2024 Kentucky General Assembly

TELEHEALTH TO IMPROVE HEALTHCARE

OPPORTUNITY TO IMPROVE THE BUSINESS CLIMATE

Digital advancements in health care are propelling innovation and driving long-term structural changes in how health care is delivered – trends that the pandemic accelerated. From digital tools driving research and development of treatments and preventative care to delivering health care remotely through telemedicine, both the response and recovery phases are heavily dependent on new technologies and extended broadband coverage.

APPROACH TO TACKLE THE ISSUE

Embrace and facilitate the use of telehealth as an innovation that can improve employee and community health, as well as save costs.

Adopt new statues, regulations, and appropriate reimbursement from state and federal payors to create greater accessibility to telehealth.

Make permanent the telehealth allowances under the Public Health Emergency (PHE), upon anticipated expiration of the PHE.

WHY DOES IT MATTER TO MY BUSINESS

By adopting new statutes, regulations, and appropriate reimbursement from state and federal payors, telehealth can continue to bring health care services to more people and better health care outcomes, as well as cost savings for employers, patients, providers, and society.

WHAT WE ARE ASKING AN ELECTED OFFICIAL TO DO

The NKY Chamber urges the Kentucky General Assembly to embrace and facilitate these innovations by:

Adopting new statutes, regulations, and appropriate reimbursement from state and federal payors, all of which are developed in partnership with the private sector and other key stakeholders.

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