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TO: The Honorable Vanessa E. Atterbeary, Chair
Members, House Ways and Means Committee
The Honorable Jason C. Buckel

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RE: **SUPPORT** – House Bill 845 – *Income Tax – Subtraction Modification – Income of Health Care Workers*

On behalf of the LifeSpan Network and the Maryland Association of Adult Day Services (MAADS), we **support** House Bill 845. House Bill 845 provides a subtraction modification of \$25,000 for taxable years 2021 and 2022 for health care workers in primary care (includes geriatrics), behavioral health, and dental services.

Over the last two years, health care workers have been at the front lines of this pandemic. While others were able to safely work from home, these workers showed up every day providing care to Maryland's frail elderly and disabled residents. These workers struggled to implement new and ever-changing guidance, serve both the physical and mental needs of residents, and manage their own personal and family needs, such as finding childcare so that they could continue to come to work. Maryland must continue to bolster our health care workforce, and House Bill 845 demonstrates the appreciation that this State has for them during this most troubling time. It is well deserved, and we urge a favorable vote.

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