

## **URGENT ACTION ALERT**

Send Letter Today to Governor Cuomo & Your Senator & Assemblymember Urging Final Budget Adopt Critical Protections for Telehealth including Payment Parity & Preservation of Audio or Video-Only

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With only one week to go until a state budget is due to be adopted, NYSPA members are urged to send a letter today (see below link) to Governor Cuomo and their Senator and Assemblymember urging them to support the adoption of critical protections for telehealth/telemedicine. These protections include: (1) requiring payment parity with an in-person visit, (2) preserving the ability for use of audio-only or video-only across all payers and, (3) ensuring health plans do not prioritize out of state health care providers for telehealth services at the expense of in-state community-based physicians and circumvent NY scope of practice laws.

In collaboration with MSSNY and specialties, a template letter has been prepared to be sent with just a few clicks via the below link.

Negotiations and discussions on the budget continue around the clock! Please make your voice heard today!

## **ACTION NEEDED:**

Send letter today via the MSSNY Grassroots Action Center at:

https://p2a.co/5jaOqI6!!

Thank You!