Health and Human Services Transportation Improvement Act of 2023

Transportation Article §7-1109

A Report to the Governor and the Maryland General Assembly

Maryland Transit Administration October 2024 This report is written in response to language contained in Senate Bill 511, Chapter 331, Health and Human Services Transportation Improvement Act of 2023, which calls on the Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) to establish the State Coordinating Committee for Health and Human Services Transportation (SCCHHST) and for the committee to submit a report annually on or before September 1st, on the activities of the committee.

EFFORTS TO DATE

The Maryland Transit Administration, in coordination with the below agencies, has so far identified members of the Committee from the following organizations:

Seat Name (Member Requirements)	Name	Title
The Secretary, Or The Secretary's Designee (Chair)	Travis Johnston	Director Of Local Transit Support
The Secretary of Veterans Affairs, Or The Secretary's Designee	Robert Finn Or Dana Burl	Deputy Secretary of Communications, Outreach, And Advocacy Program Director
The Director of The Governor's Office For The Deaf And Hard Of Hearing, Or The Director's Designee	Alfred Sonnenstrahl	Retired Senior Marylander
The Executive Director of The Maryland Developmental Disabilities Council, Or The Executive Director's Designee	Rachel London	Executive Director
The Secretary of Health, Or The Secretary's Designee	Pamela Williams	Bureau Director for Cancer & Chronic Disease
The Secretary of Planning, Or The Secretary's Designee	Jill Lemke	Manager Of Infrastructure And Development
The Secretary of Housing And Community Development, Or The Secretary's Designee	Jordan Gilmore	Senior Policy Analyst
The Executive Board Chair of The Rural Maryland Council, Or The Executive Board Chair's Designee	Charlotte Davis	Executive Director
The Secretary of Human Services, Or The Secretary's Designee	Ignatius Iquaka	Assistant Director
The Secretary of Disabilities, Or The Secretary's Designee	Magtanggol (Bong) Delrosario	Director Of Transportation Policy
The Secretary of Aging, or the Secretary's Designee	Elouise Mayne	Assistant Secretary of Grants Administration
Appointed at the Pleasure of the Governor	Raena Hariharan	Lead Physician, Multidisciplinary Empowerment for Sustainable Health (MESH) Program; Clinical Associate For Johns Hopkins Bayview Division of Internal Medicine

Per the legislation, additional members may be recommended by the chair of the committee and appointed by the governor to provide input from local governments, employers, agencies, and organizations serving priority populations, transportation providers, and consumers from priority populations.

MDOT anticipates the Committee's first meeting to occur on October 30th, 2024 and will be able to report greater progress and findings on or before September 1, 2025.