



Telehealth Policy Workgroup

October 21, 2020 Meeting Summary

- The Maryland Health Care Commission (MHCC) called the meeting to order at 1:00pm.
- The goals of the Telehealth Policy Workgroup (workgroup) were reviewed by MHCC.
- The MHCC overviewed key telehealth policies temporarily implemented in response to the COVID-19 public health emergency. The suggested discussion items are based on feedback from participants and will guide future deliberations.
- The workgroup discussed the benefits, unintended consequences, and permanency concerns of removing restrictions on originating sites and permitting audio-only services when the treating provider determines it to be safe, effective, and appropriate. Discussions included perspectives from health care providers, payers, and consumers.
- Next steps were highlighted by MHCC, including the next meeting date and time: November 12th, 3:00pm-5:00pm.
- The meeting was adjourned at 3:00pm.

**Telehealth Policy Workgroup
10/21/2020 Meeting Attendees**

Count	First Name	Last Name	Organization
1	Joe	Adams	BD Health Services
2	Salliann	Alborn	Maryland Nurses Association, the Suburban Psychiatric Society, and Planned Parenthood of Maryland
3	Emily	Arneson	Kenedy Krieger Institute
4	Paul	Berman	Berman & Killeen, PA, Maryland Psychological Association
5	Richard	Block	Maryland Podiatric Medical Association
6	Nicole	Brandt, PharmD	Peter Lamy Center on Drug Therapy and Aging
7	Dave	Brennan	MedStar
8	Jennifer	Briemann	Maryland Managed Care Organization Association
9	Alyssa	Brown	Maryland Department of Health, Office of Health Services
10	Nancy	Brown	Maryland Department of Health
11	Rebecca	Canino	Johns Hopkins University
12	Patrick	Carlson	Maryland Department of Legislative Services
13	Matthew	Celentano	League of Life & Health Insurers of Maryland
14	Anakay	Chambers	MedStar
15	Ann	Ciekot	Public Policy Partners
16	Annie	Coble	Johns Hopkins University
17	Eric	Colchamiro	Government Affairs, Alzheimer's Association
18	David	Cooney	Maryland Insurance Administration
19	Jen	Crockett, MD	Kennedy Krieger Institute
20	Sherry	Dai	CareFirst BlueCross BlueShield
21	Joe	Demattos	Health Facilities Association of Maryland
22	Linda	Dietsch	Maryland Physicians Care
23	Lori	Doyle	Community Behavioral Health Association of Maryland
24	Robyn	Elliott	Maryland Nurses Association, the Suburban Psychiatric Society, and Planned Parenthood of Maryland
25	Peggy	Funk	Hospice & Palliative Care Network
26	Shannon	Gahs	Zektick
27	Cathy	Grason, JD	CareFirst BlueCross BlueShield
28	Jessica	Grau	Maryland Health Benefit Exchange
29	Elizabeth	Groncki	University of Maryland Medical System
30	Jim	Gutman	American Association of Retired Persons
31	Marina	Hardy	Taft Hardy & Associates
32	Ann	Horton	Maryland National Capital Homecare Association
33	Diana	Hsu	Maryland Hospital Association
34	Jim	Hummer	Lorien Health Services
35	Donna	Jacobs	University of Maryland Medical System
36	Neal	Karkhanis	League of Life & Health Insurers of Maryland
37	Niharika	Khanna, MD	University of Maryland Medical System
38	Beverly	Lang	Nurse Practitioner Association of Maryland Inc.
39	Christopher	Langhammer, MD	University of Maryland Medical System
40	Sonia	Lawson, PhD	Maryland Occupational Therapy Association
41	Cailey	Locklair Tolle	Maryland Retailers Association
42	Kathleen	Loughran	Amerigroup
43	Daniel	Mansour	Peter Lammy Center on Drug Therapy and Aging
44	Pam	Metz	Schwartz, Metz and Wise, P.A.
45	Andrea	Mullin	Maryland Medical Society
46	Michael	Paddy	Maryland Insurance Administration
47	Julia	Perrotta	Atlantic General Hospital
48	Sarah	Peters	Husch Blackwell Strategies
49	Bill	Pitcher	Husch Blackwell Strategies
50	Gene	Ransom	MedChi
51	Sharon	Ringly	Chief of Staff for Delegate Kelly
52	Deb	Rivkin	CareFirst BlueCross BlueShield
53	Tricia	Roddy	Maryland Department of Health
54	Magaly	Rodriguez de Bittner, PharmD	University of Maryland School of Pharmacy
55	Lindsay	Rowe	Maryland Department of Legislative Services

56	Dan	Shattuck	Barbara Marx Brocato & Associates
57	Deborah	Steinberg	Maryland Parity at 10 Coalition
58	Allison	Taylor	Kaiser Permanente
59	Tequila	Terry	Health Services Cost Review Commission
60	Jim	Trumble, MD	Peninsula Regional Medical Center
61	Ellen	Weber	Maryland Parity at 10 Coalition
62	Jennifer	Witten	Maryland Hospital Association
63	Ben	Wolff	Maryland Department of Health, Office of Health Services
64	Teresa	Zent	Maryland Telehealth Alliance