

Subject Telemedicine and Community Health Workers

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Overview

This bill allows community health workers to provide telemedicine services under private health coverage and MA. A community health worker must have a certificate from the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities System approved community health worker curriculum and at least five years of supervised experience with a specified health professional. The bill also provides an exemption from the MA limit on telemedicine services for certain services provided to treat and control tuberculosis.

Summary

Section	Description
1	<p>Licensed health care provider.</p> <p>Amends § 62A.671, subd. 6. Adds community health workers to the list of providers that can provide telemedicine services under private sector health plans and under MA.</p>
2	<p>Telemedicine services.</p> <p>Amends § 256B.0625, subd. 3b. Provides an exception from the limit on MA coverage of telemedicine (three services per enrollee per calendar week) if the:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(1) telemedicine services provided by the licensed health provider are for the treatment and control of tuberculosis; and(2) services are provided in a manner consistent with the recommendations and best practices specified by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Commissioner of Health.