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**NEW YORK HEALTH PLAN ASSOCIATION ON  
GOVERNOR CUOMO’S STATE OF THE STATE TELEHEALTH PROPOSAL**

*Statement of Eric Linzer, HPA President & CEO*

“Telehealth has been an important tool throughout the pandemic to ensure that New Yorkers can access the care they need and help prevent the spread of the virus. In response to this global health crisis, health plans have expanded the types of services available through telehealth and other innovative technologies that support remote care and are committed to building on these efforts to improve the quality and availability of health care throughout the state.

“We stand ready to work with Governor Cuomo and his Administration, as well as with our partners in the delivery system, on policy changes to unlock the full potential of telehealth and further expand this important technology to transform the health care system and make care more efficient and accessible for patients.”