



Committee: House Health Committee

Bill: Senate Bill 394 – Public Health - Expedited Partner Therapy - Bacterial Vaginosis

Hearing Date: March 25, 2026

Position: Support

The Maryland Affiliate of the American College of Nurse Midwives (ACNM) strongly supports *Senate Bill 394 - Public Health - Expedited Partner Therapy - Bacterial Vaginosis*. The bill adds bacterial vaginosis to Maryland’s expedited partner therapy law. ACNM supports this legislation as it aligns Maryland’s law with a recent recommendation from the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecologists.ⁱ Bacterial vaginosis is the most common vaginal infection of women of child bearing age.ⁱⁱ With expedited partner therapy, clinicians can help protect their patients from becoming reinfected from their partners.

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

ⁱ <https://www.acog.org/news/news-releases/2025/10/acog-recommends-concurrent-sexual-partner-treatment-recurrent-bacterial-vaginosis-first-time/>

ⁱⁱ <https://health.maryland.gov/phpa/idehashreddocuments/bv.pdf>