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**Committee:** Senate Finance Committee

**Bill Number:** Senate Bill 674 - Physician Assistants - Parity With Other Health Care Practitioners (Physician Assistant Parity Act of 2023)

**Hearing Date:** March 14, 2023

**Position:** Support

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The Maryland Dental Action Coalition (MDAC) supports *Senate Bill 674 - Physician Assistants - Parity With Other Health Care Practitioners (Physician Assistant Parity Act of 2023)*.

Dentists and dental hygienists are required to consult with a patient's care team before treating the patient in case there is a change in the patient's medical condition. A licensed physician assistant has the knowledge and expertise necessary to carry out the consult. We support ensuring our colleagues in other health professions can practice to the full extent of their education and training.

We ask for a favorable report on this bill. If we can provide any additional information, please contact Robyn Elliott at [relliott@policypartners.net](mailto:relliott@policypartners.net) or (443) 926-3443.

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