


House OKs Medicare Part B Changes

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(BNA) -- Seniors being treated in their homes for various ailments would have more services covered by Medicare under a bill passed by the House Tuesday.

The bill ([H.R. 3178](#)) would allow temporarily payments for home delivery of infusion services and would expand a Medicare telehealth program for people with end-stage renal disease, as well as codify recent changes to physician self-referral rules. The bill would also make it easier for beneficiaries to get customized orthotics and prosthetics.

The legislation is a combination of six bills, which all have both Democrat and Republican supporters and make small changes to Medicare Part B, which generally covers outpatient care, preventive services, ambulance services, and durable medical equipment. It was passed by a voice vote.

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