



## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

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The Honorable Pamela Beidle  
Chair, Senate Finance Committee  
3 East Miller Senate Office Building  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401-1991

Re: SB 120 Health Insurance-Required Benefits for Dental Preventive Care-Frequency Limitation Interval (Healthy Moms and Family Smiles Act)- Dental Board- Letter of Support

Dear Chair Beidle and Committee Members:

The Maryland State Board of Dental Examiners respectfully submits this letter of support for SB 120 Health Insurance-Required Benefits for Dental Preventive Care-Frequency Limitation Interval (Healthy Moms and Family Smiles Act). The bill decreases the frequency limitation on dental preventive care from 120 days to 90 days during a plan year. Dental preventive care is essential in minimizing or eliminating tooth decay, gum disease, and caries. Reducing the time limitation will allow dentists to treat patients in a timelier manner, resulting in better oral health.

I hope that this information is helpful. If you would like to discuss this further, please contact me at 202-997-2606; [chiyo.alie@maryland.gov](mailto:chiyo.alie@maryland.gov).

The opinion of the Maryland State Board of Dental Examiners expressed in this letter of support does not necessarily reflect that of the Department of Health or the administration.

Sincerely,  
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