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As physicians and public health professionals, we understand that effective policy must be grounded in both evidence and the lived experiences of the communities we serve. That's why I'm encouraging all MedChi members to review and comment on the draft recommendations recently released by the Maryland Commission on Public Health.

The Commission, which was established by statute and guided by a commitment to inclusive, transparent public health practice, is now actively seeking feedback on its preliminary recommendations. Comments will be accepted through Wednesday, July 9, 2025 at 11:59 p.m.

Click here to review the draft recommendations and submit feedback

This is a vital opportunity for physicians to weigh in on how our state approaches public health priorities. Whether it's about workforce development, infrastructure, equity, data systems, or cross-cutting issues, your perspective can make a difference. Substantive comments will be considered for inclusion in the final report to the General Assembly.

Additionally, the Commission has completed a series of public listening sessions and site visits across Maryland. You can view recordings of those sessions here:

- Southern Maryland Leonardtown
- Western Maryland Hagerstown
- Central Maryland I Columbia
- Eastern Shore Easton
- Baltimore Region

We know from experience that if physicians don't speak up, decisions are made without us. Let's ensure our voices are part of this conversation. Please take a few moments to review the report, submit your comments, and share this opportunity with your colleagues.

Thank you for your continued commitment to public health and the people of Maryland.

Sincerely,

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