

Rhode Island

Medicaid Program: Rhode Island Medical Assistance Program

Medicaid Program Administrator: Rhode Island Dept. of Human Services

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STATE LAW/REGULATIONS	MEDICAID PROGRAM
Definition of telemedicine/telehealth	
<p>"Telemedicine" means the delivery of clinical health care services by means of real time two-way electronic audiovisual communications, including the application of secure video conferencing or store-and-forward technology to provide or support health care delivery, which facilitate the assessment, diagnosis, treatment, and care management of a patient's health care while such patient is at an originating site and the health care provider is at a distant site, consistent with applicable federal laws and regulations. Telemedicine does not include an audio-only telephone conversation, email message or facsimile transmission between the provider and patient, or an automated computer program used to diagnose and/or treat ocular or refractive conditions.</p> <p><i>Source: RI General Law, Sec. 27-81-3(12).</i></p>	No reference found.
Live Video Reimbursement	
No reference found.	No reference found.
Store and Forward Reimbursement	
No reference found.	No reference found.
Remote Patient Monitoring Reimbursement	
No reference found.	No reference found.
Email/Phone/FAX	
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Online Prescribing	
No reference found.	No reference found.
Consent	

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No reference found.	No reference found.
Location	
No reference found.	No reference found.
Cross-State Licensure	
<p>RI allows physicians who have a license in good standing in another state to consult with RI licensed physicians or provide teaching assistance.</p> <p>Physicians not present in RI may not provide consultation to a patient without an established physician-patient relationship, unless that patient is in the physical presence of a physician licensed in RI.</p> <p><i>Source: RI General Law, Sec. 5-37-14.</i></p>	No reference found.
Private Payers	
<p><u>Recently Passed Legislation (Effective Jan. 1, 2018)</u> A health insurer shall not exclude a health care service for coverage solely because the health care service is provided through telemedicine and is not provided through in-person consultation or contact, subject to the terms and conditions of a telemedicine agreement between the insurer and provider.</p> <p><i>Source: RI General Law, Sec. 27-81-4.</i></p>	No reference found.
Site/Transmission Fee	
No reference found.	No reference found.
Miscellaneous	