



ADVOCATING FOR HEALTH CARE PROGRESS IN MARYLAND



ADVANCING HEALTH EQUITY

In addition to the coverage initiatives that have resulted in **Black and Hispanic Marylanders gaining health insurance at a greater rate** than White Marylanders, we are also proud that our **Maryland Health Equity Resource Act** created significant new funding for communities to address the social determinants of health & health inequities, expand health care access, and improve health outcomes through local initiatives.



EXPANDING ACCESS

More than 400,000 Marylanders gained access to health insurance through the Affordable Care Act (ACA). We have defended and built on those gains by raising additional revenue to **expand our Medicaid program**, investing in **reinsurance** to reduce premiums, creating **young adult subsidies**, reducing barriers to coverage due to immigration status, and establishing the **Maryland Easy Enrollment Health Insurance Program**, which connects uninsured Marylanders with no-cost or low-cost coverage at tax time or through unemployment insurance forms. Now, we are defending this progress and also advocating to raise additional funds to expand health coverage through the **RENEW Act** which would assess big polluters.



REDUCING PRESCRIPTION DRUG COSTS

Maryland has been a leader in state action on prescription drug affordability, creating the **nation's first Prescription Drug Affordability Board (PDAB)** that has paved the way for other states to replicate this success. In 2025, the General Assembly granted the PDAB **expanded authority to set statewide upper payment limits** to make prescription drugs more affordable for *all* Marylanders.

Patients can share their experience with high cost drugs at healthcareforall.com/sharemystory.

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