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[2021HB-05045-R00-HB.PDF \(ct.gov\)](#)

AN ACT EXPANDING ACCESS TO MEDICAL SPECIALISTS FOR MEDICAID BENEFICIARIES IN SOUTHEASTERN CONNECTICUT. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened: 1 That section 17b-245e of the general statutes be amended to expand 2 telehealth services under the Medicaid program to ensure adequate 3 access to medical specialists in southeastern Connecticut. Statement of Purpose: To ensure adequate access to medical specialists in southeastern Connecticut.

[2021SB-00022-R00-SB.PDF \(ct.gov\)](#)

AN ACT CONCERNING PUBLIC OPTIONS FOR HEALTH CARE IN CONNECTICUT. Statement of Purpose: To: (1) Establish the ConnectHealth Program, the ConnectHealth Trust Account and the ConnectHealth Advisory Board; (2) require the Proposed Bill No. 22 LCO No. 110 2 of 2 Comptroller, in consultation with the ConnectHealth Advisory Board and the Office of Health Strategy, to establish the ConnectHealth Plan; (3) authorize the Comptroller to offer coverage to plan participants and beneficiaries in this state under a multiemployer plan, nonprofit employers and their employees, and small employers and their employees; and (4) require the Commissioner of Social Services to seek to amend the federal waiver for the state-wide dental plan that provides for the administration of the dental services portion of the department's medical assistance to expand coverage to include additional individuals in this state.

[2021SB-00033-R00-SB.PDF \(ct.gov\)](#)

AN ACT CONCERNING CONTRACTS BETWEEN HEALTH CARRIERS AND HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS. To prohibit a health carrier from: (1) Requiring a contracting health care provider to collect any cost-sharing payment due and owing from an insured for a covered benefit that the health care provider provided to the insured; and (2) reducing any payment to a contracting health care Proposed Bill No. 33 LCO No. 98 2 of 2 provider due to an insured's nonpayment or partial payment of the insured's cost-sharing liability for a covered benefit that the health care provider provided to the insured.

[2021HB-05118-R00-HB.PDF \(ct.gov\)](#)

AN ACT CONCERNING TELEHEALTH To: (1) Extend the sunset date for certain provisions of public act 20-2 of the July special session to May 30, 2022; (2) provide that a health insurer may pay a reduced reimbursement to a health care provider who Proposed Bill No. 5118 LCO No. 392 2 of 2 provides a covered benefit to an insured through telehealth, provided the amount of such reduced reimbursement shall be equal to at least fifty per cent of the reimbursement that the health insurer would have paid to the health care provider if the health care provider had provided the covered benefit to the insured in person; and (3) prohibit a health care provider from seeking reimbursement for an in-person covered benefit if the provider previously sought reimbursement for the same covered benefit provided to the same insured through telehealth.

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[2021HB-05688-R00-HB.PDF \(ct.gov\)](#)

AN ACT PROHIBITING CERTAIN HEALTH CARRIERS FROM REQUIRING STEP THERAPY FOR PRESCRIPTION DRUGS PRESCRIBED TO TREAT BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CONDITIONS.

Summary: An act prohibiting certain health carriers from requiring step therapy for prescription drugs prescribed to treat behavioral health conditions. Its purpose is to provide that health carriers delivering, issuing, renewing, amending or continuing certain individual and group health insurance policies and contracts in this state shall not require the use of step therapy for prescription drugs prescribed to treat behavioral health conditions.

[2021SB-00509-R00-SB.PDF \(ct.gov\)](#)

AN ACT CONCERNING TELEHEALTH.

Summary: An act concerning telehealth. Its purpose is to expand: (1) the list of providers who may provide, and permitted scope of, telehealth services; and (2) required health insurance coverage for telehealth services.

[2021SB-00337-R00-SB.PDF \(ct.gov\)](#)

AN ACT CONCERNING THE PRACTICE OF NATUROPATHY

Summary: An act concerning the practice of naturopathy. Its purpose is to permit a naturopathic physician to prescribe, dispense and administer certain prescription medications.

[2021HB-05340-R00-HB.PDF \(ct.gov\)](#)

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A SINGLE PAYER HEALTH CARE PROGRAM IN CONNECTICUT.

Summary: An act establishing a single payer health care program in connecticut. Its purpose is to: (1) establish (a) a self-insured single payer health care program for this state, and (b) various agencies and entities to oversee this state's single payer health care program; and (2) request a waiver from the federal government pursuant to the patient protection and affordable care act.

[2021HB-05396-R00-HB.PDF \(ct.gov\)](#)

AN ACT ALLOWING PHARMACISTS TO ADMINISTER THE INFLUENZA VACCINE TO CHILDREN TWELVE YEARS OF AGE AND OLDER.

Summary: An act allowing pharmacists to administer the influenza vaccine to children twelve years of age and older. Its purpose is to reduce the costs of and expand access to the administration of the influenza vaccine for minors.

[2021HB-05403-R00-HB.PDF \(ct.gov\)](#)

AN ACT CONCERNING ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSES.

Summary: An act concerning advanced practice registered nurses. Its purpose is to expand the selection process for new advanced practice registered nurses and eliminate the barrier for any

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advanced practice registered nurse who wishes to work in the state but is having difficulty finding physicians with whom to collaborate.

[2021HB-06006-R00-HB.PDF \(ct.gov\)](#)

AN ACT CODIFYING THE GOVERNOR'S EXECUTIVE ORDERS REGARDING TELEHEALTH.

Summary: An act codifying the governor's executive orders regarding telehealth. Its purpose is to make the telehealth changes put into place by the governor permanent.

[2021SB-00285-R00-SB.PDF \(ct.gov\)](#)

AN ACT ALLOWING MEDICAL ASSISTANTS TO ADMINISTER VACCINES.

Summary: To allow medical assistants to administer vaccines.