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MEMORANDUM

DATE: May 1, 2019

TO: The Honorable Members of the Delaware General Assembly

FROM: Ann C. Fisher, Chairperson
GACEC

RE: **Senate Bill No. 59 Recommendation of Medical Marijuana**

The Governor's Advisory Council for Exceptional Citizens (GACEC) has reviewed **Senate Bill No. 59** which will allow nurse practitioners and physician assistants to recommend medical marijuana for patients. Council **endorses** this expansion of patient access to medical marijuana; however, we would like to share the following observations.

First, on lines 91-93, Council would suggest use of the consistent reference to "patient" rather than using both patient and individual.

Second, Council recommends the establishment of a mechanism for waiver or reduced fees for individuals who are unable to afford the \$125.00 annual fee for registration.

Thank you for your time and consideration of our endorsement and comments. Please feel free to contact me or Wendy Strauss at the GACEC office should you have any questions.