



Statewide Advisory Commission on Immunizations
Meeting Minutes - September 24, 2025

Attendees: Monique Solieu-Burke (Chair), David Blythe, Dianna Abney, Deborah Busch, Rebecca Carter, Mary Caudle, Yen Dang, Janaki Deepak, Liz Elliott, Toby Gordon, Russell Lewis, Victoria McIntyre, Alicia Mezu, Sara Vazer, and Elizabeth Edwards (MDH Staff)

- I. Greetings and Introductions
- II. March 2024 Meeting Minutes Approved
- III. Update from Chair
 - A. New MDH Secretary: Dr. Meena Seshamani - Dr. Meena Seshamani took office as the new Secretary of the Maryland Department of Health in the spring/early summer of 2025.
 - B. Membership Updates - The Chair addressed upcoming term limit expirations for several commissioners.
 - C. Review of 2025 ACIP Meetings
- IV. Legislative Updates
 - A. House Bill 1315: Effective June 1, 2025, this law requires insurers to cover vaccines recommended by the CDC as of December 31, 2024, or later. It serves as a "backstop" to ensure continued coverage regardless of certain federal changes.
 - B. House Bill 974: Introduced to oversee the state budget regarding health and social services.
- V. Commission Maintains Health Equity Focus: Discussions highlighted the distinction between vaccine availability and accessibility, emphasizing the commission's role in promoting health equity and monitoring policy changes.
- VI. Public Comment Period
- VII. Meeting Adjourned