Members of the Maryland Health and Government Operations Committee, I am writing in regards to HB1516.

- 1. I believe parents should be able to have a say and prevent their children from being able to receive drug paraphernalia without any interference from the government. This bill will be protecting the parents rights!
- 2. I have been unable to find any compelling evidence that these opioid outreach programs save more lives than it compromises.
- 3. This bill protects citizens and especially vulnerable children from injury and exposure to communicable diseases from improperly discarded needles.

As a parent, I believe parental rights need to be protected so that I can ensure I know what is happening in my child's life and am able to help them live their healthiest, happiest life. If I don't know what's going on how would I be able to help?

Thank you!

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