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The Honorable Guy Guzzone
Chair
Senate Budget and Taxation Committee
3 West Miller Senate Office Bldg.
Annapolis, MD 21401-1991

The Honorable Maggie McIntosh
Chair
House Appropriations Committee
121 House Office Bldg.
Annapolis, MD 21401-1991

Re: 2020 Joint Chairmen's Report (p. 116) – Report on the Baltimore City Capitation Project

Dear Chairs Guzzone and McIntosh:

In keeping with the requirements of p. 116 of the 2020 Joint Chairmen's Report, the Maryland Department of Health (MDH) respectfully submits this update on the Baltimore City Capitation Project. MDH submitted a report on this topic during the 2019 interim and the committees remain interested in the potential to expand the program.

As MDH noted in the 2019 report, further investigation of this topic is needed given the broad range of individuals who would be eligible to enroll if the Capitation Program were expanded. Currently, there is insufficient data regarding the options that MDH wishes to explore for potential expansion. MDH's Medicaid Administration is currently working in partnership with MDH's Behavioral Health Administration and the sites to establish better data measures and enhance reporting in order to facilitate a more comprehensive analysis in the future, including enhanced tracking of State-only costs at an individual-level and assessing the fiscal impact of the Capitation Program. New data measures were put in place July 1, 2021, which will support analysis in the following year.

If further information or calculations are needed, please contact Heather Shek, Director, Office of Governmental Affairs at heather.shek@maryland.gov.

Sincerely,

Dennis R. Schrader
Secretary

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