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Alabama			<b>Proposed</b>	HB 29 and SB 18 - Authorizes Bd. Of Hearing Instruments Dealers to develop rulemaking on telepractice
Alaska			<b>Proposed</b>	SB 98 - Removes in-state practice standards; HB 227 - Enhances telehealth coverage under Medicaid reform; HB 234 - Partial parity for mental health benefits
Arizona	✓		<b>Proposed</b>	SB 1363 - Removes geographic restrictions from parity law
Arkansas	✓	✓		
California	✓	✓	<b>Proposed</b>	AB 2507 - Expand telehealth to include video, telephone, e-mail, and synchronous text/chat, and permit oral, written or digital patient informed consent, amends telehealth parity law; SB 960 - Medi-Cal coverage of reproductive health via store-and-forward, and telephonic and electronic management services; <b>(STATUS: CARRYOVER TO 2016 Session)</b> AB 250 - Expands the definition of telehealth health care provider to also include a marriage and a family therapist intern and trainee ; SB 289 - Requires insurers to cover telephonic and electronic patient management services; AB 1485 - Medi-Cal: teleradiology; SB 800 - Marriage and Family Therapy scope of practice
Colorado	✓	✓		
Connecticut	✓	<b>Proposed</b>	<b>Proposed</b>	SB 298 - Medicaid coverage parity; SB 291 - Telehealth and patient records; SB 70 - Practice standards for speech and language pathologists, and respiratory care practitioners; SB 133 - Practice standards for licensed counselors; SB 433 - Network adequacy
Delaware	✓			
DC	✓	✓		
Florida			✓	HB 7087 - Authorizes health care providers to use telehealth, out-of-state telehealth licensure registration, and research on telehealth coverage/reimbursement <b>(STATUS: ENACTED)</b> ; HB 1353 and SB 1686 - Creates a telehealth taskforce and authorizes health care providers to use telehealth
Georgia	✓		<b>Proposed</b>	HB 775 - Recognizes telemedicine for eye exams to prescribe contact lenses or spectacles



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Hawaii	✓		<b>Proposed</b>	HB 1944 and SB 2395 - Telehealth parity for Medicaid, revises private insurance parity law, ensures malpractice coverage for telehealth, revises practice standards; HCR 214 and HCR 149 - Create mental health access working group; HB 2169 - Permits LCSW supervision via audio-video; SB 2469 and HB 2577 - Revises parity law to include informed consent and remove patient setting limitations; HR 2669 - Permits LCSW supervision via videoconferencing
Idaho				H 583 - Partial telehealth coverage
Illinois	<b>Proposed</b>		<b>Proposed</b>	HJR 55 - Creates state telehealth committee; <b>(STATUS: CARRYOVER TO 2016 Session)</b> SB 452 - Private insurance parity; HB 76 - Partial coverage for telemental/behavioral health; HJR 55 - Creates the Telehealth Services Committee to study the cost savings through expansion of telehealth services
Indiana	✓	✓	<b>Proposed</b>	HB 1263 - Permits internet prescribing by MD, PA, APRN without in-person encounter
Iowa	<b>Proposed</b>	✓	<b>Proposed</b>	HSB 502 - Telehealth parity for state employee health plans; <b>(STATUS: CARRYOVER TO 2016 Session)</b> SF 505 - Medicaid telehealth parity <b>(STATUS: ENACTED)</b> ; SB 1021, SF 453 - Telepharmacy; HF 600 -- formerly HF 218 and 404 - Parity for private insurance, Medicaid and state employee plans; HF 317 - Parity for mental health services via telemedicine under private insurance, Medicaid and state employee plans; SB 1253 - Telehealth parity under Medicaid managed care; HF 404 - telehealth reimbursement
Kansas		<b>Proposed</b>	<b>Proposed</b>	SB 496 - Permit exempt license to out-of-state telemedicine providers; <b>(STATUS: CARRYOVER TO 2016 Session)</b> HB 2270 - Amends Medicaid policies for telehealth; HB - 2321 Expands the definition of charitable health care providers to include certain use of telemedicine
Kentucky	✓	✓	<b>Proposed</b>	HB 95 - Waiver for Medicaid coverage of home RPM and direct-to-consumer services; SB 44 - Prohibit remote prescribing of medical marijuana without in-person exam
Louisiana	✓		<b>Proposed</b>	SB 328 and HB 570 - Removes in-state location requirements, allows for audio-only; HB 595 - authorizes telehealth by licensed dietitians and nutritionists; HB 480 - Permit prescribing of controlled substances via telemedicine by physicians w/LA unrestricted license
Maine	✓			



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Maryland	✓	✓	<b>Proposed</b>	SB 929 and HB 1318 - Network adequacy; SB 899 and HB 1217 - Includes telehealth in mental health parity; HB 886 and SB 242 - Amends Medicaid telehealth coverage by including primary care providers and removing provider agreement requirements
Massachusetts	<b>Proposed</b>	<b>Proposed</b>	<b>Proposed</b>	<b>(STATUS: CARRYOVER TO 2016 Session)</b> SB 617, SB 529, and SB 1163 -Telemedicine parity; HB 267 telemedicine licensure, practice standards, and parity; HB 1810 - behavioral health telemedicine coverage; HB 1944 - telehealth parity for private insurance and Medicaid
Michigan	✓		<b>Proposed</b>	SB 753 - Codify telehealth definitions, informed consent, and other practice standards; <b>(STATUS: CARRYOVER TO 2016 Session)</b> SB 495 - Amends parity law
Minnesota	✓	✓	<b>Proposed</b>	SF 2751 - Medicaid coverage of autism service benefit via telemedicine; <b>(STATUS: CARRYOVER TO 2016 Session)</b> HF 850 - Allows for Medicaid payment for intensive rehabilitative mental health services via telemedicine; HF 1246, SF 1150, SF 981, HF 1638 - Telehealth parity under private insurance <b>(STATUS: SIGNED INTO LAW: 5/22/15)</b> ; HF 1611 - Authorizes reimbursement for telemedicine under mental health demo; SF 1700 - restricts using telemedicine to provide prescriptions for eyeglasses or contact lenses
Mississippi	✓	✓	<b>Proposed</b>	HB 1177 - Codify physician practice standards via telemedicine; HB 1178 - Codify physician practice standards via telemedicine; HB 1187 - codify physician practice standards via telemedicine; SB 2742 and HB 1192 - Prohibit insurers from denying telemedicine claims; SB 2517 - Codify physician practice standards via telemedicine, authorize medical board to develop rules, and prohibit insurers from denying telemedicine claims; SB 2071 - Physician practice standards; SB 2171 - State employee health plan pilot for urgent care via telemedicine kiosk



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Missouri	✓	Proposed	Proposed	HB 2531 - Expands Medicaid originating sites to nursing home, dialysis center, residential treatment facility, substance abuse/rehab program, and school; HB 2350 - Authorizes health care providers to use telehealth and includes licensure exemption for some out-of-state health care providers; SB 621 - Enhances Medicaid coverage of telehealth to include S&F, home RPM for chronic disease management, additional distant site providers and originating sites, and establishes a committee to advise on asynchronous coverage; HB 1923 - Redefines telehealth and telemedicine; Enhances Medicaid coverage of store-and-forward for orthopedics, dermatology, ophthalmology in cases of diabetic retinopathy, burn and wound care, and maternal-fetal medicine ultrasounds, home RPM for chronic disease management, additional distant site providers and originating sites, and establishes a committee to advise on asynchronous coverage
Montana	✓			
Nebraska		✓	Proposed	LB 722 - Establishes taskforce to determine eligible stroke care services via telemedicine; LB 518 - Establishes new health savings program under Medicaid and includes telephone triage program; LB 37 - Telepharmacy ( <b>STATUS: ENACTED</b> ); LB 257 - Telemedicine descriptions for health plans ( <b>STATUS: SIGNED INTO LAW: 5/26/15</b> ); ( <b>STATUS: CARRYOVER TO 2016 Session</b> )
Nevada	✓	✓		
New Hampshire	✓		Proposed	<b>(NEW BILLS)</b> HB 1210 - Amends standards for prescribing controlled substances; HB 1495 - Requires managed care plans to offer financial incentives to beneficiaries who use less expensive services like telemedicine; HB 1209 - Patient-practitioner relationship and APRN practice standards; ( <b>STATUS: CARRYOVER TO 2016 Session</b> ) SB 84 - Patient-practitioner relationship and APRN practice standards ( <b>STATUS: ENACTED</b> ); HB 232 - Establish community mental health programs and include telemedicine in a study on the suicide risk assessment, treatment and management; SB 112 - Expands parity law to include Medicaid managed care ( <b>STATUS: ENACTED</b> )



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New Jersey	Proposed	Proposed	Proposed	A 3423 - Insurance coverage for telemedicine stroke care; <b>(STATUS: CARRYOVER TO 2016 Session)</b> S 1048 - Collaborative agreements w/FQHCs to provide telemental health services; A 2668 - parity for managed care plans and state employee health plans; S 291 and A 1464 - authorizes telemedicine under scope of practice, creates reciprocal license for out-of-state providers, requires parity for Medicaid, MCOs, and state employee health plans; A 1457 - parity for Medicaid FFS and managed care; S 1204 and AB 2161 - Medicaid coverage and reimbursement of telemental health in FQHCs
New Mexico	✓		Proposed	SB 78 and HB 48 - Creates conditional telemedicine license for out-of-state D.Os
New York	✓	✓	Proposed	<b>(NEW BILLS)</b> SB 6715 - Create a network of providers/services to support maternal depression including telehealth; SB 6367 and AB 9392 - Telehealth coverage under workers compensation and motor vehicle insurance; AB 8200 and SB 5852 - Coverage parity for telehealth-provided home care services; AB 7410 and SB 5771 - Parity coverage for acute stroke treatment via telemedicine; <b>(STATUS: CARRYOVER TO 2016 Session)</b> AB 7488 and SB 5733 - Adds PT and OT as telehealth providers under parity law <b>(ENACTED)</b> ; AB 7903 - Adds schools, daycare, assisted living, adult homes, and other senior residences as originating sites under parity law; AB 7369 and SB 4182 - Adds dentist office to list of originating sites under parity law <b>(STATUS: SIGNED INTO LAW 8/13/15)</b> ; AB 2527 - Supports 1115 Waiver application to establish Senior Care Choices Program; AB 2552 and SB 2405 - Telehealth Chapter Amendment <b>(STATUS: SIGNED INTO LAW 3/13/15)</b> ; SB 1110 - Establishes a hospital-home care-physician collaboration program; AB 815 - Home telehealth payment reform; SB 621 - Telemedicine research and development fund; S07852--formerly A09129 and S04337b - Requires telemedicine coverage under private insurance and Medicaid <b>(STATUS: SIGNED INTO LAW 12/29/14; LAW EFFECTIVE 1/1/16)</b> ; SB 4959 - Adds outpatient mental health to parity law
North Carolina	Proposed		Proposed	HB 796 - Authorizes telepractice for registered dietician nutritionist; <b>(STATUS: CARRYOVER TO 2016 Session)</b> HB 723 - Telemedicine parity
North Dakota				
Ohio	Proposed	Proposed		<b>(STATUS: CARRYOVER TO 2016 Session)</b> SB 32 - Private insurance and Medicaid parity



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Oklahoma	✓		Proposed	HB 2547 - Removes informed consent requirements from parity law; <b>(STATUS: CARRYOVER TO 2016 Session)</b> SB 305 - Adds state employee and other health benefit plans to parity law; HB 1715 and SB 753 <b>(STATUS: APPROVED BY GOVERNOR 4/21/15)</b> - Allows supervision of PAs via telemedicine; SB 758 - Cap Medicaid reimbursement rate for telemedicine
Oregon	✓			
Pennsylvania	Proposed			<b>(STATUS: CARRYOVER TO 2016 Session)</b> HB 706 - Private insurance coverage of telehealth
Rhode Island	Proposed	Proposed		H 7160 and S 2577 - Private insurance parity; H 7161 and H 2756 - Partial parity for private insurance based on geography; <b>(STATUS: CARRYOVER TO 2016 Session)</b> H 5597, S 382 - Network adequacy
South Carolina			Proposed	S 1035 - Physician practice standards
South Dakota				
Tennessee	✓	✓	Proposed	SB 1214 and HB 976 - permits teledentistry while hygienists and assistants are at FQHCs; SB 2373 and HB 2331 - Amends telemedicine parity law; SB 2510 - Authorizes telehealth in dental practice; HB 1908 and SB 2510 - Teledentistry
Texas	✓			
Utah			Proposed	HB 340 - Allows reimbursement parity for mental health under Medicaid managed care/FFS and state employee health plans, codify telehealth definitions and other practice standards, limits on internet prescribing and abortions
Vermont	✓	✓	Proposed	<b>(NEW BILLS)</b> H 543 - Permits parity telehealth coverage outside of healthcare facility, prevents frequency limits for telemedicine, and limits types of eligible providers; <b>(STATUS: CARRYOVER TO 2016 Session)</b> S 243 - Establishes telemedicine pilot program for substance abuse treatment; S 139 - Removes facility restrictions from Medicaid primary care services via telemedicine <b>(STATUS: SIGNED INTO LAW 6/17/15)</b>
Virginia	✓		Proposed	SB 19 - Telemedicine pilot to reduce ER visits
Washington	✓	Proposed	Proposed	HB 2927 - Amends parity law to include integrated care; HB 2865 - Authorizes hospital credentialing and privileging for APRNs; SB 5175 AND HB 1403 <b>(STATUS: SIGNED INTO LAW 4/17/15)</b> - Telemedicine coverage and reimbursement under private insurance and Medicaid; SB 5986 - Creates a telemedicine board; SB 5947 - Establish telebehavioral health home for Medicaid covered minors <b>(STATUS: CARRYOVER TO 2016 Session)</b>



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West Virginia			<b>Proposed</b>	SB 47 - Codify physician practice standards for telemedicine; SB 320 - Codifies physician practice standards for telemedicine; HB 4463 - Codifies physician practice standards for telemedicine
Wisconsin				
Wyoming			<b>Proposed</b>	SF 42 - Codify OT practice stands for telehealth

\* Does Not Include State Administrative or Regulatory Orders

✓ = Previously Enacted