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The Honorable Shane E. Pendergrass
Chair, House Health and Government Operations
Room 241, House Office Building
Annapolis, MD 21401

RE: House Bill 229 – Pharmacists – Administration of Maintenance Injectable Medications – Treatment of Sexually Transmitted Infections – Letter of Support

Dear Chair Pendergrass and Committee Members:

The Maryland Board of Pharmacy (the Board) is submitting this letter of support for House Bill (HB) 229 – Pharmacists – Administration of Maintenance Injectable Medications – Treatment of Sexually Transmitted Infections.

HB 229 would amend the definition of “maintenance injectable medication” to specifically include a medication that “treats a sexually transmitted infection and is not a vaccine.”

The Board supports the appropriate expansion of the practice of pharmacy and recognizes the importance of increasing access to treatment for Marylanders.

I hope this information is useful. If you would like to discuss this further, please do not hesitate to contact me at deena.speights-napata@maryland.gov / (410) 764-4753.

Sincerely,

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Executive Director

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