



Committee: House Health and Government Operations Committee

Bill Number: House Bill 869 – Preserve Telehealth Access Act of 2025

Hearing Date: February 13, 2025

Position: Support

The Coordinating Center supports *House Bill 869 – Preserve Telehealth Access Act of 2025*. The legislation removes the sunset date for two telehealth reimbursement provisions: 1) reimbursement for audio-only services; and 2) payment parity.

Our organization provides care coordination to nearly 10,000 Marylanders annually to individuals enrolled in Maryland Medicaid programs, including the Community First Choice Program, and other 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 possible in their own communities.

Telehealth services are essential to maintaining the health and wellbeing of people who face mobility and transportation challenges.ⁱ The Coordinating Center supports this legislation because it promotes equitable access to health care services through the provision of telehealth services for people across Maryland.

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

ⁱ <https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/27473387/>