

Senate Bill 367

MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM: SUPPORTIVE HOUSING AND HEALTH SERVICES

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SB0367: BILL IN SUPPORT OF SUPPORTIVE HOUSING



MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Provides health care through
Medicaid and other programs to
those in need, particularly low-
income residents



SUPPORTIVE HOUSING

Maximizes Medicaid funding by
connecting people to various
housing supports in order to
better coordinate health care
for residents



BILL CONTEXT: HOUSING FIRST

- 7,144 Marylanders experienced homelessness in 2018. (National Alliance to End Homelessness)
- Over 50% of those unhoused in Maryland were African American.
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- Nine out of top fourteen causes of deaths in Maryland show a mortality disparity between African Americans and Whites. (Baquet et. al., 2015)

SUPPORTIVE HOUSING AS A SOLUTION

- Research shows that access to stable, quality housing improves health outcomes and health equity
- Several counties in Maryland are already piloting supportive housing programs, and several states are also piloting similar programs to improve health outcomes
- Supportive housing can coordinate care, using the Housing First model to provide wraparound services and improve transitions to stable housing

Thank You

Please support Senate Bill 367 so we can improve health outcomes and equity for residents in Maryland, statewide, together.



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