



Health Care for All!

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Chairman Peter Hammen, and members of the House Health and Government Operations Committee:

Please support HB 920, the "No So-Called Sexual Stimulants for Pills Act."

I am the President of the Maryland Citizen's Health Initiative and Health Care for All!, a broad-based coalition of 1,100 faith, labor, business and community groups that have been working to guarantee all Marylanders access to quality, affordable health care. The Coalition has successfully advocated for a number of laws that increase access to care and prescription drugs. In the years ahead, MCHI will continue to educate and activate its powerful coalition to increase health care access in Maryland and educate them about important health care matters. Although our overall goal is quality, affordable health care for ALL Marylanders, we are always focusing on less comprehensive legislation that will improve the health of all our residents. We consider this legislation amongst them.

Recently, we have been focusing efforts on health care coverage for kids in Maryland. At the same time, we want to keep children safe so that they can avoid requiring medical interventions -- something that HB 920 clearly has as its objective. We certainly don't want kids in Maryland to be able to go to stores and purchase something clearly labeled as "not safe" for children.

We look forward to your votes in favor of this legislation, and we would be happy to provide you with more information or answer any of your questions.

Sincerely,

Vincent DeMarco
President,
Maryland Citizen's Health Initiative