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Assembly Bills 5608 and 5609 were introduced on June 15, 2023 to the New Jersey General Assembly and referred to the Assembly Health Committee. [Assembly Bill 5608](#) would establish a voluntary, three-year pilot program to provide certain pregnant Medicaid beneficiaries with remote maternal health services, including remote patient monitoring, remote non-stress tests, and tele-ultrasound services upon referral. State licensed physicians and midwives would be permitted to refer a pregnant Medicaid beneficiary to the pilot program if the provider determines that remote maternal health services are in the beneficiary's best interests or that the beneficiary has an increased likelihood of a high-risk pregnancy due to: pre-existing medical conditions; age; lifestyle factors; or a diagnosed pregnancy-related condition, such as preeclampsia. [Assembly Bill 5609](#), would allow a health care provider who establishes a proper provider-patient relationship with a pregnant patient to remotely monitor the patient if the patient is unable to receive in-person services at a physician's office or other licensed health care facility. This Bill would also require Medicaid reimbursement for remote patient monitoring rendered to certain Medicaid beneficiaries.

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