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Cornyn: Austin Clinic to Receive \$264K in Funds to Improve Telehealth

WASHINGTON – CommUnity Care in Austin was awarded a federal grant of \$264,132 to improve telehealth resources to help combat the spread of the novel coronavirus, U.S. Sen. John Cornyn announced today. The funding, which was appropriated by Congress in March as part of the *CARES Act*, comes through the Federal Communications Commission.

"As the coronavirus outbreak continues to spread across Texas, it's important that we in Washington do everything we can to make sure our health care professionals can meet this challenge head-on," said Sen. Cornyn. "I applaud the Trump Administration for continuing to make telehealth in Austin an important priority."

The funds will go toward computers, remote monitoring equipment, a telehealth platform subscription, and videoconferencing equipment and software to help test patients for COVID-19, to monitor patient glucose and blood pressure, and to enable telehealth visits and remote work for the clinical teams.

Senator John Cornyn, a Republican from Texas, is a member of the Senate Finance, Intelligence, and Judiciary Committees.

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