

# HOUSE BILL 813

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By: **Delegate S. Johnson**

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Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Maryland Medical Assistance Program – Prescription Digital Therapeutics**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the Maryland Medical Assistance Program to provide  
4 coverage for prescription digital therapeutics for Program recipients diagnosed with  
5 a substance use disorder or depression; and generally relating to prescription digital  
6 therapeutics and the Maryland Medical Assistance Program.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
8 Article – Health – General  
9 Section 15–101(a) and 15–103(a)(1)  
10 Annotated Code of Maryland  
11 (2019 Replacement Volume and 2022 Supplement)

12 BY adding to  
13 Article – Health – General  
14 Section 15–101(f–1) and 15–103(a)(2)(xxii)  
15 Annotated Code of Maryland  
16 (2019 Replacement Volume and 2022 Supplement)

17 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
18 Article – Health – General  
19 Section 15–103(a)(2)(xx) and (xxi)  
20 Annotated Code of Maryland  
21 (2019 Replacement Volume and 2022 Supplement)

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

24 **Article – Health – General**

25 15–101.

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (a) In this title the following words have the meanings indicated.

2 (F-1) **“PRESCRIPTION DIGITAL THERAPEUTIC” MEANS A PRODUCT, A DEVICE,**  
3 **AN INTERNET APPLICATION, OR ANY OTHER TECHNOLOGY THAT:**

4 (1) **IS APPROVED, CLEARED, OR CLASSIFIED BY THE FEDERAL FOOD**  
5 **AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION UNDER §§ 510(K), 513(F), OR 515 OF THE FEDERAL**  
6 **FOOD, DRUG, AND COSMETIC ACT;**

7 (2) **HAS AN APPROVED OR CLEARED INDICATION FOR THE**  
8 **PREVENTION, MANAGEMENT, OR TREATMENT OF A MEDICAL DISEASE, CONDITION,**  
9 **OR DISORDER;**

10 (3) **PRIMARILY USES SOFTWARE TO ACHIEVE ITS INTENDED RESULT;**  
11 **AND**

12 (4) **CAN BE DISPENSED ONLY IN ACCORDANCE WITH A**  
13 **PRESCRIPTION.**

14 15–103.

15 (a) (1) The Secretary shall administer the Maryland Medical Assistance  
16 Program.

17 (2) The Program:

18 (xx) Beginning on July 1, 2023, shall provide, subject to federal  
19 approval and limitations of the State budget, community violence prevention services in  
20 accordance with 15–141.3 of this subtitle; [and]

21 (xxi) Beginning on January 1, 2023, shall provide, subject to the  
22 limitations of the State budget, and as permitted by federal law, coverage for self-measured  
23 blood pressure monitoring for all Program recipients diagnosed with uncontrolled high  
24 blood pressure, including:

25 1. The provision of validated home blood pressure monitors;  
26 and

27 2. Reimbursement of health care provider and other staff  
28 time used for patient training, transmission of blood pressure data, interpretation of blood  
29 pressure readings and reporting, and the delivery of co-interventions, including  
30 educational materials or classes, behavioral change management, and medication  
31 management; AND

1                   **(XXII) SHALL PROVIDE, SUBJECT TO THE LIMITATIONS OF THE**  
2 **STATE BUDGET, COVERAGE FOR PRESCRIPTION DIGITAL THERAPEUTICS FOR**  
3 **PROGRAM RECIPIENTS DIAGNOSED WITH A SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER OR**  
4 **DEPRESSION.**

5           SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
6 October 1, 2023.