Chapter 444

(House Bill 47)

AN ACT concerning

State Department of Education and Maryland Department of Health – Maryland School–Based Health Center Standards – Revision

FOR the purpose of requiring the State Department of Education and the Maryland Department of Health to revise certain standards regarding Maryland school-based health centers; and generally relating to standards for school-based health centers.

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That, on or before August 1, 2019, the State Department of Education and the Maryland Department of Health shall revise the Maryland School–Based Health Center Standards to:

- (1) repeal requirements for:
- (i) a school-based health center to have a medical director who is a physician; and
- (ii) a physician consultant to be available to the staff of the school-based health center to discuss clinical issues as needed; and
- (2) authorize a physician licensed under Title 14 of the Health Occupations Article, or a nurse practitioner licensed under Title 8 of the Health Occupations Article, to serve as a clinical director or a clinical consultant of a school–based health center.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2019.

Approved by the Governor, May 13, 2019.