

Chapter 662

(Senate Bill 684)

AN ACT concerning

Public Health – Health Equity Dashboard

FOR the purpose of requiring the Maryland Department of Health, in collaboration with the Commission on Health Equity, to develop a health equity data dashboard; requiring the Department to update the data dashboard at a certain frequency; and generally relating to a health equity data dashboard.

BY adding to

Article – Health – General

Section 13–5501 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 55. Health Equity Dashboard”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2023 Replacement Volume and 2024 Supplement)

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

Article – Health – General**SUBTITLE 55. HEALTH EQUITY DASHBOARD.****13–5501.**

(A) (1) THE DEPARTMENT, IN COLLABORATION WITH THE COMMISSION ON HEALTH EQUITY, SHALL DEVELOP A CLEAR AND EASY-TO-UNDERSTAND GRAPHIC DATA DASHBOARD THAT INCLUDES AGE-ADJUSTED HEALTH DISPARITY DATA DISAGGREGATED BY RACE, ETHNICITY, AND GENDER.

(2) THE DATA DASHBOARD SHALL INCLUDE INFORMATION REGARDING THE FOLLOWING HEALTH INDICATORS:

- (I) HEALTH INSURANCE ACCESS;
- (II) CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE;
- (III) CHRONIC DISEASE;
- (IV) MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ~~ABUSE~~ USE;
- (V) CANCER;

(VI) HIV/AIDS;

(VII) SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED INFECTION; ~~AND~~

(VIII) BODY MASS INDEX; AND

(IX) ANY OTHER HEALTH INDICATORS DETERMINED RELEVANT BY THE DEPARTMENT.

(B) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL:

(1) UPDATE THE DATA DASHBOARD DEVELOPED UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION ~~AT LEAST EVERY 30 DAYS~~ ON A QUARTERLY BASIS, AS DETERMINED BY DATA AVAILABILITY; AND

(2) POST THE MOST RECENT UPDATED DATA DASHBOARD PROMINENTLY ON ITS WEBSITE.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2025.

Approved by the Governor, May 20, 2025.