

# DHMH - Health Regulatory Commissions - Maryland Health Care Commission

## MISSION

The mission of the Maryland Health Care Commission is to plan for health system needs, promote informed decision-making, increase accountability, and improve access in a rapidly changing health care environment by providing timely and accurate information on availability, cost, and quality of services to policy makers, purchasers, providers and the public.

## VISION

The Commission envisions a state in which informed consumers hold the health care system accountable and have access to affordable and appropriate health care services through programs that serve as national models.

## KEY GOALS, OBJECTIVES, AND PERFORMANCE MEASURES

### Goal 1. Improve quality of care in the health care industry.

**Obj. 1.1** All 46 Maryland acute general hospitals shall obtain a performance score of 90 percent or above in each measure within the performance domain.

**Obj. 1.2** By calendar year 2017, all 46 Maryland Acute General Hospitals shall obtain a performance score of 75 percent or above reflecting a high patient satisfaction score (9 out of 10).

Performance Measures	2011 Act.	2012 Act.	2013 Act.	2014 Act.	2015 Act.	2016 Est.	2017 Est.
Number of hospitals 90 percent or above in heart attacks	35	40	45	23	19	23	23
Number of hospitals 90 percent or above in heart failure	32	40	45	45	46	46	46
Number of hospitals 90 percent or above in pneumonia	27	35	40	40	43	46	46
Number of hospitals 90 percent or above in Surgical Care Improvement Project (SCIP)	35	40	45	45	44	46	46
Hospitals 75 percent or above in overall patient satisfaction	9	20	30	30	3	10	15

### Goal 2. Improve access to, and affordability of, health insurance.

**Obj. 2.1** Improve access to health insurance in the small and large group markets.

Performance Measures	2011 Act.	2012 Act.	2013 Act.	2014 Act.	2015 Act.	2016 Est.	2017 Est.
Percent of small employers in Maryland offering coverage	35.3%	41.7%	40.2%	39.8%	N/A	41.0%	41.0%
Percent of employees in private sector establishments in Maryland who are enrolled in their employers' health plans (small firm)	37.4%	57.8%	56.4%	52.7%	N/A	53.0%	53.7%
Percent of employees in private sector establishments in Maryland enrolled in their employers' health plans (large firms)	59.3%	59.4%	59.5%	59.6%	N/A	60.0%	60.5%
Proportion of persons under age 65 years of age with health insurance	85.6%	85.9%	88.3%	93.5%	N/A	95.0%	95.0%
Proportion of individuals under 100 percent of Federal Poverty Level, age 19-64, without health insurance (N/A odd years)	N/A	40.0%	N/A	27.4%	N/A	26.4%	N/A

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**Goal 3. Reduce the rate of growth in health care spending.**

**Obj. 3.1** Eliminate unnecessary administrative expenses through adoption of health information technology.

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Documents uploaded to the state designated Health Information Exchange (HIE) (in millions)	N/A	70	90	114	204	300	400
Number of hospitals exchanging clinical documents	N/A	38	42	46	47	47	47
Percentage of providers with access to HIE that use HIE	N/A	42%	48%	63%	70%	75%	80%