

**Telehealth
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Senator Lesser, Representative Scanlon, Senator Kelly, Representative Pavalock-D'Amato, and distinguished members of the Insurance and Real Estate Committee: My name is Abby Gloria, and I am an APRN at Generations Family Health Center's Danielson site. In the last few months, my patients have benefited greatly by using the telehealth services provided by Generations' Medical Department during this COVID pandemic.

I have two patients that are effectively home bound, and I have been able to see them through video and conduct their visits. This has been instrumental, as without it, these patients would either have to leave their house to come into the office (which is currently impossible for them) or go without care. These visits also saved the patients from having to go to the emergency department for care, which saved the patients time, discomfort, and money.

Thank you for your attention to this important issue. Our patients need access to telehealth with or without this pandemic to receive the healthcare they need.