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HB 150 -Maryland Medical Assistance Program – Dental Coverage for Adults

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Position: support

People On the Go Maryland is the statewide self-advocacy organization run by and for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

This bill requires that the Maryland Medical Assistance Program provide comprehensive dental care for adults whose annual income is at or below 133 percent of the federal poverty level.

The expansion of the Maryland Medical Assistance dental coverage program for adults still doesn't go far enough to address the lack of dental facilities that do not accept medical assistance insurance and the current rate is far too low for the lack of basic access to oral care people with disabilities need.

We do feel that this increase is a step towards raising awareness and better access for more people with disabilities to take better care of their teeth. We are looking for a favorable report.

Thank you

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