

SB 480 - Assisted Outpatient Treatment Programs

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Position: SUPPORT

My eldest child suffered from mental illness. Since his death, I have read about the terrible state of our mental health care. Those with serious mental illness who cycle in and out of the carceral system are not getting the help they need. Prisons are not conducive to mental health. Continually cycling through the system is an injustice to them and to our communities state-wide.

For this reason, I am writing to urge you to strongly support Senator Lewis Young's SB 480 to authorize assisted outpatient treatment (AOT) programs in Maryland.

Sincerely,
Margaret Go