

You Can Advocate to Expand Access to Telehealth



WOW: MY IMPACT STATEMENT

Examples:

- "I have lived with MS for XX years and had my first telehealth (medical/therapeutic) appointment during the pandemic, eliminating a full day of travel, waiting and ultimately debilitating fatigue and stress."
- 94% of MS healthcare providers and 81% of people with MS reported they want to continue using telehealth after the COVID-19 pandemic.



HOW: IMPACT ON THE MS COMMUNITY AND CONGRESS' ROLE IN THE SOLUTION

(You do not have to use all of the points below, pick what best supports your impact statement.)

- Congress must act to preserve expanded access after the COVID-19 pandemic so people with MS can continue to utilize the benefits that telehealth has provided them.
- Both people with MS and MS healthcare providers reported high satisfaction rates with telehealth visits and want to continue using telehealth. Satisfied- 89% people with MS/93% providers.
- Telehealth can help address workforce shortages and may provide an opportunity to address health equity gaps across the U.S. Research into these areas will be very important.



NOW: THE ASK FOR CONGRESS

- Support legislation to expand access to telehealth:
 - Telehealth Modernization Act (S.368/H.R. 1332)
 - Protecting Access to Post-Covid-19 Telehealth Act of 2021 (H.R. 366)

