

# SB3541



## 101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

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SB3541

Introduced 2/14/2020, by Sen. Andy Manar

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

305 ILCS 5/5-5.25

Amends the Medical Assistance Article of the Illinois Public Aid Code. Requires the Department of Healthcare and Family Services to, at a minimum, reimburse crisis intervention services, crisis stabilization services, and mobile crisis response services delivered via telehealth at the approved on-site and off-site Place of Service Codes listed in the Department's Community-Based Behavioral Services Provider Handbook published on October 19, 2018. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT  
MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning public aid.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Illinois Public Aid Code is amended by  
5 changing Section 5-5.25 as follows:

6 (305 ILCS 5/5-5.25)

7 Sec. 5-5.25. Access to behavioral health and medical  
8 services.

9 (a) The General Assembly finds that providing access to  
10 behavioral health and medical services in a timely manner will  
11 improve the quality of life for persons suffering from illness  
12 and will contain health care costs by avoiding the need for  
13 more costly inpatient hospitalization.

14 (b) The Department of Healthcare and Family Services shall  
15 reimburse psychiatrists, federally qualified health centers as  
16 defined in Section 1905(1)(2)(B) of the federal Social Security  
17 Act, clinical psychologists, clinical social workers, advanced  
18 practice registered nurses certified in psychiatric and mental  
19 health nursing, and mental health professionals and clinicians  
20 authorized by Illinois law to provide behavioral health  
21 services to recipients via telehealth. The Department, by rule,  
22 shall establish: (i) criteria for such services to be  
23 reimbursed, including appropriate facilities and equipment to

1 be used at both sites and requirements for a physician or other  
2 licensed health care professional to be present at the site  
3 where the patient is located; however, the Department shall not  
4 require that a physician or other licensed health care  
5 professional be physically present in the same room as the  
6 patient for the entire time during which the patient is  
7 receiving telehealth services; and (ii) a method to reimburse  
8 providers for mental health services provided by telehealth. At  
9 a minimum, the Department shall reimburse Crisis Intervention  
10 Services (HCPC: H2011), Crisis Stabilization Services (HCPC:  
11 T1019), and Mobile Crisis Response Services (HCPC: S9484)  
12 delivered via telehealth at the approved on-site and off-site  
13 Place of Service Codes listed in Table 4, on page 21 of the  
14 Department's Community-Based Behavioral Services Provider  
15 Handbook published on October 19, 2018.

16 (c) The Department shall reimburse any Medicaid certified  
17 eligible facility or provider organization that acts as the  
18 location of the patient at the time a telehealth service is  
19 rendered, including substance abuse centers licensed by the  
20 Department of Human Services' Division of Alcoholism and  
21 Substance Abuse.

22 (d) On and after July 1, 2012, the Department shall reduce  
23 any rate of reimbursement for services or other payments or  
24 alter any methodologies authorized by this Code to reduce any  
25 rate of reimbursement for services or other payments in  
26 accordance with Section 5-5e.

1 (Source: P.A. 100-385, eff. 1-1-18; 100-790, eff. 8-10-18;  
2 100-1019, eff. 1-1-19; 101-81, eff. 7-12-19.)

3 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
4 becoming law.