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Support

Senate Bill 062 Pharmacists - Aids for the Cessation of Tobacco Product Use

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The Maryland Academy of Advanced Practice Clinicians (MAAPC) supports Senator Washington's SB062 Pharmacists - Aids for the Cessation of Tobacco Product Use

We applaud the change in language from the 2020 bill that would have allowed pharmacists to dispense oral tobacco cessation medications to the 2022 language prescribe and dispense nicotine replacement therapy medications.

Once a decision to stop smoking or using tobacco is made, it is important that the individual have immediate access to medications that help them start the journey and with a referral to a primary care for more support and education, I believe this bill can make a difference in the health of all Marylanders.

We urge a favorable report on this bill. If you need further information, please contact me at DrElaineCrainNP@gmail.com

Sincerely,
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