

# MAKING THE ACA WORK IN MARYLAND



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## ACA TASK FORCE

Maryland established a Health Insurance Coverage Protection Commission to monitor and assess the impact of federal changes to health care programs and provide recommendations for action to protect access to affordable healthcare coverage.

The commission includes a MedChi seat held by Stephen Rockower, MD, MedChi Past President.

## MARYLAND'S UNIQUE ALL-PAYER CONTRACT

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services and the State of Maryland are partnering to modernize Maryland's unique all-payer rate-setting system for hospital services. These updates will improve health outcomes and reduce costs.

MedChi fought for language that protects Maryland tort reform and physician payment and created the primary care program in a separate waiver.

## REINSURANCE EXCHANGE

Maryland was approved for a 1332 Waiver.

MedChi fought to ensure that the program doesn't unfairly advantage some health plans over others.



## MARYLAND MEDICAID WAIVER

MedChi and the AMA fought for passage of the Maryland Medicaid Waiver, stressing the importance of focusing on specific health care service access and delivery systems that directly impact overall health outcomes.

Bruce Smoller, MD, Chair of MedChi's Delegation to the AMA, notes that "MedChi and the AMA are particularly committed to the advancement of the National Diabetes Prevention Program to make it easier for people with prediabetes to participate in evidence-based, affordable, and high-quality lifestyle change programs to reduce their risk of Type 2 diabetes and improve their overall health."

## PHYSICIAN INVOLVEMENT

Willarda Edwards, MD, AMA Board of Trustees Member and MedChi Past President (below, far right), connected with Senator Ben Cardin on the importance of making the ACA work in Maryland



## RESOURCES

### FOR EMPLOYED PHYSICIANS

- Model Employment Contract
- Compensation Survey
- Online CME Presentations on Physician Employment

### FOR PRIVATE PRACTICE PHYSICIANS

- Practice Support Services
- Complimentary Practice Assessment
- No-obligation Insurance Review from the MedChi Insurance Agency

### FOR ALL PHYSICIANS

- Maryland Physician Health Program
- Legislative and Regulatory Advocacy
- Continuing Medical Education
- Public Health Advocacy & Resources

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