

The Maryland Legislative Session begins on January 9<sup>th</sup> and the [Legal Resource Center for Public Health Policy's](#) (LRC) preparation is in full swing. This year, the LRC's Public Health Law Clinic will consist of 10 students who will track each piece of public health legislation and provide daily updates through our [Google Tracking Document](#). The students will also lead our bi-weekly update call every other Monday where we will discuss the status of prominent public health legislation.

We will hold our first legislative update call on **Tuesday, January 15<sup>th</sup> at 1 p.m.** and will continue the bi-weekly calls on Mondays at 1 p.m., starting Monday, January 28<sup>th</sup>.

**To participate please call: (641) 715-3580 Access Code: 288-644**

The LRC is currently putting together a list of potential legislation and priority areas for our students to monitor. The LRC's legislative work is directed by the interests of our callers. If you are working on or are aware of any potential legislation, we would love to include it in our priorities and provide assistance to you and your organizations. We are happy to provide information on the legislative process, legislative histories, what other states are doing, testimony/testifying, and best practices.

The LRC will also be holding a pre-session webinar to discuss (1) potential tobacco-related bills (including Tobacco 21, pharmacy scope of practice, ID Check, clean indoor air, and much more!), (2) the Maryland legislative process, and (3) the budget process, with a focus on Cigarette Restitution Fund appropriations. While this webinar is tobacco specific, we invite anyone to participate. If you are interested, you can register [here](#).