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Act No. 64 (S.50). Health; health insurance; Medicaid; telemedicine

An act relating to insurance coverage for telemedicine services delivered in or outside a health care facility

This act requires commercial health insurance plans and Medicaid to cover health care services delivered through telemedicine, regardless of whether the patient is in a health care facility, at home, at work, or anywhere else. It maintains a requirement that the telemedicine connection be secure and that it comply with federal health privacy laws. The act requires a health care provider delivering health care services through telemedicine to obtain and document a patient's oral or written informed consent before delivering services to the patient and prohibits health care providers and patients from recording their telemedicine consultations.

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