

# Prescription Drug Affordability Board Memorandums of Understanding (MOU) with State Partners

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PDAB Board Meeting

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Prescription Drug Affordability Board

# Background

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- The Prescription Drug Affordability Board was created as an independent state entity in 2019
- Partnered with Maryland Health Care Commission (MHCC) from founding as the Board developed capacity and infrastructure
  - Part of MHCC budget for FY 22
    - PDAB will reimburse MHCC for any expenditures while under their budget
- PDAB will transition to an independent budget in FY23, but will still need partnership and support in key areas
- PDAB planning to partner with the Maryland Health Benefit Exchange (MHBE) starting in FY23 for operational support



# MOU with MHCC

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The PDAB plans to enter into an MOU with MHCC to memorialize the partnership and support that MHCC provides to the PDAB:

- Human Resources
- Accounting
- Budget
- Procurement
- Information Technology
- Communication/Public Relations

MOU will be effective at signing and will remain active until PDAB switches to an independent budget in FY23



# MOU with MHBE

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The PDAB plans enter into an MOU with MHBE for partnership and support:

FY22:

- Accounting (fee assessment)

FY23:

- Human Resources
- Budget
- Procurement
- Information Technology
- Communication/Public Relations

Notwithstanding the MOUs, PDAB retains sole decision-making authority over its operation, including HR, Budget, Procurement, IT, etc.



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# Questions?

