



# Maryland Occupational Therapy Association

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**Committee:** House Health and Government Operations Committee  
**Bill Number:** House Bill 196  
**Title:** Maryland Health Benefit Exchange – Establishment of a State-Based Health Insurance Subsidies Program  
**Hearing Date:** February 20, 2020  
**Position:** Support

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The Maryland Occupational Therapy Association (MOTA) supports *House Bill 196 – Maryland Health Benefit Exchange – Establishment of a State-Based Health Insurance Subsidies Program*. This bill would establish a program to provide a means for individuals to reduce the amount they pay for health benefit plans.

The Maryland Occupational Therapy Association (MOTA) has been a strong supporter of Maryland's health reforms efforts from the beginning. As a result of Maryland's efforts in implementing the Affordable Care Act (ACA), over 250,000 more Marylanders have insurance coverage. Unfortunately, many Marylanders continue to struggle accessing affordable health care through the health benefit exchange. We support this bill because it will help more consumers access health care services.

Thank you for your consideration of our testimony, and we urge a favorable vote. If we can provide any further information, please contact Rachael Faulkner at [rfaulkner@policypartners.net](mailto:rfaulkner@policypartners.net) or (410) 693-4000.