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.

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### Bills by Status

- **3 -Introduced**

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### All Bills (by Topic)

**Private Payer Reimbursement (2)**

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**Title**

Insurance, Health, Accident - As introduced, makes various changes to the law concerning the electronic delivery of health care and its coverage under insurance policies. - Amends TCA Title 56 and Section 63-1-155.

**Bill Summary:** Alters reimbursement requirements for telehealth delivered services, including requiring reimbursement of a facility fee. It also requires coverage of remote patient monitoring if covered by Medicare.

**Primary Sponsors**

Robin Smith
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**Primary Sponsors**
Art Swann

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### Regulatory, Licensing & Advisory Boards (1)

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**Title**
Center for Rural Health Innovation; establish to provide services and resources to rural hospitals.

**Description**
An Act To Establish The Mississippi Center For Rural Health Innovation Within The Office Of Rural Health Of The State Department Of Health; To Provide That The Purpose Of The Center Is To Provide Services And Resources To Rural Hospitals, Critical Access Hospitals, Rural Health Clinics And Rural Federally Qualified Health Centers, Including Expert Analysis, Guidance, Training Opportunities And Telehealth Investment; To Specify The Minimum Areas Of Service To Be Provided By The Center; To Provide That The Department Shall Provide Personnel And Resources As Necessary To Provide For The Operation Of The Center, And Shall Be Authorized To Enter Into Contracts As Necessary To Carry Out The Purpose Of The Center; And For Related Purposes.

**Primary Sponsors**
Sam Mims

**Bill Summary:** Creates the Mississippi Center for Rural Health Innovation within the Office of Rural Health of the State Department of Health. The purpose of the center is to provide services and resources to rural hospitals, critical access hospitals, rural health clinics and rural federally qualified health centers, including expert analysis, guidance, training opportunities and telehealth investment.
## SCTRC Regulatory Update - Jan. 2020

**Feb 01, 2020**

Total State Regs Exported : 6

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**Issues**
Cross-State Licensing

**Labels**

**Title**
Nursing, Board of (Sequence Number: 09-21-19)

**Agency**
Nursing, Board of (TN)

**Description**
Adopts the Enhanced Nurse’s Licensure Compact.

### Online Prescribing

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**Issues**
Online Prescribing

**Labels**

**Title**
Part 2635 Chapter 5: Practice of Telemedicine, Rule 5.9

**Agency**
STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE (MS)

**Description**
New rule to establish practice requirements for physicians who wish to dispense medications via technology/automated systems via telemedicine.

**Regulation Summary**
Establishes practice requirements for physicians who wish to dispense medications via technology/automated systems via telemedicine.

### Regulatory, Licensing & Advisory Boards

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**Issues**
Regulatory, Licensing & Advisory Boards

**Labels**

**Title**
Part 2635 Chapter 5: Practice of Telemedicine, Rule 5.1

**Agency**
STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE (MS)

**Description**
Rule 5.1 is being modified to clarify the rules regarding the use of telemedicine.

**Regulation Summary**
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".
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**Issues**
Regulatory, Licensing & Advisory Boards

**Labels**

**Title**
Part 2635 Chapter 5: Practice of Telemedicine, Rule 5.7

**Agency**
STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE (MS)

**Description**
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.

**Regulation Summary**
Amends language related to consultation between physicians and APRNs using emergency telemedicine.

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**Issues**
Medicaid Reimbursement

**Labels**

**Title**
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).

**Agency**
DIVISION OF MEDICAID (MS)

**Description**
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.

**Regulation Summary**
Clarifies the originating site facility fee for a Rural Health Clinic (RHC).