



Committee: House Health and Government Operations

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

Hearing Date: February 13, 2025

Position: Support

Moveable Feast strongly supports *House Bill 869 – Preserve Telehealth Access Act of 2025*. The legislation makes telehealth flexibilities permanent in coverage provided by the Maryland Medical Assistance Program and state-regulated private insurance.

Moveable Feast’s mission is centered on health equity. We provide medically tailored meals to improve the health outcomes of people with serious chronic or life-threatening disease. Many of our clients have limited mobility or face transportation issues. Telehealth can provide a lifeline for them to receive needed care without leaving their homes. Research demonstrates the efficacy of telehealth in supporting the management of chronic conditions and serious illness.ⁱ

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

ⁱ <https://medicine.yale.edu/news-article/telehealth-is-just-as-effective-as-in-person-care-new-study-finds/#:~:text=One%20of%20the%20largest%20randomized%20clinical%20trials,on%20managing%20the%20symptoms%20of%20serious%20illness.>

<https://telehealth.hhs.gov/providers/best-practice-guides/telehealth-older-adults/telehealth-chronic-conditions/#:~:text=Why%20use%20telehealth%20to%20manage%20chronic%20conditions,hypertension%2C%20and%20diabetes%20as%20the%20most%20common.>