

Massachusetts

Medicaid Program: MassHealth

Program Administrator: MA Dept. of Health and Human Services

Regional Telehealth Resource Center: Northeast Regional Telehealth Resource Center

Covers the States of: Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Rhode Island & Vermont

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Medicaid Telehealth Reimbursement	Summary	<p>Massachusetts Medicaid (MassHealth) makes no reference to reimbursement of telehealth or telemedicine within their policies. There is, however a 2014 budget bill that allocated funds for the reimbursement of remote patient monitoring telehealth. CCHP has found no further details regarding this.</p> <p>It should be noted that Massachusetts is a managed care state, and that some individual Medicaid managed care plans may reimburse for telehealth delivered services.</p>	
	Definitions	No reference found.	
	Live Video	Policy	No reference found.
		Eligible Services / Specialties	No reference found.

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		Live Video
Store-and-Forward	Eligible Providers	No reference found.
	Eligible Sites	No reference found.
	Geographic Limits	No reference found.
	Facility/Transmission Fee	No reference found.
Store-and-Forward	Policy	No reference found.
	Eligible Services/Specialties	No reference found.

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Store-and-Forward	Geographic Limits	No reference found.
	Transmission Fee	No reference found.
Remote Patient Monitoring	Policy	<p>In the FY 2014 State Budget, MA appropriates funds for the reimbursement of telehealth remote patient monitoring provided by home health agencies as a service to clients reimbursable through Medicaid, as long as it is for short term reimbursement.</p> <p>Source: MA EOHHS and MassHealth. 4000-300 (2014).</p>
	Conditions	No reference found.
	Provider Limitations	No reference found.
	Other Restrictions	No reference found.

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Email/ Phone / Fax

No reference found.

Consent

No reference found.

Out of State Providers

No reference found.

Miscellaneous

No reference found.

Private Payer Laws

Definitions

“Telemedicine as it pertains to the delivery of health care services, shall mean the use of interactive audio, video or other electronic media for the purpose of diagnosis, consultation or treatment. ‘Telemedicine’ shall not include the use of audio-only telephone, facsimile machine or e-mail.”

Source: *Annotated Laws of MA. Part I, Title XXII, Ch. 175, Sec. 47BB.*

Requirements

Private payers may provide coverage of telemedicine services, subject to contract terms and conditions, and must be consistent with coverage for health care services provided through in-person consultations.

Source: *Annotated Laws of MA. Part I, Title XXII, Ch. 175, Sec. 47BB.*

Private Payer Laws	Parity	Service Parity	<p>Private payers may provide coverage of telemedicine services.</p> <p>Source: <i>Annotated Laws of MA. Part I, Title XXII, Ch. 175, Sec. 47BB.</i></p>
		Payment Parity	<p>Coverage shall be consistent with coverage for health care services provided through in-person consultation.</p> <p>Source: <i>Annotated Laws of MA. Part I, Title XXII, Ch. 175, Sec. 47BB.</i></p>
Professional Regulation/Health & Safety	Definitions		No reference found.
	Consent		No reference found.
	Online Prescribing		<p>Prior to any e-prescribing, there must be a physician-patient relationship that conforms to certain minimum norms and standards of care, which includes taking a medical history and conducting an appropriate exam.</p> <p>Source: "Internet Prescribing," <i>MA Board of Registration in Medicine. Dec. 17, 2003 & Prescribing Practices Policy and Guidelines. Policy 15-05, pg. iii (Sec. 4), Adopted Oct. 8, 2015. (Accessed Sept. 2018).</i></p>
	Cross-State Licensing		No reference found.

No reference found.

