

SB388: Standardized Behavioral Health Questionnaire for Students - Development and Implementation Bill

Dear Education, Energy, and the Environment Committee Member,

My name is Catherine Carter, Vision/Health Advocate who worked on the <u>Atticus Act</u> 2018. For the 2023 session, I am asking for a favorable report for SB388 Standardized Behavioral Health Questionnaire for Students - Development and Implementation. This Bill complements the work of the Blueprint for Maryland's Future and the Blueprint's Maryland Consortium on Coordinated Community Supports by enabling this group of experts to create guidelines for the schools to follow for their parent student health questionnaires at registration. It allows parents to ask for help to report and update their student's needs and facilitate connecting to resources.

This bill was inspired by my positive experience and collaborative work with HCPSS staff. The bill will help find kids like Atticus who struggle to see clearly and went years misdiagnosed and lacked the right vision care and school accommodations. This bill will help kids like my daughter. After struggling to find local health resources who were open and accepting patients, her middle school that gave me a list of local behavioral health providers, so I was able to build a healthcare team to support her IEP goals. This team helped support her through the pandemic and re-enter high school.

In addition, when I updated my registration for my children for school, I was excited to see the behavioral health screening questions added (I attached screenshots below). There were questions on physical, dental, and eye exam. If your child has vision problems more specifically wears glasses, contacts, cross eyes. Questions on mental health. This health screening would have been such a valuable tool for me with Atticus, my daughter, and the parents of the 168 students we saw at the <u>2020 HCPSS Eye Exam Clinic</u>. This tool is a chance for a struggling parent to ask for help. I contacted HCPSS to thank them. They said they were glad that students aren't coming in as blank slates so they can be better prepared to meet student needs. Now all my kids' teachers know they wear glasses. Guyeus first grade teacher helps make sure he wears his. Because my kids had an eye exam in the last year, they also don't need a vision screening.

With the HCPSS screening, struggling students are identified and resources can be put into place to support. Staff training, grants, student support teams, and special education teams can be better informed. Parents can be connected to local resources like I was. Because this screening is part of the annual registration, a student's behavioral health needs can be updated and to see if the resources are working. I didn't list my daughter's needs because she has the essential resources in place thanks to the school's help.

Please consider supporting this bill. I appreciate the years of support and hope this Committee sees this bill is a continuation of building upon the work of addressing the health needs of our students.

The Bill:

1. Tasks the Maryland Consortium on Coordinated Community Supports to:

i. Create guidelines for school district behavioral health coordinators to follow when developing their student behavioral health needs questionnaire

ii. Consult with experts, including data protection specialists to ensure secure student data

iii. Update these guidelines every 5 years

2. Questionnaire is given to parents/guardians at new registration and every year after

Positive Impact:

- 1. Allows parents to ask for help to support their struggling students
- 2. Facilitates connecting families to local resources
- 3. Keeps student behavioral health needs up to date

4. Provides expert guidelines to help schools more effectively identify students in need of behavioral health resources

5. Helps ensure equity in the distribution of the Consortium's resources (Coordinated Community Supports Partnership Fund)

The Blueprint's Maryland Consortium on Coordinated Community Supports: Coordinate the delivery of evidence-based, culturally competent mental and behavioral health services to Maryland students, in a manner that partners with providers in the surrounding community and leverages to the fullest extent possible federal and public funding.

HB265 Consultant members:

- 1. ONE MEMBER OF THE MARYLAND OPTOMETRIC ASSOCIATION
- 2. ONE MEMBER OF THE STATE TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY ADVISORY BOARD
- 3. ONE MEMBER OF THE MARYLAND ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL HEALTH NURSES
- 4. ONE MEMBER OF THE DIVISION OF EARLY INTERVENTION AND SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES IN THE DEPARTMENT
- 5. ONE MEMBER OF THE MARYLAND ACADEMY OF AUDIOLOGY
- 6. ONE MEMBER OF THE MARYLAND ASSOCIATION OF NONPUBLIC SPECIAL EDUCATION FACILITIES
- 7. ONE EXPERT IN EARLY CHILDHOOD TRAUMA AND DEVELOPMENT; AND
- 8. ONE EXPERT ON DATA PROTECTION;
- 9. ANY OTHER INDIVUAL SELECTED BY THE CHAIR

THE CONSORTIUM CONSISTS OF THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS:

(1) THE SECRETARY OF HEALTH, OR THE SECRETARY'S DESIGNEE;

- (2) THE SECRETARY OF HUMAN SERVICES, OR THE SECRETARY'S DESIGNEE;
- (3) THE SECRETARY OF JUVENILE SERVICES, OR THE SECRETARY'S DESIGNEE;
- (4) THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS, OR THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT'S DESIGNEE;
- (5) THE CHAIR OF THE COMMISSION, OR THE CHAIR'S DESIGNEE;
- (6) THE DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SCHOOLS IN THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, OR THE DIRECTOR'S DESIGNEE;
- (7) ONE MEMBER OF THE MARYLAND COUNCIL ON ADVANCEMENT OF SCHOOL– BASED HEALTH CENTERS, APPOINTED BY THE CHAIR OF THE COUNCIL;
- (8) ONE COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS, DESIGNATED BY THE PUBLIC SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS ASSOCIATION OF MARYLAND;
- (9) ONE MEMBER OF A COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION, DESIGNATED BY THE MARYLAND ASSOCIATION OF BOARDS OF EDUCATION;

- (10) ONE TEACHER WHO IS TEACHING IN THE STATE, DESIGNATED BY THE MARYLAND STATE EDUCATION ASSOCIATION;
- (11) ONE SOCIAL WORKER PRACTICING AT A SCHOOL IN THE STATE, DESIGNATED BY THE MARYLAND CHAPTER OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF SOCIAL WORKERS;
- (12) ONE PSYCHOLOGIST PRACTICING IN A SCHOOL IN THE STATE, DESIGNATED BY THE MARYLAND SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGISTS ASSOCIATION;
- (13) ONE REPRESENTATIVE OF NONPROFIT HOSPITALS, DESIGNATED BY THE MARYLAND HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION;
- (14) THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR:
- (I) ONE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE COMMUNITY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH COMMUNITY WITH EXPERTISE IN TELEHEALTH;
- (II) ONE REPRESENTATIVE OF LOCAL DEPARTMENTS OF SOCIAL SERVICES;
- (III) ONE REPRESENTATIVE OF LOCAL DEPARTMENTS OF HEALTH; AND
- (15) THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS APPOINTED JOINTLY BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE AND THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE:
- (I) ONE INDIVIDUAL WITH EXPERTISE IN CREATING A POSITIVE CLASSROOM ENVIRONMENT
- (II) ONE INDIVIDUAL WITH EXPERTISE IN EQUITY IN EDUCATION; AND
- (III) TWO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, APPOINTED BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

(I) THE NATIONAL CENTER FOR SCHOOL MENTAL HEALTH SHALL PROVIDE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.

Coordinated Community Supports Partnership Fund:(I) \$25,000,000 IN FISCAL YEAR 2022; (II) \$50,000,000 IN FISCAL YEAR 2023; (III) \$75,000,000 IN FISCAL YEAR 2024; (IV) \$100,000,000 IN FISCAL YEAR 2025; AND (V) \$125,000,000 IN FISCAL YEAR 2026 AND EACH FISCAL YEAR THEREAFTER

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Visual Comparison of Maryland Parent Student Health Questionnaire at Registration

HCPSS Student Health Questionnaire

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08/25/2021		
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Student Medical Conditions:

Please list known medical conditions	<u> </u>
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BALTIMORE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS Towson, Maryland 21204

BALTIMORE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Baltimore, Maryland 21212

New S	tudent	Heal	th History			
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ast school your child attended?				DOB:		
as your child traveled or resided outside of the U.S. in	n the past	year?	Yes No			
f yes, list countries:						
Where do you usuall	y take you	ır child	for routine medical	care?		
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Does your child require any special health treatments of	or procedu	ires (e	g. tube feeding or	catheteriza	tion)? Yes N	0
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Prematurity						
Birth defect						
Immunity problems						
Bleeding problems						
Lead poisoning						
Sickle Cell Disease						
Diabetes						
Anaphylaxis						
Seasonal allergies						
Food allergies						
Medication/Drug allergies						
Mental health/emotional problems like depression	n					
ADHD/ADD						_
Concussion or traumatic brain injury						_
Migraines Learning problems/disabilities						
Seizures Speech problems						
Ear or hearing problems						
Eye or vision problems						
Dental problems						
Asthma or breathing problems						
Heart problems						
Stomach problems						
Bowel problems						
Bladder problems						
Musculoskeletal problem (including cerebral						
palsy)						
Limited physical activity						
Other:						
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STUDENT WHOLENESS INVENTORY (OPTIONAL)

Please check all items below that apply to the student

(NOTE: This section is optional but assists City Schools in providing needed supports/services).

Student enjoys participating in extracurricular and enrich-	Student has a history of drug/alcohol use
ment activities (i.e., student government, academic clubs, debate team, culture clubs, etc.)	Student has asthma and/or other medical concerns
Student feels unsafe/alienated/disenfranchised	Student has hearing problems
Student has a history of abuse/victimization	Student has long-term use of medication
Student has a strong interest/skill in	Student has vision problems
sports/athletics/physical activities	Student has/had delayed speech/language
Student has antisocial/delinquent behaviors	Student has/is receiving occupational therapy
Student has experienced the death of a	Student has/is receiving speech/language therapy
parent/guardian and/or sibling	Student is not fully toilet trained
Student has mental health difficulties	Student has a parent or sibling receiving special education
Student has/had a serious trauma exposure and/or injury	services
Student is/was in a gang	Student has a parent/guardian that has a chronic illness or is
Student could benefit from additional testing	disabled
regarding cognitive development	Student has a sibling with learning difficulties
Student has a strong interest/skill in arts-based programming	Student has family members in a gang
(i.e., dance, film, music, theatre, visual arts, etc.)	Student is a parenting teen
Student has experienced academic failure/frustration	Student is/was in foster care
Student had a birth weight of six pounds or less	Other considerations
Student had exposure to lead	



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Medical/Emergency Information

In case of emergency, if neither parent/gaurdian can be reached, an Emergency Contact will be called.

Emergency Contact #1 Include Contact? Yes No		
Emergency Contact #2 Include Contact? Yes No		
Medical Concerns	Medication(s)	
Optional. Allergies, Asthma, Diabetes, etc.	Øptional.	li li

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Part 5 - Health & Immunization Information:
Is immunization record complete? \Box Yes \Box No
DHMD 896 Form Completed/Approved by School Nurse (Name/Date:)
Temporary Approval of record by other School Official (Name/Date:) As required by law for all students entering MD public schools for the first time, has the child received a
physical exam in the past 9 months? Yes No If "NO", please list reason: finances,
lack of access, other (please indicate:)
Please list any health concerns (medications, allergies, medical conditions, etc)

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MEDICAL INFORMATION:		
Health Insurance? □ Yes	🗆 No	
Primary Care Physician:		Telephone:
Date of Last Physical:		Immunizations Complete? 🛛 Yes 🛛 N
Medications at school:	🗆 No	PS 109 MUST be completed for medications.
Any Medical Concerns if appropri	ate:	

Talbot

Doctor Name/Phone:			Dentist Name/Phone:
		Health I	nformation
List medications taken regularly	at home	at school	
List any life-threatening allergies			



CONFIDENTIAL HEALTH INFORMATION

In case of an emergency, the school staff will contact 911. Every attempt will be made to contact a parent, a guardian, or a designated emergency contact.

STUDENT II	FORMATION	ergeney contacti	
Last: First: Middle:	Date of Birth:	Gender G	Grade
School Name:	·		
Does the student have health insurance?	Does the student have dental	insurance?	
Please check the following health concerns that may impact the student's en	LTH CONCERNS ucational day. This information may have any medical concerns	be shared with FCPS staff as	appropriate.
ADD/ADHD	Cancer		
allergies (choose all that apply)	diabetes		
foods	hearing problems	hearing aid(s)	
bee sting/insect bite	heart problems		
medicines	mental health diagnosis	i	
pesticides/chemicals*	physical disability		
🗌 other	seizures		
asthma: Has the student experienced an asthma episode in	vision problems		
the past 12 months? Yes No	glasses cont		
blood disorder	other		
This information is a change in he	alth condition from the last s	chool year	
*FCPS uses the Integrated Pest management programs to identify and co parents/guardians of all students 24 hours before pesticides are to be ap must notify only those parents, guardians or staff who have filed a writte updated every school year. See the FCPS Calendar Handbook for details,	lied inside the school building or n request for notification; forms a	on the grounds. Middle an	nd high schools
MEDI	ATIONS		
List all medications and dosages y	our child receives on a routine ba	asis	
Medications are not required at school If the student requires over-the-counter or prescription medications or tra- submit the appropriate authorization form(s). Obtain forms from the head Medications:	th staff at your child's school or a		
I hereby give authorization and consent to the school, in the event that I emergency transportation to a healthcare facility. I understand and aut furnished to the school, will be shared with FCPS/Frederick County Health medical/educational purpose for accessing such medical records and info	orize that my child's medical reco Department staff and emergency	ords or other medical inform	mation,
Parent/Guardian name (please print):	Primar	Contact Ph#	
Signature of Parent / Guardian:		Date	

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	Documentation Required for Enro	ollment
Do you have verification of reside	ency? (Must be current within 3 months) [Yes 🗌 No
Gas, Electric, Water, Oil, Sev	ver Bill	Property Tax Bill/Statement
Do you have verification of age?	Yes No (Birth Certificate Preferred)
o you have the following Health	n Related Documents? 🗌 Yes 🗌 No	
Immunization Certificate	Physical Examination Record	Blood Lead Testing Certificate Pre-K, K and 1 st Grade
any box is marked "no", plea	ise request assistance from school staf fore a child may attend/enroll in school.	f. Maryland Law requires that you provide
	Carroll	
of of Immunization Compliance: (Initia	l next to document received) nic Record or Physician's Office Record	Other State Official Immunization Record

ENROLLMENT INFORMATION FOR PARENTS/GUARDIANS

If you are enrolling your student in Wicomico County Public Schools for the first time, please complete the following forms:

- Student Personal Data and Enrollment Information Form
- Maryland Schools Record of Physical Examination
- Personal Race and Ethnicity Form
- PreK3 or PreK 4 Application (if applicable)
- PreKindergarten Experience Form (PreK3 Kindergarten)
- Survey of Children (PreK3 Kindergarten only)
- Judy Center Partnership Center Form (Beaver Run and Pemberton PreK3 Kindergarten only)