

~~(3) THE SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE;~~

~~(4) THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER, OR THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER'S DESIGNEE;~~

~~(5) THE SECRETARY OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT, OR THE SECRETARY'S DESIGNEE; AND~~

~~(6) EIGHT INDIVIDUALS APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR, INCLUDING REPRESENTATIVES OF:~~

~~(I) THE MEDICAL AND CHIRURGICAL FACULTY;~~

~~(II) THE MARYLAND HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION;~~

~~(III) PRIVATE HEALTH INSURANCE CARRIERS WHO PROVIDE SERVICES TO MEDICAID AND THE MARYLAND CHILDREN'S HEALTH PROGRAM ENROLLEES;~~

~~(IV) A PATIENT ADVOCACY GROUP;~~

~~(V) PHYSICIANS WHO PROVIDE PRIMARY CARE TO LOW INCOME OR UNINSURED RESIDENTS OF THE STATE;~~

~~(VI) PHARMACISTS WHO SERVE PREDOMINANTLY LOW INCOME OR UNINSURED RESIDENTS OF THE STATE;~~

~~(VII) A LOCAL SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH; AND~~

~~(VIII) A PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATION OF INDIVIDUALS WITH EXPERTISE IN HEALTH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY.~~

~~(c) (1) IN PERFORMING ITS DUTIES, THE TASK FORCE MAY CONSULT WITH INDIVIDUALS AND ENTITIES THAT THE SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE DEEMS APPROPRIATE.~~

~~(2) THE TASK FORCE SHALL CONDUCT FORUMS THROUGHOUT THE STATE WITH HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS, HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS, COMMUNITY AND NONPROFIT GROUPS, CONSUMERS, PRIVATE BUSINESSES, AND REPRESENTATIVES OF LOCAL SCHOOL SYSTEMS AND GOVERNMENTS TO RECEIVE INPUT ON THE CHARGES TO THE TASK FORCE UNDER SUBSECTION (E) OF THIS SECTION.~~