



**Committee:** House Health and Government Operations Committee

**Bill Number:** House Bill 848 – Health Insurance – Adverse Decisions – Reporting and Examinations

**Hearing Date:** February 13, 2025

**Position:** Support with Amendment

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The Maryland Assembly on School-Based Health Centers (MASBHC) strongly supports *House Bill 848 – Health Insurance – Adverse Decisions – Reporting and Examinations*. The bill requires carriers to submit in-depth reports about the causes behind growth in adverse decisions reach certain thresholds.

There are almost 90 school-based health centers providing primary and behavioral health services to students in high-poverty areas across Maryland. Some school-based health centers also provide dental services. Most students served by school-based health centers are uninsured or covered by Medicaid. School-based health centers spend tremendous resources navigating billing issues with Medicaid. We do not believe managed care organizations are included in the bill. We would appreciate consideration of adding Medicaid and managed care organizations to the legislation.

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