Possible Guiding Principles for Healthy Mid-Shore Communities

- The health and well-being of Mid-Shore residents is essential to the State and region's economic viability and quality of life.
- We are committed to building a health care system in which all residents regardless of their place of the jurisdiction have access to appropriate and high quality care.
- We are committed to creating opportunities to achieve payment and delivery system reforms
 that ensure access to high quality health services (including primary health care, inpatient and
 emergency medical services, behavioral health, oral health, and public health) to Mid-Shore
 residents and visitors, including vulnerable populations.
- We are committed to leveraging existing payment innovations already underway in Maryland.
- We recognize that delivery model innovations need to be sustainable so that providers and payers invest in the necessary capabilities to be successful, but need to be flexible enough to take root and improve in urban, suburban, and rural environments.
- We are committed to empowering Mid-Shore residents to be active participants in their health decisions and provide transparency about the real costs of health care.
- We support investing in cost-effective prevention and wellness interventions, such as smoking cessation and reducing obesity, to improve health status.