

Committee: House Health and Government Operations Committee

Bill Number: House Bill 865

Title: Maryland Medical Assistance Program and Health Insurance - Coverage for

Orthoses and Prostheses

Hearing Date: February 15, 2024

Position: Support

The Coordinating Center supports House Bill 865 – Maryland Medical Assistance Program and Health Insurance - Coverage for Orthoses and Prostheses. This bill will require Medicaid and private insurance coverage for orthoses and prostheses.

Our organization provides care coordination through to clients enrolled in Community First Choice and many of Maryland Medicaid's home and community-based service waivers. Many of our clients face challenges in mobility and activities of daily living. Our goal is to support our clients in living as independently as possibility in their own communities.

Maryland Medicaid provides some coverage of orthoses and prostheses. This bill would enhance coverage and align Medicaid coverage with the commercial market.

We ask for a favorable report. If we can provide any additional information that is helpful, please contact Robyn Elliott at relliott@policypartners.net.