



Maryland
Hospital Association

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Alyson Schuster, Ph.D.
Deputy Director, Quality Methodologies
Health Services Cost Review Commission
4160 Patterson Avenue
Baltimore, Maryland 21215

Dear Dr. Schuster:

On behalf of the Maryland Hospital Association's 61 member hospitals and health systems, we appreciate the opportunity to comment on the Health Services Cost Review Commission's (HSCRC's) *Draft Recommendations for the Maximum Revenue Guardrail for Maryland Hospital Quality Programs*.

We agree with the commission's recommendations and appreciate staff's efforts to protect against unforeseen financial adjustments in Maryland's pay-for-performance programs.

We appreciate the commission's consideration of our feedback. We look forward to continuing to work with the commission on the maximum revenue guardrail for Maryland Hospital Quality Programs. Should you have any questions, please call me at 410-540-5087.

Sincerely,

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