



CITY OF BALTIMORE
MAYOR BRANDON M. SCOTT

TO	The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council
FROM	Mary Beth Haller, Interim Commissioner of Health, Baltimore City Health Department
CC	Mayor's Office of Government Relations
DATE	March 18, 2025
SUBJECT	25-0014 – Emergency Medical Services – Administration of Buprenorphine

Position: No Position

BILL SYNOPSIS

Council Bill 25-0015 – Emergency Medical Services – Administration of Buprenorphine would require the Baltimore City Fire Department to issue buprenorphine to all emergency medical service (EMS) technicians and train all Baltimore City EMS technicians in the administration of buprenorphine. The bill would also require the Fire Department's EMS technicians to follow the "optional supplemental protocol in the Maryland Medical Services Protocols for Emergency Medical Services."

SUMMARY OF POSITION

The Baltimore City Health Department (BCHD) appreciates the opportunity to review Council Bill 25-0015 – Emergency Medical Services – Administration of Buprenorphine. BCHD defers to the Baltimore City Fire Department as the agency that would be implementing the requirements outlined in the bill.