

June 14, 2023

Megan Williams, DNP, FNP-C, FAANP Interim CEO

The Honorable Nicole Poore 411 Legislative Ave. Dover, DE 19901

The Honorable Krista Griffith 411 Legislative Ave. Dover, DE 19901

RE: Support for SB 55 w/ SA 1, Rare Disease Advisory Council

Dear Senator Poore and Representative Griffith,

Nemours Children's
Health
Mark Mumford,
Executive Vice President
Chief Executive,
Nemours Delaware
Valley Operations

Bayhealth
Terry Murphy,
President & CEO

Beebe Healthcare David A. Tam, MD, MBA, President & CEO

ChristianaCare Janice E. Nevin, MD, MPH President & CEO

TidalHealth Nanticoke
Penny Short, MSM, BSN,
RN
President & CEO

Saint Francis Hospital Christopher Cullom, MSHA, MBA President, Saint Francis Hospital

Delaware Healthcare Association Megan Williams, DNP, FNP-C, FAANP Interim CEO The Delaware Healthcare Association supports SB 55 w/ SA 1, to create the Delaware Rare Disease Advisory Council.

SB 55 establishes the Delaware Rare Disease Advisory Council to educate medical professionals, government agencies, legislators, and the public about rare diseases. The Advisory Council is charged with engaging in activities intended to benefit rare disease patients in Delaware, including encouraging and securing funding for the development of new treatments for rare diseases. DHA supports this initiative so that we can work together to make those living with rare diseases as healthy as they can be. We also want to thank you for including a representative from an acute care hospital on the Council.

DHA is pleased to support SB 55 w/ SA 1 and looks forward to working with you and the members of the General Assembly to advance this important legislation.

Sincerely,

Megan Williams, DNP, FNP-C, FAANP

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DHA represents hospitals and health care delivery systems in Delaware and provides policy and advocacy leadership in creating an excellent environment to support our members in helping every Delawarean to be as healthy as they can be.