



In this document, we'll highlight upcoming hearings, a list of current priorities and highlights, and then provide a full list of the bills being monitored by CBH.

Upcoming Hearings

- February 18: CBH will be testifying on at least four bills in Senate Finance, one in House Health & Government Operations.
- February 20: Medicaid budget in House Appropriations, and BHA budget in Senate's Budget & Tax.
- February 24: Medicaid budget in Senate's Budget & Tax.

Priorities and Highlights

- HSCRC and community investment
 - SB 42: In coalition with other health care providers, CBH sought amendments to reporting language (testimony linked in billing tracker).
- Public behavioral health system
 - SB192/HB152 (BRFA): CBH seeks the full funding of the mandated 4% rate increase.
 - SB453/HB374: CBH supports bill requiring BHA to identify and publish child service providers (testimony linked in billing tracker).
 - SB502: CBH supports bill that would allow telehealth for mental health services in home settings (testimony linked in billing tracker).
 - -/HB1461: CBH opposes bill to limit OMHC medical directors to psychiatrists
- Commercial insurance and behavioral health coverage
 - SB113: CBH seeks to address deemed credentialing (testimony linked in billing tracker).
 - SB334/HB455: CBH supports Parity Coalition bill to improve MIA oversight and reporting of parity compliance.

Member Discussion Items

Please review the linked bills in the tracking document to better understand key legislation:

- [SB519](#), [SB520](#), [SB521](#), [SB522](#): CBH will discuss the four McCray bills (some testimony linked in billing tracker).
- [SB539](#)/HB839: CBH will discuss proposed expansion of paid leave with employee/employer shared cost. Please see discussion factsheet.
- [SB774](#)/HB1169: CBH will discuss bill mandating HSCRC creation of a community benefit workgroup.
- [SB952](#)/HB1359: CBH will evaluate impact of modifications to prohibition on fail-first protocols.
- [SB963](#)/HB609: CBH will evaluate impact of OIG legislation.
- -/[HB1121](#): CBH solicits member feedback on bill to create public registry and referral mechanism for community behavioral health programs.

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Senate	House	Title	Bill Purpose	Sponsor	Committee	Hearing Date	CBH Position	Status
SB 42	-	Health Services Cost Review Commission - Duties and Reports - Revisions	Altering the info included in annual report required to be submitted; repealing the requirement that the Commission annually publish certain acute care hospital charges; authorizing the Commission to assist in the implementation of federally approved model programs	MDH	FIN	1/15 @ 1 PM	FWA - CBH Amendments	Priority
SB103	HB 259	Health Occupations - Diagnostic Evaluation and Treatment of Patients - Disciplinary Actions (The Patient's Access to Integrative Healthcare Act of 2020)	Prohibiting a health occupations board from disciplining a health care practitioner because of the practitioner's use of a certain diagnostic evaluation or treatment of a patient; authorizing a health occupations board to discipline a certain health care practitioner if the diagnostic testing, or treatment has a significant safety risk greater than conventional methods and that the risk is not outweighed by potential benefits	Eckardt	EHE	1/21 @ 1:30 PM	Monitor	
-	-			Szeliga	HGO	2/4 @ 1 PM		
SB 106	-	Health Care Facilities - Certificate of Need - Exception for State-Owned Facilities	Altering the definition of "health care facility" to exempt State-owned facilities from the requirement that a health care facility have a certificate of need issued by the Maryland Health Care Commission	MDH	FIN	-	Monitor	UNFAV
SB113	-	Health Insurance - Provider Panels - Definitions of Provider and Health Care Services	Defining the term "health care services" and altering the definition of "provider" for purposes of certain provisions of law governing provider panels of certain health insurance carriers.	MIA	FIN	1/15 @ 1 PM	Support - CBH Testimony	Priority

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SB 124	HB 196	Maryland Health Benefit Exchange - Establishment of a State-Based Health Insurance Subsidies Program	Requiring the Maryland Health Benefit Exchange to implement a State-Based Health Insurance Subsidies Program to provide a means for individuals to reduce the amount they pay for health benefit plans in the individual market; requiring that a certain assessment of health care providers be used to fund the State Reinsurance Program and the State-Based Health Insurance Subsidies Program; requiring the Maryland Health Benefit Exchange Board to make a certain determination	Feldman	FIN	2/5 @ 2 PM	Monitor	
				Pena-Melnyk	HGO	2/20 @ 1 PM		
SB 192	HB 152	Budget Reconciliation and Financing Act of 2020	Authorizing the distribution and payment of certain revenue in certain fiscal years; repealing a requirement that the State appropriate money for certain purposes; etc.	Admin	B&T	2/26	Oppose Rate Cuts	
SB 245	HB 527	Health Occupations - Social Workers - Scope of Practice, Supervision, and Application Decision Appeal Process	Altering the definition of "practice social work" to include counseling for alcohol and drug use and addictive behaviors; requiring the State Board of Social Work Examiners to approve licensees approved to engage in independent practice to provide supervision	West	EHE	1/30 @ 1 PM	Monitor	Remove?
				Cullison	HGO	2/6 @ 1 PM		
SB 260	HB 712	Labor and Employment - Leave With Pay - Bereavement Leave (Family Bereavement Act)	Authorizing employees of certain employers to use certain leave with pay for bereavement leave in the event of the death of an immediate family member or a pet of the employee	Washington	FIN	2/13 @ 1 PM	Monitor	
				Boyce	EM	2/25 @ 1 PM		

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SB 324	-	Veterans - Behavioral Health Services - Mental Health First Aid	Requiring that the behavioral health services for which the Maryland Department of Health provides service coordination for veterans under certain provisions of law include mental health first aid; requiring that mental health first aid consist of training for veterans and the immediate family members of veterans on how to identify and respond to signs of mental illness and substance use disorders	Simonaire	FIN	2/4 @ 1 PM	Monitor	
SB 334	HB 455	Health Insurance - Coverage for Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Benefits - Treatment Criteria	Requiring carriers to submit a report to demonstrate compliance with the federal Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act	Augustine	FIN	2/19 @ 1 PM	Support	Priority
				Kelly	HGO	2/20 @ 1 PM		
SB 367	HB 277	State Department of Education - Guidelines on Trauma-Informed Approach	Establishing the Trauma-Informed Schools Initiative in the State Department of Education to expand the use of the trauma-informed approach and intensively train schools on becoming trauma-informed schools; requiring the Department to develop and distribute certain guidelines and to develop a website on the trauma informed approach; requiring, on or before July 1, 2020, the Department to select one school each from certain areas to receive intensive training on the trauma-informed approach	Washington	EHE	3/3 @ 1 PM	Monitor	
				Wilkins	W&M	2/5 @ 2 PM		
SB 402	HB 448	Health Care Practitioners - Telehealth	Authorizing certain health care practitioners to establish a practitioner-patient relationship through asynchronous interactions	Kagan	EHE	1/30 @ 1 PM	Monitor	
				Rosenberg	HGO	2/18 @ 1 PM		

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SB 404	HB 908	Labor and Employment - Maryland Healthy Working Families Act - Verification	Altering the circumstances under which an employer is authorized to require an employee who uses certain sick and safe leave to provide verification that the leave was used appropriately; and authorizing certain employers to deny a certain request to take certain sick and safe leave under certain circumstances	Carozza	FIN	2/20 @ 1 PM	Monitor	
				Adams	EM	2/25 @ 1 PM		
SB 441	HB 332	Mental Health - Emergency Facilities List - Comprehensive Crisis Response Centers, Crisis Stabilization Centers, and Crisis Treatment Centers	Providing that the list of emergency facilities the Maryland Department of Health is required to publish may include comprehensive crisis response centers, crisis stabilization centers, and crisis treatment centers	Hayes	FIN	2/18 @ 1 PM	Monitor	
				Bagnall	HGO	2/12 @ 1 PM		
SB 449	-	Labor and Employment - Direct Care Workforce Innovation Program	Establishing the Direct Care Workforce Innovation Program in the Division of Workforce Development and Adult Learning within the Maryland Department of Labor; requiring the Division to provide certain matching grants to certain entities to create and expand on successful recruitment and retention strategies that address certain barriers to increasing the population of direct care workers; requiring the Division to issue a request for certain applications from certain entities for certain matching grants each year	Guzzone	FIN and B&T	2/27 @ 1 PM	Monitor	
SB 453	HB 374	Behavioral Health Administration - Children With Mental Disorders - List of Available Services	Requiring BHA to maintain an updated list of the service categories in psychiatric rehabilitation, therapeutic, care coordination, and home health aide services	Pinsky	FIN	2/18 @ 1 PM	Support - CBH Testimony	
				Barron	HGO	2/5 @ 1 PM		

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SB 484	HB1165	Health Insurance - Provider Panels - Coverage for Nonparticipating Providers	requiring each carrier to inform members and beneficiaries in a certain manner of the right to request a referral to a specialist or nonphysician specialist who is not part of the carrier's provider panel; requiring, under certain circumstances, certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations to cover certain mental health or substance use disorder services provided to a member by a nonparticipating provider at a certain cost	Klausmeier	FIN	2/26 @ 1 PM	Monitor	
				Sample-Hughes	HGO	2/20 @ 1 PM		
SB 501	HB0998	Maryland Loan Assistance Repayment Program for Physicians and Physician Assistants - Administration and Funding	Transferring oversight of the Maryland Loan Assistance Repayment Program for Physicians and Physician Assistants from the Office of Student Financial Assistance within the Maryland Higher Education Commission to the Maryland Department of Health; requiring the Department, by October 1, 2021, and each October 1 thereafter, to submit a report to the General Assembly on the number of eligible physicians and physician assistants who applied for and participated in the Program that includes certain information	Griffith	EHE	2/13 @ 1 PM	Monitor	
				Sample-Hughes	HGO	2/25 @ 1 PM		
SB 502	-	Health Insurance - Telehealth - Delivery of Mental Health Services - Coverage for Home Settings	Requiring the Maryland Medical Assistance Program to provide, subject to a certain limitation, mental health services appropriately delivered through telehealth to a patient in the patient's home setting; altering the definition of telehealth as it applies to certain provisions of law governing coverage of telehealth by certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations to include the delivery of mental health care services to a patient in a certain setting	Hershey	FIN	2/19 @ 1 PM	Favorable with Amendment - CBH Testimony	Priority

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SB 519	-	Public Health - Behavioral Health Programs and Health Care Facilities - Safety Plan	Requiring that the regulations adopted by the Behavioral Health Administration under certain provisions of law governing requirements for the licensure of behavioral health programs include a requirement that a behavioral health program establish and implement a safety plan for the safety of the individuals served by and the community surrounding the behavioral health program before being issued a license	McCray	FIN	2/18 @ 1 PM	Oppose	Priority
SB 520		Behavioral Health Programs – Opioid Treatment Services – Limitation on Licenses	Prohibiting the Behavioral Health Administration from approving more than five licenses in each county for behavioral health programs that provide opioid treatment services; and authorizing the Administration to approve licenses for certain behavioral health programs in a county above a certain amount if the Administration is authorized by legislation passed by the General Assembly	McCray	FIN	2/18 @ 1 PM	Oppose	Priority
SB 521		Behavioral Health Programs – Opioid Treatment Services – Medical Director	Requiring each opioid treatment services program to be under the direction of at least one on-site medical director; requiring the medical director to be on-site at the opioid treatment services program at least 20 hours per week; and prohibiting opioid treatment services programs from satisfying certain requirements through telehealth.	McCray	FIN	2/18 @ 1 PM	TBD	Priority
SB 522		Behavioral Health Programs – Licensing and Fees	Providing the term of a license issued to a behavioral health program may not exceed 3 years; providing that a certain license expires at the end of the term of the license unless the license is renewed; requiring the Behavioral Health Administration to collect reasonable fees for the costs associated with the issuance of licenses; establishing the Behavioral Health Program Grant Program to award grants to local areas to enhance safety and improve programs and make improvements to communities where certain programs are located	McCray	FIN	2/18 @ 1 PM	Oppose - CBH Testimony	Priority

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SB 539	HB 839	Labor and Employment – Family and Medical Leave Insurance Program – Establishment	Establishing the Family and Medical Leave Insurance Program to provide temporary benefits to a covered individual who is taking leave from employment; establishing the Family and Medical Leave Insurance Fund; requiring, beginning January 1, 2021, certain employees, employers, and self-employed individuals to pay certain contributions; authorizing, beginning July 1, 2022, a covered individual taking certain leave from employment to submit a claim for benefits; authorizing the establishment of private employer plans	Hayes	FIN	2/27 @ 1 PM	TBD	Priority
				Valderrama	EM	2/25 @ 1 PM		
SB 541	HB 317	Mental Health – Involuntary Admissions – Procedures	Authorizing a facility or Veterans' Administration hospital to take an individual who is involuntarily admitted under certain circumstances into confinement on observation status; requiring an individual confined on observation status to be examined within 24 hours by a physician, psychologist, or psychiatric nurse practitioner; requiring that certain regulations require that an impartial hearing officer receive testimony from the physician, psychologist, or psychiatric nurse practitioner who examined the confined individual	Eckardt	FIN	2/18 @ 1 PM	Monitor	
				K. Young	HGO	2/12 @ 1 PM		
SB 576	HB 691	Health Occupations – Nurse Practitioners – Certifications of Competency and Incapacity	Altering a requirement that a petition for guardianship of a disabled person include certain signed and verified certificates of competency by providing that the certificates may be signed and verified by a nurse practitioner and certain other health care practitioners; altering the requirements for the certification of a patient's incapacity to make an informed decision regarding treatment to allow the second individual making the certification to be a nurse practitioner, rather than a second physician	Eckardt	FIN	2/13 @ 1 PM	Monitor	
				Cullison	HGO	3/3 @ 1 Pm		

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SB 600		Health Insurance - Reimbursement of Primary Care Providers - Bonus Payments - Applicability	Defining the term "primary care provider" for purposes of provisions of law requiring health insurance carriers to pay to certain individuals bonus payments for services provided under certain circumstances; and requiring a carrier to pay a bonus to primary care providers for services provided in nonhospital settings	Reilly	FIN	2/26 @ 1 PM	Monitor	
SB 611	HB 782	Health – Mental and Emotional Disorders - Consent (Mental Health Access Initiative)	Providing that all minors, rather than only minors who are 16 years old or older, have the same capacity as an adult to consent to consultation, diagnosis, and treatment of a mental or emotional disorder by a health care provider or clinic; and providing that a health care provider may decide to provide certain information to a certain parent, guardian, or custodian under certain provisions of law unless the health care provider believes that the disclosure will lead to harm to the minor or deter the minor from seeking care.	Augustine	FIN	2/18 @ 1 PM	Monitor	
				Bagnall	HGO	2/26 @ 1 PM		
SB 624	HB1140	Health - Mobile Response and Stabilization System for Children and Families in Maryland - Study	Requiring the Maryland Department of Health and the Governor's Commission to Study Mental and Behavioral Health in Maryland jointly to take actions in order to implement a comprehensive mobile response and stabilization system for children and families in the State; and requiring the Department and the Commission jointly to submit their findings and recommendations to the General Assembly on or before December 1, 2020.	Benson	FIN	2/18 @ 1 PM	Monitor	
				Charles	HGO	-		
SB 634	-	Maryland Medical Assistance Program - Provision of School Psychology Services	Requiring the Maryland Medical Assistance Program to provide school psychology services provided by a school psychologist who is certified by the State Department of Education to practice school psychology.	Waldstreicher	FIN	3/6 @ 1 PM	Monitor	

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SB 696	HB1071	Public Health - Substance-Related Disorder Services (Maryland Patient Protection and Treatment Ethics Act)	Requiring marketing materials published by a behavioral health program to provide information about treatment services; prohibiting a health care practitioner from knowingly and willfully making certain statements; prohibiting a practitioner from knowingly making misleading statements; requiring a behavioral health program to include a certain statement in advertising	Klausmeier	FIN	3/10 @ 1 PM	Monitor	
				Pippy	HGO	2/26 @ 1 PM		
SB 774	HB1169	Hospitals - Community Benefits	Requiring the HSCRC to establish a Community Benefit Reporting Workgroup; requiring the Commission to adopt regulations relating to the community health needs of nonprofit hospitals and reporting by nonprofit hospitals regarding community health needs and benefits provided by the hospital; requiring the Commission, on or before October 1, 2020, to issue a certain report, take certain other actions, and submit a copy of a certain report to certain committees of the General Assembly	Kelley	FIN	3/5 @ 1 PM	TBD	
				Barron	HGO	-		
SB 776	-	Health Insurance, Health Care Facilities, and Providers - Balance Billing - Limitations	Defining "health care facility-based physician" for the purpose of applying certain provisions of law relating to the assignment of benefits and the reimbursement of nonpreferred providers who are physicians to physicians based in certain health care facilities; requiring a carrier to provide certain coverage and apply certain cost-sharing requirements for certain services under certain circumstances	Kelley	FIN	2/26 @ 1 PM	Monitor	
SB 780	HB1018	Labor and Employment – Economic Stabilization Act – Revisions	Requiring the Secretary of Labor to develop mandatory, rather than voluntary, guidelines for employers faced with a reduction in operations; requiring an employer to provide written notice to certain persons at least 90 days before initiating a reduction in operations;	Griffith	FIN	2/27 @ 1 PM	Monitor	
				Davis, D.E.	EM	2/25 @ 1 PM		

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SB 789	-	Public Health - Maryland Suicide Fatality Review Committee (Suicide Mortality Review and Prevention Act of 2020)	Establishing the Maryland Suicide Fatality Review Committee to identify and address the factors contributing to suicide deaths and facilitate system changes in the State to prevent suicide deaths; requiring the Committee to meet at least quarterly each year, report at least annually to the Governor and the General Assembly on certain matters, perform certain annual studies, and disseminate certain findings and recommendations to policymakers, health care providers, health care facilities, and the public	Eckardt	FIN	3/4 @ 1 PM	Monitor	
SB 818	HB1558	Residential Treatment Centers and Facilities – Sexual Abuse and Harassment – Reporting and Prevention	Defining "covered entity" for the purpose of applying certain provisions of law regarding the reporting and prevention of abuse and harassment in certain State facilities to forensic residential centers and residential treatment centers for emotionally disturbed children and adolescents; requiring certain entities to report certain complaints of sexual abuse and sexual harassment to certain entities; requiring certain entities to develop and implement certain policies and procedures	Klausmeier	FIN	3/11 @ 1 PM	Monitor	
				Valentino-Smith	Jud	3/10 @ 1 PM		
SB 833	HB1527	Adult Protective Services - Vulnerable Adults Registry - Investigations and Records of Abuse and Neglect and Workgroup Study	Authorizing the Social Services Administration to establish and maintain a centralized confidential database for abused and neglected vulnerable adults; authorizing the Department of Human Services or a local department of social services to identify in the database an individual as responsible for abuse and neglect of a vulnerable adult in certain circumstances; establishing a Workgroup to Study Best Practices for a Vulnerable Adult Registry in Maryland	Benson	JudPro	3/4 @ 12 PM	Monitor	
				Lewis	Jud	3/5 @ 1 PM		
SB 896	HB1443	Commission on Student Behavioral Health and Mental Health Treatment	Commission on Student Behavioral Health and Mental Health Treatment	Hester	EHE	2/26 @ 1 PM	Monitor	
				Bagnall	W&M			

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SB 904	HB1515	Sheila E. Hixson Behavioral Health Services Matching Grant Program for Service Members and Veterans - Establishment	Establishing the Sheila E. Hixson Behavioral Health Services Matching Grant Program for Service Members and Veterans; providing for the purpose of the Program; requiring the Maryland Department of Health to administer the Program; requiring the Program to award certain grants to nonprofit organizations to establish and expand certain community behavioral health programs; establishing a certain eligibility requirement; requiring an eligible nonprofit organization to secure certain contributions for the proposal	Smith	FIN	2/18 @ 1 PM	Monitor	
				Young, P.	HGO	-		
SB 918	-	Human Services - Trauma-Informed Care - Commission and Training	Establishing the Commission on Trauma-Informed Care to coordinate a statewide initiative to prioritize the trauma-responsive and trauma-informed delivery of State services that impact children, youth, and families; requiring the Commission to submit a certain report of its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly by June 30 each year; requiring certain State agencies to designate certain staff members to participate in a certain training each year	Carter	FIN	3/6 @ 1 PM	Monitor	
SB 952	HB1359	Health Insurance - Requirements for Establishing Step Therapy Protocol and Requesting Exceptions	Repealing certain prohibitions on certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations regarding the imposition of step therapy or fail-first protocols; requiring a step therapy protocol to be established by using certain criteria based on certain guidelines; requiring certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, or health maintenance organizations to establish a certain process for requesting an exception step therapy protocol	Benson	FIN	2/26 @ 1 PM	TBD	
				Young, P.	HGO	2/27 @ 1 PM		

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SB 963	HB 609	Maryland Office of the Inspector General for Health	Renaming the Office of the Inspector General in the Maryland Department of Health to be the Maryland Office of the Inspector General for Health and providing that the Office is an independent unit of the State, rather than a unit in the Department; requiring an annual report by December 1 of the Office's activities investigating fraud and waste of certain funds, referrals to the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit, recoveries of mistaken claims paid in error, recoveries of the cost of benefits mistakenly paid	Hettleman	FIN	3/10 @ 1 PM	TBD	
				Barron	HGO	2/19 @ 1 PM		
SB 990	HB 464	Public Health – Overdose and Infectious Disease Prevention Services Program	Authorizing the establishment of an Overdose and Infectious Disease Prevention Services Program by a community-based organization to provide a place for the consumption of preobtained drugs, provide sterile needles, administer first aid, and provide certain other services; providing the Maryland Department of Health may approve not more than six programs, two programs in urban areas, two in suburban areas, and two in rural areas, to operate at a single location in areas with a high incidence of drug use	Hettleman	FIN	3/10 @ 1 PM	Monitor	
				Hettleman	HGO	-		
-	HB 601	Health Insurance - Provider Panels – Registered Psychology Associates	Prohibiting a carrier from rejecting a provider who provides community-based health services for an accredited program solely because the provider is a registered psychology associate	Ghrist	HGO	2/6 @ 1 PM	Monitor	
-	HB 729	Health Insurance – Payment of Clean Claims – Time Limit	Reducing the number of days, from 30 to 3, after the receipt of certain claims or certain information under certain circumstances within which an insurer, a nonprofit health service plan, or a health maintenance organization is required to mail or otherwise transmit certain payments or send certain notices; and altering a requirement that an insurer, a nonprofit health service plan, or a health maintenance organization pay certain interest on a certain amount of a claim under certain circumstances.	Hill	HGO	2/13 @ 1 PM	Monitor	

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-	HB756	Maryland Medical Assistance Program and Managed Care Organizations That Use Pharmacy Benefits Managers – Reimbursement Requirements	Requiring the Maryland Medical Assistance Program to establish reimbursement levels, rather than maximum reimbursement levels, for drug products for which there is a certain generic equivalent; requiring that certain minimum reimbursement levels be at least equal to the National Average Drug Acquisition Cost of the generic product plus the fee-for-service professional dispensing fee determined by the Maryland Department of Health in accordance with the most recent in-State cost-of-dispensing survey	Kipke	HGO	2/27 @ 1 PM	TBD	
-	HB 1143	Labor and Employment - Employment Contracts - Employment After Contract Termination	Prohibiting an employer from disqualifying an individual employed under contract with the employer from subsequent employment with the employer under certain circumstances; authorizing a certain individual to bring a civil action in a certain court to enforce the Act; authorizing a court to take certain actions; authorizing the Attorney General to bring a certain action in a certain county for certain remedies; establishing a civil penalty of \$5,000 for a violation of the Act	Fisher	EM	3/3 @ 1 PM	Monitor	
-	HB1121	Maryland Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Registry and Referral System	Establishing the Maryland Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Registry and Referral System in the Maryland Department of Health to provide a statewide system through which health care providers can identify and access available inpatient and outpatient mental health and substance use services for patients in a certain manner; requiring the Department to develop and implement the Registry and Referral System in collaboration with the State-designated Health Information Exchange	Pena-Melnyk	HGO	2/26 @ 1 PM	TBD	Priority
-	HB1461	Behavioral Health Programs – Outpatient Mental Health Centers – Medical and Clinical Directors	Requiring that regulations adopted under certain provisions of law regulating behavioral health programs include a provision requiring that the medical director of a behavioral health program licensed as an outpatient mental health center be a licensed and appropriately trained physician; and altering the requirement that certain regulations include a provision authorizing a psychiatric nurse practitioner to serve as clinical director, rather than a medical director, of a certain outpatient mental health center.	Hill	HGO	-	Oppose	Priority