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Guidance Issued for FCC's Connected Care Pilot Program

The FCC's Wireline Competition Bureau released a public notice today providing additional information on the agency's Connected Care Pilot program, which will provide up to \$100 million in universal service funding over three years. "Due to Paperwork Reduction Act requirements, the Bureau does not anticipate that Pilot Program applications will be accepted before November 2020," the bureau said in the public notice. "This year, our country has pivoted to a newer model of delivering health care, one that finds connectivity at its core, and the FCC has risen to the challenge in supporting connected care services throughout the United States," FCC Chairman Ajit Pai said in a news release. "Our Connected Care Pilot Program will help us to look to the future and determine how universal service support can shepherd telehealth services into a new era of healthcare delivery. Today's Public Notice provides critical program information to help health care providers prepare to apply for this universal service program. I'd like to thank my colleagues at the FCC for working diligently on this effort and Commissioner [Brendan] Carr for his leadership on this important initiative."

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