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Dear Legislators,

I am giving this written testimony in support of HB1192. The people of Harford and Cecil Counties as well as the Eastern Shore who are currently dealing with Sickle Cell Disease are in dire need of more comprehensive and accessible care to manage their disease. Much of the suffering, and at worst deaths, of these individuals can be greatly alleviated and reduced through greater access to care from individuals familiar with the treatment and management of Sickle Cell Disease. Any efforts that can be instituted to get these ideas into action will immensely help those afflicted with the disease. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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