

Maryland Community Health System

Committee:	Senate Finance Committee
Bill Number:	SB 796 – Maryland Office of Minority Health and Health Disparities and Maryland Health Care Commission – Reporting Requirements
Hearing Date:	March 3, 2020
Position:	Support

Maryland Community Health System (MCHS) supports *Senate Bill 796 – Maryland Office of Minority Health and Health Disparities and Maryland Health Care Commission – Reporting Requirements.* The bill will provide for enhanced data collection and analysis of the racial and ethnic composition of Maryland's healthcare workforce. The health occupation boards will be required to collect data from licensees and certificate holders on a voluntary basis. This data will help shape programs to improve the alignment of the diversity of the health care workforce with the communities that they serve.

Thank you for your consideration of our testimony, and we urge a favorable vote. If we can provide any further information, please contact Robyn Elliott at <u>relliott@policypartners.net</u> or (443) 926-3443.

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