

MEDCHI, THE MARYLAND STATE MEDICAL SOCIETY
HOUSE OF DELEGATES

Resolution 30-19

INTRODUCED BY: The Kent County Medical Society

SUBJECT: Chestertown Rural Health Care Delivery System

Whereas, in Legislative Session 2019, continued concerns regarding availability of health services on the Maryland Eastern Shore prompted Senate Bill 1018,¹ requiring the Maryland Health Care Commission and the Office of Health Care Quality, to assess the types, quality and level of services provided at the University of Maryland Shore Medical Center in Chestertown; and

Whereas, Senate Bill 1018 although passed unanimously in the Senate, died in the last two weeks of Session, for reasons unrelated to the substance of the bill; and

Whereas, establishing the Chestertown Rural Health Care Delivery Innovations Pilot Program, within the Maryland Department of Health, would promote solutions for a sustainable future for in-patient care in rural areas; therefore be it

Resolved, that MedChi will work legislatively to pass the Chestertown Rural Health Care Delivery System Pilot Program legislation.

Resolution 30-19 was referred to the Board of Trustees by the House of Delegates at its meeting on November 2, 2019.

¹ <https://legiscan.com/MD/bill/SB1018/2019>