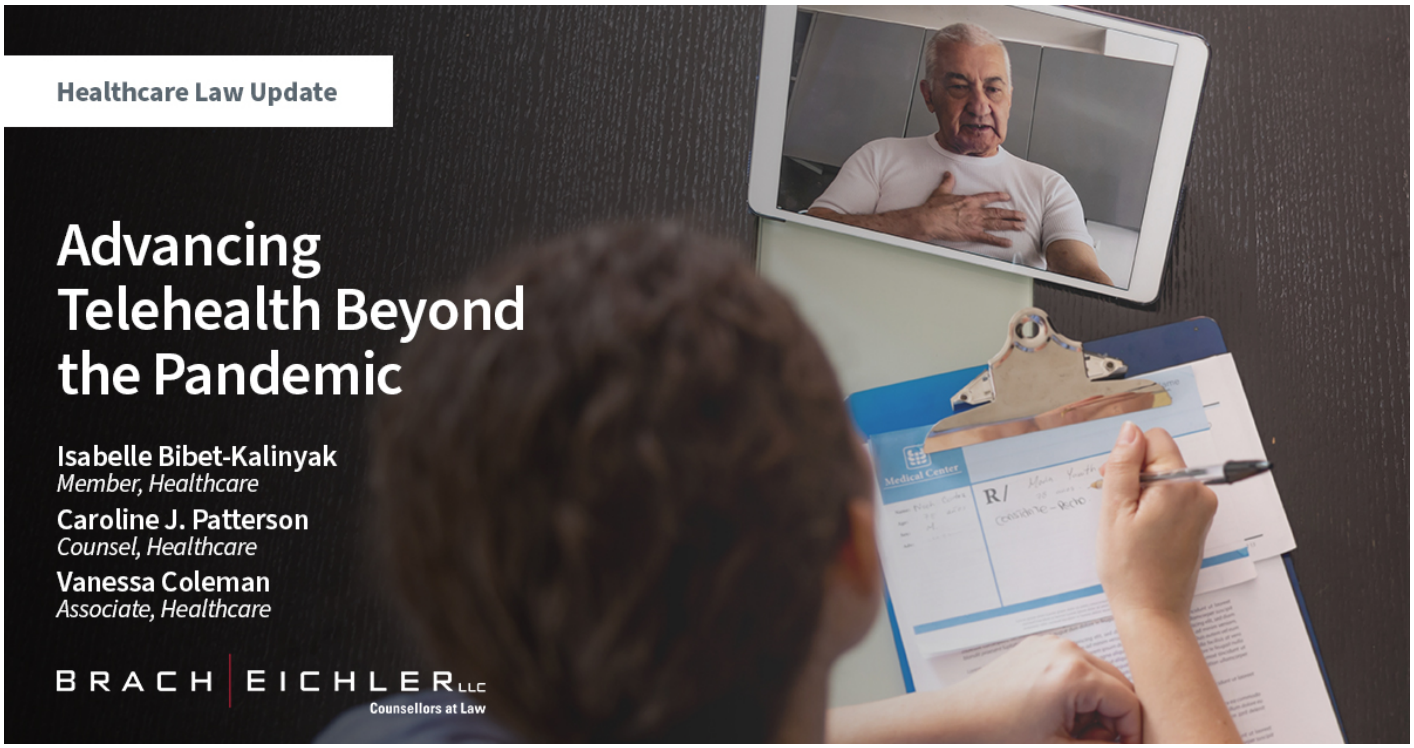
Advancing Telehealth Beyond the Pandemic



The Advancing Telehealth Beyond COVID-19 Act of 2022 (H.R. 4040) passed in the U.S. House of Representatives on July 27, 2022 and the bill is headed to the Senate for a vote. This bill seeks to extend certain Medicare telehealth flexibilities after the end of the COVID-19 public health emergency. Specifically, the bill provides that certain flexibilities continue to apply until December 31, 2024, if the emergency period ends before that date. The bill includes the following proposed flexibilities: removing geographic requirements and expanding originating sites for telehealth services; expanding the designated practitioners who are eligible to furnish telehealth services; expanding telehealth services for Federally Qualified Health Centers and Rural Health Clinics; continuing coverage and payment for audio-only telehealth services; and allowing the face to face hospice recertification visit to be performed via telehealth. The bill also seeks to delay in-person requirements under Medicare for mental health services furnished through telehealth and telecommunications technology until January 1, 2025, or the first day after the end of the emergency period, whichever is later.

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