



STATE OF MARYLAND

Community Health Resources Commission

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Larry Hogan, Governor - Boyd Rutherford, Lt. Governor
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The Honorable Maggie McIntosh
Chair, House Appropriations Committee
Room 121, House Office Building
Annapolis, MD 21401

The Honorable Vanessa E. Atterbeary
Chair, House Ways & Means Committee
Room 131, House Office Building
Annapolis, MD 21401

Re: Senate Bill 802 – Maryland Consortium on Coordinated Community Supports – Membership and Coordinated Community Supports Partnership Fund – Revisions

Dear Chairs Atterbeary & McIntosh:

The Maryland Community Health Resources Commission (CHRC) is pleased to submit this letter of support for SB 802 - Maryland Consortium on Coordinated Community Supports – Membership and Coordinated Community Supports Partnership Fund – Revisions.

This bill as amended would make a few modest adjustments as the CHRC prepares to staff and launch the new Consortium. These adjustments include adding additional members to the Consortium; clarifying the responsibilities of the CHRC; increasing the funding for the Consortium beginning in Fiscal Year 2024; and adding two additional PINs to the CHRC as we prepare to implement the Act.

The CHRC looks forward to staffing the new Maryland Consortium on Coordinating Community Supports and supporting the policy objectives to expand access to behavioral health services contemplated under Chapter 36 from 2021. We look forward to working with you and the Members of the Maryland General Assembly in the coming weeks and months as the important work of the Consortium begins.

Sincerely,

Mark Luckner,
CHRC Executive Director

CC: The Honorable Edward J. Kasemeyer, CHRC Chair
The Honorable Guy Guzzone, Chair, Senate Budget & Taxation Committee
Members, House Appropriations Committee
Members, House Ways & Meant Committee