



**Wednesday, February 11, 2026**  
**9:30 AM - 11:30 AM**

**Institute for Marine and Environmental Technology, 2nd floor**  
**701 E Pratt St, Baltimore, MD 21202**

## **AGENDA**

**9:30 a.m. - 9:40**

**Welcome and Introductions**

*Bob Storey - Managing Director, The MVR Company; Managing Director, The LaunchPort™, LSAB Vice Chair*

**9:40 - 9:45**

**Review and Acceptance of Meeting Minutes (July 15 and November 18, 2025)**

*Bob Storey*

**9:45 - 10:00**

**Review of JPM Healthcare Conference**

*Matt Cimino, PhD - Sr Manager, Business Development, Life Sciences, Maryland Department of Commerce*

*Matt Tremblay, PhD - CEO, Blackbird Laboratories*

*Christy Wyskiel - Sr Advisor to the President and Head of JHTV, Johns Hopkins University*

**10:00 - 10:10**

**Upcoming Conferences:**

**Maryland MedTech Summit - Apr 24, 2026**

*Bradley Gillenwater - Manager, Business Development, Life Sciences, Maryland Department of Commerce*

**2026 BIO International Convention - June 22-25, 2026**

*Stefanie Trop, PhD - Director, Life Sciences, Maryland Department of Commerce*

**10:10 - 10:35**

**Life Sciences Foreign Direct Investment Strategy**

*Ricardo Benn - Deputy Secretary, Division of Industry, International and Innovation, Maryland Department of Commerce*

*John Gilstrap - Assistant Secretary, Division of Industry, International and Innovation, Maryland Department of Commerce*

**10:35 - 10:50**

**AstraZeneca Expansion Updates**

*Renee Iacona, PhD - COO, Oncology Biometrics, AstraZeneca*

**10:50 - 11:20**

**Department of Labor Life Sciences Workforce Strategy**

*Eve Boyle, PhD - Special Advisor, Office of Strategic Initiatives, Maryland Department of Labor*

**11:20 - 11:30**

**Public Comments/Discussion**

*Bob Storey*

**11:30**

**Closing Remarks and Adjournment**

*Bob Storey*