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The Honorable Joseline A. Peña-Melnyk
Chair, House Health and Government Operations Committee
241 House Office Building
Annapolis, MD 21401-1991

RE: Senate Bill (SB) 60 – Maryland Medical Assistance Program and Health Insurance – Required Coverage for Calcium Score Testing – Letter of Support as Amended

Dear Chair Peña-Melnyk and Committee Members:

The Maryland Department of Health (Department) respectfully submits this letter of support as amended for SB 60 – Maryland Medical Assistance Program and Health Insurance – Required Coverage for Calcium Score Testing.

As amended, SB 60 would require the Medical Assistance Program, including managed care organizations, and commercial insurers to provide coverage for calcium score testing – also known as coronary artery calcium (CAC) scoring – for individuals based upon guidelines issued by the American College of Cardiology.

The Department supports the amendments to SB 60 that reflect the importance of and reliance on clinical standards regarding CAC scoring. Evidence for calcium score testing is varied depending on clinical factors. Therefore, the Department supports following American College of Cardiology guidelines when determining coverage policies for its Medicaid participants.

If you would like to discuss this further, please do not hesitate to contact Sarah Case-Herron, Director of Governmental Affairs at sarah.case-herron@maryland.gov

Sincerely,

Ryan B. Moran, DrPH, MHSA
Acting Secretary