



# *Maryland Senior Citizens Action Network*

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## **House Bill 869- Preserve Telehealth Access Act of 2025 Health and Government Operations Committee February 13, 2025 Support**

The Maryland Senior Citizens Action Network (MSCAN) is a statewide coalition of advocacy groups, service providers, faith-based and mission-driven organizations that supports policies that meet the housing and care needs of Maryland's low and moderate-income seniors.

**MSCAN enthusiastically supports HB869** for its ability to positively impact the lives of seniors by allowing continued access to audio only telehealth by removing the sunset provision. This service expansion has become a vital part of Maryland's continuum of care and it must be preserved. The continued use of audio only telehealth has been invaluable to our seniors who do not always have stable internet, including those in rural communities, or have technological challenges to video health care. Ensuring that patients continue to be able to use audio only telehealth in lieu of an in-person visit will keep these Marylanders healthier.

For these reasons, MSCAN respectfully requests a favorable report for on HB869.