



June 9, 2026

Christina Bryan
Vice President of External Affairs

The Honorable Marie Pinkney
411 Legislative Ave
Dover, DE 19901

RE: DHA Support for Pharmacist Scope of Practice (SB 320)

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

Dear Senator Pinkney,

Bayhealth
Terry Murphy
President & CEO
DHA Board Vice-Chair

The Delaware Healthcare Association, on behalf of Delaware's hospitals, health systems, and related healthcare organizations, is pleased to support Senate Bill 320 which authorizes pharmacists in Delaware to practice to the full extent of their education and training.

TidalHealth Nanticoke
Penny Short, MSM, BSN, RN
President
DHA Board Secretary & Treasurer

Strengthening Delaware's healthcare workforce and ensuring healthcare access are among DHA's top advocacy priorities for 2026, and SB 320 directly advances these priorities. Delaware like the rest of the nation faces healthcare workforce shortages. At the same time, Delaware is the 5th oldest and 6th fastest growing state in the nation, increasing the demand for healthcare services and the need for a robust workforce to care for our growing and aging population. Pharmacists are an essential part of the healthcare continuum and SB 320 can help expand access to healthcare in Delaware. By allowing pharmacists to practice at the top of their license while requiring appropriate documentation of treatment and communication with primary care providers, this bill will improve patient access to care while ensuring effective coordination among healthcare professionals.

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

Saint Francis Hospital
Le-Ann Harris, DNP, MHA, RN,
NEA-BC
President, Trinity Health Mid-Atlantic

DHA has been an active partner in the state's engagement with the Rural Health Transformation Program and supports this legislation as a way to help ensure Delaware remains competitive in accessing and maximizing federal funding.

Nemours Children's Health
Laura Kowal, MPT, JD
President
Delaware Valley

Delaware Healthcare Association
Brian W. Frazee
President & CEO

Thank you for the opportunity to share DHA's support for SB 320 for your leadership on this important issue. We also appreciate your time and willingness to answer questions regarding the bill and its implementation. We look forward to working with you and your colleagues in the General Assembly to advance this legislation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Christina Bryan'.

Christina Bryan
Vice President of External Affairs