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Maryland Board of Social Work Examiners  
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The Honorable Joseline A. Peña-Melnyk  
Chair, House Health and Government Operations Committee  
Room 241, House Office Building  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

**RE: HB 783 – Health Occupations – Structural Racism Training – Letter of Information**

Dear Chair Peña-Melnyk and Committee Members:

The Maryland Board of Social Work Examiners is submitting this letter of information for SB 458 – Health Occupations – Structural Racism Training.

Effective December 11, 2023, licensed social workers in Maryland are required to complete 3 of their required CEUs at renewal with a focus on anti-oppressive social work practice. Please see below from COMAR 10.42.06.03A:

*(d) 3 of the required Category I continuing education units shall have anti-oppressive social work practice content focusing on race, culture, or equity, and include one or more of the following topics: (i) Cultural humility; (ii) Social justice; (iii) Racial equity; (iv) Implicit bias; or (v) Anti-racism practices.*

This information is provided to ensure that should this bill pass, the Board of Social Work Examiners will be prepared to comply. I hope this information is useful. If you would like to discuss this further, please contact me at (410) 764-4722 or [karen.richards2@maryland.gov](mailto:karen.richards2@maryland.gov) or Lillian Reese, Legislative Liaison at (443) 794-4757 or [lillian.reese@maryland.gov](mailto:lillian.reese@maryland.gov).

Respectfully,

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