

To:House Rules and Executive Nominations CommitteeBill:House Bill 927 – General Assembly – Fiscal Notes – Impact of Reduction in Health and<br/>Community Support ServiceDate:March 3, 2025Position:Favorable

Our organizations strongly support *House Bill 927 – General Assembly – Fiscal Notes – Impact of Reduction in Health and Community Services.* If any future legislation could result in a reduction in health and community support service programs under the Maryland Department of Health, the fiscal note would have to include the impact on the health and wellbeing on Maryland communities.

We understand that Maryland is facing a fiscal crisis, and state officials will need to make difficult decisions about budget reductions. We appreciate the care and consideration by the Administration of Governor Moore and the Maryland General Assembly in safeguarding essential health programs throughout the budget process.

We support House Bill 927 because it will help state officials evaluate the impact of bills, such as the budget and the Budget Reconciliation and Financing Act, in future legislative sessions. We believe that more information is always helpful in any decision-making process.

We ask for a favorable report on House Bill 927. If we can provide any further information, please contact Robyn Elliott at <u>relliott@policypartners.net</u>.

American College of Nurse Midwives – Maryland
Disabilities Rights Maryland
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Health Care for the Homeless
Maryland Academy of Physician Assistants
Maryland Addictions Directors Council
Maryland Assembly on School-Based Health Care
Maryland Association for the Treatment of Opioid Dependence
Maryland Community Health System
Maryland Dental Action Coalition
Maryland Occupational Therapy Association
Moveable Feast
National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse of Maryland
Recovery Network
The Coordinating Center