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Brian Frazee
President & CEO

The Honorable DeShanna Neal
Delaware General Assembly
411 Legislative Ave.
Dover, DE 19901

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

Dear Representative Neal,

The Delaware Healthcare Association, representing Delaware's hospitals, health systems, and related healthcare organizations, is pleased to support House Bill 426.

ChristianaCare
Janice E. Nevin,
MD, MPH
President & CEO
DHA Board Vice Chair

Ensuring access to care is one of DHA's top advocacy priorities for 2024. HB 426 seeks to ensure pregnant women in DOC custody are able to meet with a doula or midwife to create a birth plan surrounding the birth of their child. Birth plans enable patients to communicate their wishes during labor and after the baby's birth to their health care team and can help improve outcomes for mothers and babies.

Bayhealth
Terry Murphy
President & CEO
DHA Board Secretary &
Treasurer

Thank you for the opportunity to share DHA's support for HB 426. We look forward to working with you and your colleagues in the General Assembly to advance this legislation.

Nemours Children's Health
Mark Marcantano
President
Delaware Valley
Operations

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Brian Frazee'.

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