The MdCSWC, sponsored by the Greater Washington Society for Clinical Social Work, represents the interests of more than 9,500 licensed clinical social workers in Maryland.

TO: The Honorable C.T. Wilson, Chair

Members, House Economic Matters Committee

The Honorable Susan K. McComas

FROM: Judith Gallant, LCSW-C, Chair, Maryland Clinical Social Work Coalition

DATE: March 1, 2022

RE: SUPPORT – House Bill 1164 – Labor and Employment – Workers' Compensation

- Licensed Certified Social Worker-Clinical

The Maryland Clinical Social Work Coalition (MdCSWC), sponsored by the Greater Washington Society for Clinical Social Work, represents the interests of more than 9,500 licensed clinical social workers in Maryland. On behalf of MdCSWC, we **support** House Bill 1164.

House Bill 1164 would authorize a licensed certified social worker-clinical to register as a rehabilitation practitioner to provide evaluation services for workers' compensation claims related to permanent impairments involving a behavioral or mental disorder. Licensed clinical social workers meet or exceed all the qualification and experience requirements to be able to register as a rehabilitation practitioner in workers' compensation claims. For this reason, we support House Bill 1164.

For more information call:

Christine K. Krone Pamela Metz Kasemeyer Danna L. Kauffman 410-244-7000