

WiHPCA Advocacy Action Alert

Take Action Today: Urge Your Congressperson to Support the *Telehealth Modernization Act!*

The COVID-19 pandemic has had an unprecedented impact on the nation's healthcare system, requiring providers to embrace innovation and rely heavily on technology and telehealth to deliver quality care to patients.

Moreover, the pandemic highlighted the need to update telehealth coverage rules, leading Congress to provide emergency (and temporary) telehealth waivers designed to ensure safe access to care for seniors and other vulnerable populations. The recently introduced ***Telehealth Modernization Act*** would ensure the emergency expansions of telehealth coverage for Medicare beneficiaries are made permanent.

One critical provision of this bill would extend existing flexibilities that allow Medicare to cover more telehealth services used for hospice care.

Fortunately, you can play an important role in helping to move the bipartisan ***Telehealth Modernization Act*** through the legislative process by urging your Members of Congress to support this important legislation and ensure telehealth flexibilities are made permanent beyond the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency.

It only takes a few minutes to contact your federal lawmakers through the National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization's [***Hospice Action Network***](#). The network is completely automated. You simply need to enter your name, address, and limited contact information and the Network takes care of the rest. [CLICK HERE](#) to be an advocate for hospice care and help advance the ***Telehealth Modernization Act***.