

Carr Visits Florida for Events Focused on 5G Jobs, Broadband Builds, and Telehealth

TAMPA, July 14, 2021—This week, FCC Commissioner Brendan Carr is in Florida for events that will focus on 5G jobs and federal support for high-speed Internet and telehealth services in the Sunshine State.

Today, Carr will highlight efforts to create good-paying jobs in the technology and 5G economy. He will meet with students at the Learning Alliance Corporation (LAC)—an organization that trains workers for jobs in the fields of tower climbing as well as high-speed fiber and cable construction. Carr will join the students in hands-on training, including a tower climb alongside students and participating in an augmented reality training session. Carr will then participate in an event that will help promote career growth in the telecommunications industry. Next, Carr will visit a health care provider in Bradenton that received funding from the FCC to provide critical telehealth services to patients that are part of their mental health and substance use disorder programs during the COVID-19 pandemic. Carr will also deliver remarks at the Florida Tech & Innovation Summit on the policies that can further expand U.S. leadership in 5G.

Tomorrow, Carr will visit an active fiber build that will help to expand Internet connectivity in south Florida. Carr will then join a Connected Care Pilot Program awardee and COVID-19 Telehealth Program recipient in the Miami area that has utilized federal funding to develop a new intensive telehealth unit and mobile health program aimed at providing remote connectivity and health care to low-income and veteran patients across the state.

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