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**House Bill 1333 – Maryland Commission on Health Equity –
Membership and Statewide Health Equity Plan**

Support

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The Maryland Managed Care Organization Association (MMCOA), which is comprised of all nine MCOs that serve Medicaid, is pleased to support House Bill 1333 – Maryland Commission on Health Equity – Membership and Statewide Health Equity Plan

House Bill 1333 creates the governance structure for the development and monitoring of Maryland’s health equity plan and was introduced to advance the next phase of the state’s Total Cost of Care Waiver.

Importantly, the Commission is inclusive of a range of healthcare stakeholders from both public and private organizations, including representation from the MCOs.

Maryland’s MCOs support efforts by the state to create a culture of equity in healthcare. Maryland is moving forward with these efforts through the early stages of preparation to apply for the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) States Advancing All-Payer Health Equity Approaches and Development (AHEAD) model. House Bill 1333 is an important addition in this effort.

We urge a favorable report on House Bill 1333.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on this important legislation.

Please contact Joe Winn, Executive Director of MMCOA, with any questions regarding this testimony at jwinn@marylandmco.org.