



Committee: Senate Education, Energy, and the Environment Committee

Bill: Senate Bill 532 – Higher Education Institutions – Over-the-Counter Contraception – Access and Reporting

Hearing Date: March 11, 2026

Position: Support

The Maryland Affiliate of the American College of Nurse Midwives (ACNM) supports *Senate Bill 532 – Over-the-Counter Contraception – Access and Reporting*. Maryland law already requires public higher education institutions and community colleges to provide access to over-the-counter contraception on campus. The bill clarifies several program requirements, including ensuring all campuses submit data to the Maryland Higher Education Commission (MHEC) on an annual basis. ACNM supports the legislation because access to over-the-counter contraception can be transformative for students, as they are more likely to face challenges in obtaining transportation or seeing a regular clinical provider.ⁱ

We ask for a favorable report on this legislation. If we can provide any further information, please contact Robyn Elliott at relliott@policypartners.net or (443) 926-3443.

ⁱ <https://www.naspa.org/expand-access-to-ec>