

Congress of the United States

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The Honorable Mehmet C. Oz, MD
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The Honorable Abe Sutton
Director
Center for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation
Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services
7500 Security Boulevard
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Dear Administrator Oz and Director Sutton:

As sponsors of the Tech to Save Moms Act (H.R. 8317), we write to encourage the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), through the Center for Medicare & Medicaid Innovation (CMMI), to pursue a demonstration model that advances the goals outlined in our legislation and leverages technology to improve maternal health outcomes nationwide.

The United States continues to face an unacceptable maternal health crisis, with disproportionately poor outcomes in rural, underserved, and high-risk communities. As CMS has previously recognized, innovative telehealth payment and service delivery models for maternal health represent an important opportunity to improve access to high quality care, particularly for patients facing provider shortages, transportation barriers, and other challenges that impede access to maternity care.

The Tech to Save Moms Act includes provisions directing CMMI to consider models focused on Medicaid beneficiaries that support the adoption and use of telehealth tools for the screening, monitoring, and management of common health complications during pregnancy and throughout the postpartum period.

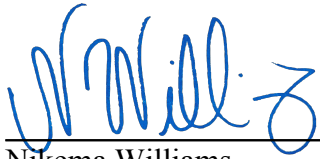
We respectfully request that CMMI evaluate, develop and test a demonstration model that:

- Expands access to maternal telehealth services and remote monitoring technologies for Medicaid beneficiaries during pregnancy and the postpartum period;
- Supports the screening, monitoring, and management of common pregnancy-related and postpartum health complications;
- Improves access to care in rural and urban underserved, low income, and high-risk communities;
- Evaluates the impact of technology enabled interventions on clinical outcomes, patient engagement, and program costs with an eye toward closing health gaps socioeconomic, geographic, and racial and ethnic divides; and
- Identifies best practices for broader adoption within Medicaid and other CMS programs.

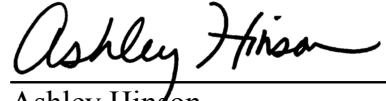
Such a demonstration would help generate valuable evidence regarding the effectiveness of technology enabled maternal healthcare solutions while supporting CMS's ongoing efforts to improve maternal health outcomes nationwide.

As we have stated publicly, innovative technology can play an important role in addressing our nation's maternal health crisis, and we should be using every available tool to make pregnancy and postpartum care safer, more accessible, and more effective for families across the country. We appreciate CMS's continued commitment to addressing the maternal health crisis and we look forward to working with you directly.

Sincerely,



Nikema Williams
Member of Congress



Ashley Hinson
Member of Congress