

Committee:	House Health and Government Operations Committee
Bill Title:	Senate Bill 678 - Health Insurance - Reimbursement for Services Rendered by a
	Pharmacist
Hearing Date:	March 23, 2023
Position:	Support

The Maryland Affiliate of the American College of Nurse-Midwives (ACNM) supports *Senate Bill* 678 - Health Insurance - Reimbursement for Services Rendered by a Pharmacist. This bill requires that all services rendered by a licensed pharmacist within the pharmacist's lawful scope of practice, rather than only certain services, be reimbursed.

Pharmacists play a vital role in providing essential health care services to patients, and it is important that they are appropriately valued for their contributions. Reimbursement for pharmacists providing vaccinations and prescribing contraception is a crucial element of providing quality healthcare. Pharmacists need to be adequately reimbursed for the services they provide. The bill would help to ensure that pharmacists are able to adequately provide these services to the public and would help to improve the overall quality of health care in the state. Furthermore, it would help to incentivize pharmacists to continue providing these services, thus contributing to the health and wellbeing of patients.

We ask for a favorable report. If we can provide any further assistance, please contact Michael Paddy at mpaddy@policypartners.net.