

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 SENATE BILL 716

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to telemedicine; amending 36 O.S.
8 2011, Section 6803, which relates to coverage;
9 requiring certain reimbursement for telemedicine; and
10 providing an effective date.

11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

12 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 36 O.S. 2011, Section 6803, is
13 amended to read as follows:

14 Section 6803. A. For services that a health care practitioner
15 determines to be appropriately provided by means of telemedicine,
16 health care service plans, disability insurer programs, workers'
17 compensation programs, or state Medicaid managed care program
18 contracts issued, amended, or renewed on or after January 1, 1998,
19 shall not require person-to-person contact between a health care
20 practitioner and a patient.

21 B. Reimbursement of healthcare services by means of
22 telemedicine shall be the same reimbursement as if the care had been
23 performed with person-to-person contact between a health
24 practitioner and a patient.

1 C. Subsection A of this section shall apply to health care
2 service plan contracts with the state Medicaid managed care program
3 only to the extent that both of the following apply:

4 1. Telemedicine services are covered by, and reimbursed under,
5 the fee-for-service provisions of the state Medicaid managed care
6 program; and

7 2. State Medicaid managed care program contracts with health
8 care service plans are amended to add coverage of telemedicine
9 services and make any appropriate capitation rate adjustments.

10 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2017.

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