

Financial Relief for Medicare Providers in Response to COVID-19

CMS recently announced that effective March 28, 2020, it will offer accelerated and advance payments for Medicare participating health care clinicians and suppliers to lessen financial hardships for physician practices. Clinicians who meet the qualifying criteria may request up to 100% Medicare payments for a three-month period. The payments will be subject to recoupment within 180 days. Visit the [press release](#) and [fact sheet](#) for more information.

Attached is an AMA summary of HR 748 Cares Act, the stimulus package for small business including medical practices.

Expanded Telemedicine

Attached is a CMS document for expanded telemedicine services.

On-Demand Palmetto GBA Jurisdiction J and M Part B Medicare Telehealth Expansion for COVID-19: Billing and Coverage Webcast Recording
Providers may view an on-demand recording of the March 24, 2020, Palmetto GBA Jurisdiction J and M Medicare Telehealth Expansion for COVID-19: Billing and Coverage webcast on the Palmetto GBA website. During the recorded webcast, Palmetto GBA shared the latest available information regarding Medicare Telehealth coverage specifically related to the COVID-19 outbreak as well as other Medicare-covered virtual services. Note: As the Public Health Emergency continues and CMS provides additional clarification and instructions, older recorded webcasts may be removed from the Palmetto GBA website. The two Palmetto GBA Telehealth briefing webcasts from March 19, 2020, have been removed. Please review and share this information with your staff.

Applies to:

JJ Part B//General

JM Part B//General

Attachments:

NOTE: The links below will direct your browser to the location where the documents attached to this email have been posted.

[summary-H.R. 748-cares-act](#)

[CMSTelemedicine Covid19-PhysiciansAndPractitioners-508cFinal \(1\)](#)

[Billing Guide for Telehealth Encounters](#)