

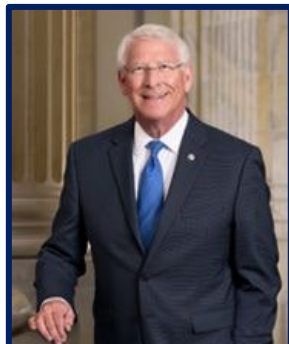
S.1261 & H.R.1407

CONNECT for Health Act of 2025

Expands access to telehealth services by amending title XVIII of the Social Security Act



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Rep. Mike Thompson (D-CA)



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The Issue

Historically, telehealth services faced limitations, including geographic restrictions, meaning only patients in rural areas could access virtual care. By eliminating these barriers, the bill allows broader access to telehealth nationwide. Additionally, it expands the list of eligible providers, enabling rural clinics and federally qualified health centers to offer remote care. In response to public health emergencies, the legislation waives telehealth restrictions, ensuring uninterrupted care during crises.

The Ask

S.1261 and H.R. 1407 will expand access to telehealth services by amending title XVIII of the Social Security Act². The bill aims to create a more accessible and equitable healthcare system by leveraging technology to serve underserved communities, improve patient outcomes, and streamline healthcare delivery.

