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To: Chief Financial Officers – All Hospitals

From: Dennis N. Phelps – Deputy Director-Audit & Compliance

Date: July 26, 2022

Re: Continued Suspension of Telehealth Regulations– COMAR
10.37.10.07-1 and Other COVID-19 Related Temporary Approvals

On July , 2022, the President signed the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2022 that extended the federal telehealth flexibilities for 151 days beyond the end of the federal Public Health Emergency. The federal Public Health Emergency has been extended and is currently set to expire on October 13, 2022, although it may be renewed for another 90 days.

In recognition of the further extension of the federal telehealth flexibilities, the HSCRC has determined that it is appropriate to extend the effective date of Telehealth regulations (COMAR 10.37.10.07-1) and to allow for the continuation of certain other previous HSCRC approvals granted temporarily. These temporary approvals relate to At-the-Hospital determination criteria, mandated tiered rates, and COVID-19 tests, vaccines, and therapies, and they will expire coincident with the end of the extension of the federal telehealth flexibilities.

If you have any questions, you may contact me at dennis.phelps@maryland.gov.

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