unduly restricted based on the patient's geographic proximity to a network provider.

**Description**

An Act To Amend Section 83-9-351, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Provide That A Health Insurance Or Employee Benefit Plan Shall Not Delay Or Condition Payment To A Health Care Provider On The Coordination Of The Filing Of Claims Between Originating And Distant Sites; To Amend Section 83-9-353, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Provide That Store And Forward Telemedicine Services And Remote Patient Monitoring Services Shall Not Be Unduly Restricted Based On The Patient'S Geographic Proximity To A Network Provider; And For Related Purposes.

**Primary Sponsors**

Dean Kirby

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status
TN	<a href="#">HB 753</a>	Rec For Pass If Am Ref To Finance Ways And Means Committee 2019 04 09	Failed sine die

**Title**

Insurance Companies, Agents, Brokers, Policies - As introduced, adds a patient's residence and place of employment, if equipped to engage in telehealth communications, as locations a patient may be and receive telehealth services covered by health insurance; revises other telehealth provisions. - Amends TCA Title 56.

**Bill Summary:** Amends Tennessee's private payer telehealth law to incorporate in the definition of telehealth remote patient monitoring. It also would allow a school or patient's residence to be a qualified site.

**Primary Sponsors**

Robin Smith

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status
TN	<a href="#">SB 1169</a>	Action Deferred In Senate Commerce And Labor Committee To 2020 2019 04 16	Failed sine die

**Title**

Insurance Companies, Agents, Brokers, Policies - As introduced, adds a patient's residence and place of employment, if equipped to engage in telehealth communications, as locations a patient may be and receive telehealth services covered by health insurance; revises other telehealth provisions. - Amends TCA Title 56.

**Bill Summary:** Amends Tennessee's telehealth private payer law to include remote patient monitoring and additional patient locations.

**Primary Sponsors**

Art Swann

## Provider-Patient Relationship (1)

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status
AR	<a href="#">HB 1220</a>	Died On House Calendar At Sine Die Adjournment 2019 04 24	Failed

**Title**  
To Amend The Telemedicine Act; To Ensure That Telemedicine Is The Least Restrictive Method To Deliver Healthcare Services Remotely; And To Expand The Definition Of "Professional Relationship".

**Primary Sponsors**  
Dan Sullivan

**Bill Summary:** Amends rules for establishing a professional relationship over telemedicine. Allows a professional relationship to exist when established with store-and-forward technology in conjunction with audio interaction and review of clinical information.

### Regulatory, Licensing & Advisory Boards (3)

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status
AR	<a href="#">HB 1220</a>	Died On House Calendar At Sine Die Adjournment 2019 04 24	Failed

**Title**  
To Amend The Telemedicine Act; To Ensure That Telemedicine Is The Least Restrictive Method To Deliver Healthcare Services Remotely; And To Expand The Definition Of "Professional Relationship".

**Primary Sponsors**  
Dan Sullivan

**Bill Summary:** Amends rules for establishing a professional relationship over telemedicine. Allows a professional relationship to exist when established with store-and-forward technology in conjunction with audio interaction and review of clinical information.

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status
AR	<a href="#">SB 680</a>	Sine Die Adjournment 2019 04 25	Failed

**Title**  
To Amend The Telemedicine Act; To Ensure That Telemedicine Is The Least Restrictive Method To Deliver Healthcare Services Remotely; And To Expand The Definition Of "Professional Relationship".

**Primary Sponsors**  
Dave Wallace

**Bill Summary:** Provides that a professional relationship with a patient may be established through the use of store-and-forward in conjunction with audio interaction and review of clinical information.

**Title**  
Opioid Crisis Intervention Act; create.

**Description**

An Act To Be Known As The "Opioid Crisis Intervention Act"; To Amend Section 41-29-149.1, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Expand The Types Of Drug Violations For Which A Person May Not Be Prosecuted When Complying With The Mississippi Medical Emergency Good Samaritan Act; To Amend Section 41-127-1, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Authorize Telemedicine Providers To Provide Treatment For Substance Use Disorders, Including Medication Assisted Treatment; To Authorize Municipalities, Counties And Public Or Private Educational Institutions To Adopt A Pre-Arrest Diversion Program To Which Law Enforcement Officers May Divert Adults Who Commit A Nonviolent Offense; To Require Adults Who Are Diverted To Be Provided Appropriate Assessment, Intervention, Education And Behavioral Health Care Services; To Authorize The Law Enforcement Agency To Criminally Charge The Adult For The Original Offense And Refer The Case To The Appropriate Prosecuting Agency If The Adult Does Not Participate In The Pre-Arrest Diversion Program; To Prohibit An Arrest Record From Being Associated With The Offense If The Adult Successfully Completes The Diversion Program; To Amend Section 63-1-53, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Provide That After Certain Notice Is Given To A Person Failing To Timely Pay Any Fines, Fees And Assessments Relating To A Traffic Violation Within 90 Days Of Receiving The Notice, The Person Is Subject To Having The Fines, Fees And Assessments Collected By A Court Rather Than Having His Or Her License Suspended; To Amend Section 63-1-52, Mississippi Code Of 1972, In Conformity To The Preceding Section; To Amend Section 63-1-71, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Delete The Requirement That A Person'S License Be Suspended For A Controlled Substance Violation That Is Unrelated To Operating A Motor Vehicle; To Amend Section 63-1-51, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Delete The Offense Of Contempt For Failure To Pay A Fine Or Fee Or Failure To Respond To A Summons Or Citation Relating To A Traffic Violation As A Grounds For Revoking A Person'S License; To Amend Section 9-23-15, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Authorize A Judge To Allow A Person To Be Eligible For Alternative Sentencing Through A Drug Court If He Or She Has Been Convicted Of Burglary Of An Unoccupied Dwelling; To Amend Section 9-23-13, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Require Drug Courts To Allow Participants To Use Medication Assisted Treatment While Participating In A Drug Court Program; And For Related Purposes.

**Primary Sponsors**

Chris Brown

**Bill Summary:** Authorizes telemedicine providers to provide treatment for substance use disorder, including medication assisted treatment.



**Title**  
Opioid Crisis Intervention Act; create.

**Bill Summary:** Authorizes telemedicine providers to provide treatment for substance use disorder, including medication assisted treatment.

**Description**

An Act To Be Known As The "Opioid Crisis Intervention Act"; To Amend Section 41-29-149.1, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Expand The Types Of Drug Violations For Which A Person May Not Be Prosecuted When Complying With The Mississippi Medical Emergency Good Samaritan Act; To Amend Section 41-127-1, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Authorize Telemedicine Providers To Provide Treatment For Substance Use Disorders, Including Medication Assisted Treatment; To Authorize Municipalities, Counties And Public Or Private Educational Institutions To Adopt A Pre-Arrest Diversion Program To Which Law Enforcement Officers May Divert Adults Who Commit A Nonviolent Offense; To Require Adults Who Are Diverted To Be Provided Appropriate Assessment, Intervention, Education And Behavioral Health Care Services; To Authorize The Law Enforcement Agency To Criminally Charge The Adult For The Original Offense And Refer The Case To The Appropriate Prosecuting Agency If The Adult Does Not Participate In The Pre-Arrest Diversion Program; To Prohibit An Arrest Record From Being Associated With The Offense If The Adult Successfully Completes The Diversion Program; To Amend Section 63-1-53, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Provide That After Certain Notice Is Given To A Person Failing To Timely Pay Any Fines, Fees And Assessments Relating To A Traffic Violation Within 90 Days Of Receiving The Notice, The Person Is Subject To Having The Fines, Fees And Assessments Collected By A Court Rather Than Having His Or Her License Suspended; To Amend Section 63-1-52, Mississippi Code Of 1972, In Conformity To The Preceding Section; To Amend Section 63-1-71, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Delete The Requirement That A Person'S License Be Suspended For A Controlled Substance Violation That Is Unrelated To Operating A Motor Vehicle; To Amend Section 63-1-51, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Delete The Offense Of Contempt For Failure To Pay A Fine Or Fee Or Failure To Respond To A Summons Or Citation Relating To A Traffic Violation As A Grounds For Revoking A Person'S License; To Amend Section 9-23-15, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Authorize A Judge To Allow A Person To Be Eligible For Alternative Sentencing Through A Drug Court If He Or She Has Been Convicted Of Burglary Of An Unoccupied Dwelling; To Amend Section 9-23-13, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Require Drug Courts To Allow Participants To Use Medication Assisted Treatment While Participating In A Drug Court Program; And For Related Purposes.

**Primary Sponsors**

Chris Brown

**Title**

Opioid Crisis Intervention Act; create.

**Description**

An Act To Be Known As The Opioid Crisis Intervention Act; To Amend Section 41-29-149.1, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Expand The Types Of Drug Violations For Which A Person May Not Be Prosecuted When Complying With The Mississippi Medical Emergency Good Samaritan Act; To Amend Section 41-127-1, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Provide That Telemedicine Providers Shall Be Allowed To Provide Treatment For Substance Use Disorders, Including Medication-Assisted Treatment; To Authorize Municipalities, Counties And Public Or Private Educational Institutions To Adopt A Pre-Arrest Diversion Program In Which Law Enforcement Officers Of The Entity May Divert Adults Who Commit A Nonviolent Offense; To Provide That Adults Who Are Diverted Shall Be Provided Appropriate Assessment, Intervention, Education And Behavioral Health Care Services; To Provide That If The Adult Does Not Participate In The Pre-Arrest Diversion Program, The Law Enforcement Agency May Criminally Charge The Adult For The Original Offense And Refer The Case To The Appropriate Prosecuting Agency To Determine If Prosecution Is Appropriate; To Provide That If The Adult Successfully Completes The Program, An Arrest Record Shall Not Be Associated With The Offense; To Amend Section 63-1-53, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Provide That After Certain Notice Is Given To A Person Who Fails To Timely Pay Any Fines, Fees And Assessments Relating To A Traffic Violation Within 90 Days Of Receiving The Notice, Then The Person Shall Be Subject To Having The Fines, Fees And Assessments Collected By A Court Rather Than Having His Or Her License Suspended; To Amend Section 63-1-52, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Conform To The Preceding Section; To Amend Section 63-1-71, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Remove The Requirement That A Person'S License Be Suspended For A Controlled Substance Violation That Is Unrelated To Operating A Motor Vehicle; To Amend Section 63-1-51, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Remove The Offense Of Contempt For Failure To Pay A Fine Or Fee Or Failure To Respond To A Summons Or Citation Relating To A Traffic Violation As A Grounds For Revoking A Person'S License; To Amend Section 9-23-15, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Provide That A Judge May Authorize A Person To Be Eligible For Alternative Sentencing Through A Drug Court If He Or She Has Been Convicted Of Burglary Of An Unoccupied Dwelling; To Amend 9-23-13, To Provide That Drug Courts May Allow Participants To Use Medication-Assisted Treatment; And For Related Purposes.

**Primary Sponsors**

Sally Doty

**Bill Summary:** Authorizes telemedicine providers to provide treatment for substance use disorders, including medication assisted treatment.

# SCTRC Aug. 2019 Regulatory Update

Aug 28, 2019

Total State Regs Exported : 14

#	State	Ref #	Status	Type	Intro Date	Document Count
1	MS		Proposed Rule	Regular	Jul 30, 2019	2
<b>Issues</b>		Online Prescribing				
<b>Labels</b>						
<b>Title</b>		<a href="#">Part 2635 Chapter 5: Practice of Telemedicine, Rule 5.9</a>				
<b>Agency</b>		STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE (MS)				
<b>Description</b>		New rule to establish practice requirements for physicians who wish to dispense medications via technology/automated systems via telemedicine.				
<b>Regulation Summary</b>		Establishes practice requirements for physicians who wish to dispense medications via technology/automated systems via telemedicine.				

#	State	Ref #	Status	Type	Intro Date	Document Count
2	MS		Proposed Rule	Regular	May 13, 2019	2
<b>Issues</b>		Regulatory, Licensing & Advisory Boards				
<b>Labels</b>						
<b>Title</b>		<a href="#">Part 2635 Chapter 5: Practice of Telemedicine, Rule 5.1</a>				
<b>Agency</b>		STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE (MS)				
<b>Description</b>		Rule 5.1 is being modified to clarify the rules regarding the use of telemedicine.				
<b>Regulation Summary</b>		Amends the definition of telemedicine to include "store and forward" and clarify that the patient must be in a separate location and the interaction must replicate the experience of in-person care. It also provides a revised definition for "emergency telemedicine".				

#	State	Ref #	Status	Type	Intro Date	Document Count
3	MS		Proposed Rule	Regular	May 13, 2019	2
<b>Issues</b>		Regulatory, Licensing & Advisory Boards				
<b>Labels</b>						
<b>Title</b>		<a href="#">Part 2635 Chapter 5: Practice of Telemedicine, Rule 5.7</a>				
<b>Agency</b>		STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE (MS)				
<b>Description</b>		Rule 5.7 is being modified to clarify the rules regarding the use of telemedicine in the consultation process with mid-level providers in a hospital setting.				
<b>Regulation Summary</b>		Amends language related to consultation between physicians and APRNs using emergency telemedicine.				

#	State	Ref #	Status	Type	Intro Date	Document Count
4	MS		Proposed Rule	Regular	Apr 01, 2019	3
<b>Issues</b>		Medicaid Reimbursement				
<b>Labels</b>						
<b>Title</b>		<a href="#">Title 23: Division of Medicaid, Part 212: Rural Health Clinics, Chapter 1: General, Rule 1.1: Provider Enrollment Requirements, Rule 1.2: Service Limits, Rule 1.3: Covered and Non-Covered Services, Rule 1.4: Reimbursement Methodology, Rule 1.5: Documentation Requirements, Rule 1.6: Co-Mingling, Rule 1.7: Pregnancy Related Eligibles and Rule 1.8: Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis, and Treatment (EPSDT).</a>				
<b>Agency</b>		DIVISION OF MEDICAID (MS)				
<b>Description</b>		This administrative code filing is being submitted to allow the Division of Medicaid to reimburse an RHC the encounter rate for the administration of certain categories of physician administered drugs (PADS) referred to as Clinician Administered Drug and Implantable Drug System Devices (CADDs), reimbursed under the pharmacy benefit, effective to correspond with SPA 18-0013 eff. 07/01/18 and to allow Licensed Professional Counselors (LPCs) and Board Certified Behavior Analysts (BCBAs) to provide mental health services in an RHC .				
<b>Regulation Summary</b>		Clarifies the originating site facility fee for a Rural Health Clinic (RHC).				

#	State	Ref #	Status	Type	Intro Date	Document Count
5	MS		Final Rule	Regular	Mar 28, 2019	4
<b>Issues</b>		Regulatory, Licensing & Advisory Boards				
<b>Labels</b>						
<b>Title</b>		<a href="#">Mississippi Workers' Compensation Medical Fee Schedule</a>				
<b>Agency</b>		WORKERS COMPENSATION COMMISSION (MS)				
<b>Description</b>		Certain provisions of the MS Workers' Compensation Medical Fee Schedule are being amended in order to maintain the efficiency of the Schedule as a cost containment tool. The Schedule was last updated in 2016, and since that time, changes in the way medical services are delivered and reimbursed make it necessary to update some of the rules contained in the Schedule. In addition, adjustments to the maximum fees allowed by the Schedule are necessary.				
<b>Regulation Summary</b>		Establishes a definition for 'synchronous telehealth service rendered via a real-time interactive audio and video telecommunications system.'				

#	State	Ref #	Status	Type	Intro Date	Document Count
6	TN	11-13-18	Proposed Rule	Regular	Nov 21, 2018	1
<b>Issues</b>		Private Payer Reimbursement				
<b>Labels</b>						
<b>Title</b>		<a href="#">Rules for Medical Payments   Sequence Number: 11-13-18</a>				
<b>Agency</b>		Labor and Workforce Development (TN)				
<b>Description</b>						
<b>Regulation Summary</b>		Stipulates that payments for telehealth through Workers' Compensation shall be the same as applicable through Medicare with the exception of any geographic restriction.				

#	State	Ref #	Status	Type	Intro Date	Document Count
7	TN	11-02-18	Proposed Rule	Regular	Nov 05, 2018	3
<b>Issues</b>		Regulatory, Licensing & Advisory Boards				
<b>Labels</b>						
<b>Title</b>		<a href="#">Rules Governing the Practice of Dentistry   Sequence Number: 11-02-18</a>				
<b>Agency</b>		Dentistry, Board of (TN)				
<b>Description</b>						
<b>Regulation Summary</b>		This rule establishes treatment standards for teledentistry.				

#	State	Ref #	Status	Type	Intro Date	Document Count
8	AR	060.00.18-005	Proposed Rule	Regular	Oct 31, 2018	1
<b>Issues</b> Provider-Patient Relationship						
<b>Labels</b>						
<b>Title</b> <a href="#">Amendment to Reg. 2.8-Patient/Provider Relationships</a>						
<b>Agency</b> State Medical Board (AR)						
<b>Description</b>						
<b>Regulation Summary</b> Makes amendments to Arkansas' rules concerning establishing the patient/provider relationship.						

#	State	Ref #	Status	Type	Intro Date	Document Count
9	AR	060.00.18-006	Proposed Rule	Regular	Oct 31, 2018	1
<b>Issues</b> Provider-Patient Relationship, Regulatory, Licensing & Advisory Boards						
<b>Labels</b>						
<b>Title</b> <a href="#">Amendment to Reg. 38-Telemedicine</a>						
<b>Agency</b> State Medical Board (AR)						
<b>Description</b>						
<b>Regulation Summary</b> Amends rules related to requirements around establishing a patient provider relationship to replace the words "physician/physician assistant" with "provider" and define "Provider" as a person licensed by the Arkansas State Medical Board.						

#	State	Ref #	Status	Type	Intro Date	Document Count
10	AR	067.00.18-002	Final Rule	Regular	Oct 17, 2018	2
<b>Issues</b> Cross-State Licensing						
<b>Labels</b>						
<b>Title</b> <a href="#">Rules, Chapter 2</a>						
<b>Agency</b> Board of Nursing (AR)						
<b>Description</b>						
<b>Regulation Summary</b> Adopts regulations to comply with the Interstate Nurse Licensure Compact.						

#	State	Ref #	Status	Type	Intro Date	Document Count
11	AR	067.00.18-004	Final Rule	Regular	Oct 17, 2018	2
<b>Issues</b> Provider-Patient Relationship, Regulatory, Licensing & Advisory Boards						
<b>Labels</b>						
<b>Title</b> <a href="#">Rules, Chapter 4</a>						
<b>Agency</b> Board of Nursing (AR)						
<b>Description</b>						
<b>Regulation Summary</b> Establishes requirements for APRNs utilizing telehealth, including the establishment of a patient relationship.						

#	State	Ref #	Status	Type	Intro Date	Document Count
12	MS		Final Rule	Regular	Sep 28, 2018	2
<b>Issues</b> Online Prescribing, Regulatory, Licensing & Advisory Boards						
<b>Labels</b>						
<b>Title</b> <a href="#">Part 2640 Prescribing, Administering and Dispensing 1.11</a>						
<b>Agency</b> STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE (MS)						
<b>Description</b> Rule 1.11 is being modified to clarify the rules regarding all medications prescription guidelines.						
<b>Regulation Summary</b> This rule clarifies circumstances under which medications can be prescribed. It states that prescriptions cannot be prescribed outside of a valid licensee-patient relationship. It outlines the criteria to establish the licensee-patient relationship. It does allow an appropriate exam to be conducted through appropriate telemedicine.						

#	State	Ref #	Status	Type	Intro Date	Document Count
13	MS		Final Rule	Regular	Aug 24, 2018	4
<b>Issues</b> Online Prescribing, Cross-State Licensing						
<b>Labels</b>						
<b>Title</b> <a href="#">30 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 2840: Advanced Practice</a>						
<b>Agency</b> MISSISSIPPI BOARD OF NURSING (MS)						
<b>Description</b> The Mississippi Board of Nursing is proposing amendments to Part 2840 directly related to how Advanced Practice Registered Nurses (APRNs) prescribe controlled substances and utilize the Mississippi Prescription Monitoring Program. The amendments seek to address the ongoing Opioid and controlled substance epidemic in Mississippi. Further, the Board seeks to enhance clarity and format in multiple portions of Part 2840, including but not limited to APRN Monitored Practice Hours.						
<b>Regulation Summary</b> Makes amendments to the Advanced Practice Registered Nurses Compact to address the opioid epidemic in the state.						

#	State	Ref #	Status	Type	Intro Date	Document Count
14	AR	016.06.18-012	Final Rule	Regular	Aug 13, 2018	2
<b>Issues</b> Other, Medicaid Reimbursement						
<b>Labels</b>						
<b>Title</b> <a href="#">Provider-Led Arkansas Shared Savings Entity (PASSE) 1-18 Part 1</a>						
<b>Agency</b> Department of Human Services (AR)						
<b>Description</b>						
<b>Regulation Summary</b> Establishes the Provider-Led Arkansas Shared Savings Entity (PASSE). It allows entities to utilize telehealth, including live video, store and forward and remote patient monitoring to deliver care.						