

HOUSE BILL 666

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Maryland Medical Assistance Program and Health Insurance – Required**
3 **Coverage for Calcium Score Testing**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring the Maryland Medical Assistance Program and certain
5 insurers, nonprofit health service plans, health maintenance organizations, and
6 managed care organizations to provide coverage ~~for calcium score testing for~~
7 ~~individuals who have certain risk factors~~ in accordance with certain guidelines; and
8 generally relating to the coverage of calcium score testing by the Maryland Medical
9 Assistance Program and health insurance carriers.

10 BY adding to

11 Article – Health – General
12 Section 15–102.3(m) and 15–103(a)(2)(xxv)
13 Annotated Code of Maryland
14 (2023 Replacement Volume and 2024 Supplement)

15 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

16 Article – Health – General

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



1 Section 15–103(a)(1)
 2 Annotated Code of Maryland
 3 (2023 Replacement Volume and 2024 Supplement)

4 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
 5 Article – Health – General
 6 Section 15–103(a)(2)(xxiii) and (xxiv)
 7 Annotated Code of Maryland
 8 (2023 Replacement Volume and 2024 Supplement)

9 BY adding to
 10 Article – Insurance
 11 Section 15–861
 12 Annotated Code of Maryland
 13 (2017 Replacement Volume and 2024 Supplement)

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

16 **Article – Health – General**

17 15–102.3.

18 **(M) THE PROVISIONS OF § 15–861 OF THE INSURANCE ARTICLE APPLY TO**
 19 **MANAGED CARE ORGANIZATIONS IN THE SAME MANNER THEY APPLY TO CARRIERS.**

20 15–103.

21 (a) (1) The Secretary shall administer the Maryland Medical Assistance
 22 Program.

23 (2) The Program:

24 (xxiii) Beginning on July 1, 2025, shall provide, subject to the
 25 limitations of the State budget, and as permitted by federal law, coverage for biomarker
 26 testing in accordance with § 15–859 of the Insurance Article; [and]

27 (xxiv) Beginning on January 1, 2025, shall provide coverage for
 28 prostheses in accordance with § 15–844 of the Insurance Article; AND

29 **(XXV) BEGINNING ON JANUARY 1, 2026, SHALL PROVIDE**
 30 **CALCIUM SCORE TESTING IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 15–861 OF THE INSURANCE**
 31 **ARTICLE.**

32 **Article – Insurance**

1 15-861.

2 (A) THIS SECTION APPLIES TO:

3 (1) INSURERS AND NONPROFIT HEALTH SERVICE PLANS THAT
4 PROVIDE HOSPITAL, MEDICAL, OR SURGICAL BENEFITS TO INDIVIDUALS OR GROUPS
5 ON AN EXPENSE-INCURRED BASIS UNDER HEALTH INSURANCE POLICIES OR
6 CONTRACTS THAT ARE ISSUED OR DELIVERED IN THE STATE; AND

7 (2) HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATIONS THAT PROVIDE
8 HOSPITAL, MEDICAL, OR SURGICAL BENEFITS TO INDIVIDUALS OR GROUPS UNDER
9 CONTRACTS THAT ARE ISSUED OR DELIVERED IN THE STATE.

10 (B) AN ENTITY SUBJECT TO THIS SECTION SHALL PROVIDE COVERAGE FOR
11 CALCIUM SCORE TESTING IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE MOST RECENT GUIDELINES
12 ISSUED BY THE AMERICAN COLLEGE OF CARDIOLOGY THAT EXPAND THE SCOPE OF
13 PREVENTIVE CARE SERVICES FOR THE BENEFIT OF CONSUMERS ~~FOR INDIVIDUALS~~
14 ~~WHO HAVE AT LEAST THREE OF THE FOLLOWING RISK FACTORS:~~

15 (1) ~~DIABETES;~~

16 (2) ~~HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE;~~

17 (3) ~~HIGH CHOLESTEROL; OR~~

18 (4) ~~A FAMILY HISTORY OF PREMATURE CORONARY ARTERY DISEASE.~~

19 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall apply to all
20 policies, contracts, and health benefit plans issued, delivered, or renewed in the State on or
21 after January 1, 2026.

22 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
23 January 1, 2026.