Independent Actuarial Report: Maryland Needs Medical Liability Reform

Maryland’s medical liability climate is among the worst in the country, according to an independent report by Milliman and Abt Associates, paid for by the Health Services Cost Review Commission.

Indicators of unsustainable liability climate:
- Higher risk retention
- Rising premiums
- Restrictive coverage terms

MILLIMAN REPORT: 4 Facts Supporting Liability Reform

1. The market in Maryland “appears to be particularly affected.”

2. “Maryland is among the states with the highest losses paid by insurers...75% larger in Maryland than countrywide statistics.”

3. Overall insurance coverage in Maryland decreased because “there were not enough excess insurers willing to write policies for the hospitals.”

4. A large excess insurer declined “all new business from Baltimore City and County unless the hospital retained at least $25 million per claim...a distinction only reached by Chicago, New York City, and Philadelphia.”

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