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2025 Legislative Priorities



MedChi Leaders Attended Governor Wes Moore's Signing of Legislation to Reform Prior Authorization



**If you're in medicine,
you're in politics.**

Advocacy is non-negotiable in medicine. As physicians, so much of our work is impacted by legislation and regulation. We must ensure that the physician voice is heard when health policy is deliberated in our state. I'm proud to be part of MedChi's collective voice on behalf of our patients and our profession. I hope you'll join me in 2025.

Padmini Ranasinghe, MD
President

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2024 Advocacy Highlights



Ben Lowentritt, MD & Renee Bovelle, MD celebrate MedChi's 225th Anniversary



Medical students take a break from advocacy visits to meet with First Lady Dawn Moore



Anuradha Reddy, MD, serves as Physician of the Day in our State House First Aid Room

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Building on our 2024 success with prior authorization reform, Medicaid funding, patient safety protections, insurance coverage expansion, tort reform protection, and public health initiatives, MedChi will focus on a number of priorities in the 2025 Maryland General Assembly Legislative Session.

- Support reforms to hold health insurers accountable for improper decisions that delay or prevent the timely treatment of health care services
- Fight initiatives that would weaken Maryland's current medical liability environment, including repealing or increasing non-economic damages caps
- Advocate for policies to ensure that individuals have access to behavioral health treatment in the most appropriate setting
- Oppose measures to expand the scope of practice of non-physician healthcare practitioners beyond their education and training
- Protect the interests of physicians and patients in the new Maryland AHEAD Model by ensuring greater and more equitable primary care participation and increasing access to the Episode Quality Improvement Program for all specialties
- Support policies that assist physicians in the operation of private practices and ensure that regulatory and disciplinary actions of the Board of Physicians are fair and just
- Promote public health and safety initiatives that address health equity and social determinants of health

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