



Committee: Senate Finance Committee

Bill: Senate Bil 563 - Facilities – Confidentiality of Medical Records – Crisis
Pregnancy
Clinics

Hearing Date: February 19, 2026

Position: Support

The Maryland Affiliate of the American College of Nurse Midwives (ACNM) supports *Senate Bill 563 – Facilities – Confidentiality of Medical Records – Crisis Pregnancy Centers*. The bill's intent is to ensure that health information collected by crisis pregnancy centers is kept confidential, just as state law requires clinical providers to keep healthcare records confidential. Information about pregnancy status should be confidential, given the legal risk created by states seeking to impose criminal, civil, and administrative penalties on people seeking abortion care and their providers.

We understand that the sponsor is considering clarifying amendments. We would be pleased to work with the sponsor and stakeholders on those amendments. If we can provide any additional information, please contact Robyn Elliott at relliott@policypartners.net or (443) 926-3443.