

Committee: House Health and Government Operations Committee

Bill Number: House Bill 636 – Maryland Health Care Commission – Assisted Living

Programs - Study

Hearing Date: February 17, 2022

Position: Support

The Coordinating Center strongly supports *House Bill 636 – Maryland Health Care Commission – Assisted Living Programs – Study.* The legislation charges the Maryland Health Care Commission with developing recommendations regarding assisted living in consultation with stakeholders.

Our organization provides care coordination services for many individuals in home and community-based waivers. The assisted living community is an important part of the continuum of care for individuals living with complex conditions, including dementia and Alzheimer's disease. The study, as authorized in the legislation, would take a comprehensive review of issues facing assisted living providers, such as reimbursement and staffing.

We ask for a favorable report; and if enacted, The Coordinating Center would be interested in being included in the workgroup under this bill. If we can provide any additional information that is helpful, please contact Robyn Elliott at relliott@policypartners.net or (443) 926-3443.