

# SENATE BILL 453

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Behavioral Health Administration – Children With Mental Disorders – List of**  
3 **Available Services**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring the Behavioral Health Administration to maintain a certain  
5 list of the specific services in certain service categories that are available to a child  
6 in the State who has a mental disorder; requiring that the list include services  
7 available to any child in the State who has a mental disorder and who is enrolled in  
8 the Maryland Medical Assistance Program or has health insurance coverage;  
9 requiring the Administration to establish a certain method by which a person may  
10 request the list and make the list available to a person on request; and generally  
11 relating to a list of services available to children with mental disorders.

12 BY adding to

13 Article – Health – General

14 Section 10–908 to be under the new part “Part II. Services Available to Children  
15 With Mental Disorders”

16 Annotated Code of Maryland  
17 (2019 Replacement Volume)

18 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,  
19 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

20 **Article – Health – General**

21 **PART II. SERVICES AVAILABLE TO CHILDREN WITH MENTAL DISORDERS.**

22 **10–908.**

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1           **(A) THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL MAINTAIN AN UPDATED LIST OF THE**  
2 **SPECIFIC SERVICES IN EACH OF THE FOLLOWING SERVICE CATEGORIES THAT ARE**  
3 **AVAILABLE TO A CHILD IN THE STATE WHO HAS A MENTAL DISORDER:**

4           **(1) PSYCHIATRIC REHABILITATION SERVICES;**

5           **(2) THERAPEUTIC SERVICES;**

6           **(3) CARE COORDINATION SERVICES; AND**

7           **(4) HOME HEALTH AIDE SERVICES.**

8           **(B) THE LIST MAINTAINED UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION SHALL**  
9 **INCLUDE SERVICES AVAILABLE TO ANY CHILD IN THE STATE WHO HAS A MENTAL**  
10 **DISORDER AND WHO IS ENROLLED IN THE MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE**  
11 **PROGRAM OR HAS HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE.**

12           **(C) THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL:**

13           **(1) ESTABLISH A METHOD BY WHICH A PERSON MAY REQUEST THE**  
14 **LIST MAINTAINED IN SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION THROUGH THE**  
15 **ADMINISTRATION'S WEBSITE; AND**

16           **(2) MAKE THE LIST MAINTAINED UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS**  
17 **SECTION AVAILABLE TO A PERSON ON REQUEST, EITHER THROUGH THE METHOD**  
18 **ESTABLISHED IN ITEM (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION OR THROUGH ANY OTHER MEANS.**

19           SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
20 October 1, 2020.