



House Health & Government Operations Committee

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Senate Bill 684

Public Health - Health Equity Dashboard

Support with Amendment

NCADD-Maryland strongly supports Senate Bill 684, which would create a clear and easy-to-understand graphic data dashboard that includes age-adjusted health disparity data disaggregated by race, ethnicity, and gender.

Having this kind of disaggregated data on health insurance access, substance use and mental health disorders, and other key health indicators will assist in the development of targeted programming and well-informed policies to address health disparities that continue to impact communities all over Maryland.

With one amendment to change on page 2 in line 8 from “SUBSTANCE ABUSE” to “SUBSTANCE USE,” we ask this committee to conform this language to the House Bill and give Senate Bill 684 a favorable report.