



## LEGISLATIVE WRAP-UP

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# 2019 Bills That Passed

## **Senate Bill 004:** Address High-Cost Health Insurance

- Modernizes laws authorizing health care cooperatives in the state to incorporate consumer protections, such as coverage for preexisting conditions, and to encourage consumers to help control health care costs by negotiating rates on a collective basis directly with providers.

## **House Bill 1004:** Proposal for Affordable Health Coverage Option

- Requires HCPF and DOI to develop and submit a proposal to the general assembly concerning the design, costs, benefits, and implementation of a state option for health care coverage.
- C4HCO included in stakeholder analysis process.

# 2019 Bills That Passed, Cont'd

## **House Bill 1168:** State Innovation Waiver Reinsurance Program

- Authorizes the DOI to seek federal approval through a 1332 waiver to institute a state reinsurance program for two years.
- Next steps:
  - DOI will submit waiver to federal government (draft already complete)
  - Carriers will submit two rates to DOI
  - Federal government will approve or deny waiver
  - One set of rates loaded into C4HCO, depending on outcome of waiver

# 2019 Bills That Passed, Cont'd

## **House Bill 1176:** Healthcare Cost Savings Act of 2019

- Creates a healthcare task force that is charged with hiring an analyst who will analyze the fiscal costs and other impacts of the following healthcare financing systems:
  - The current health care financing system, in which residents receive health care coverage from private and public insurance carriers or are uninsured;
  - A multi-payer universal health care financing system, in which competing insurance carriers or health maintenance organizations receive payments from a public financing authority; and
  - A publicly financed and privately delivered universal health care system that directly compensates providers
- C4HCO included as member of the task force