



## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

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### **MARYLAND BOARD OF PHARMACY**

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February 13, 2020

The Honorable Senator Paul G. Pinsky  
Chair, Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee  
2 West, Miller Office Building  
Annapolis, MD 21401-1991

### **RE: Senate Bill 545 – Pharmacists – Administration of Self-Administered Medications and Maintenance Injectable Medications – Letter of Support**

Dear Chair Pinsky:

The Maryland Board of Pharmacy (the “Board”) is submitting this letter of support for Senate Bill 545 – Pharmacists – Administration of Self-Administered Medications and Maintenance Injectable Medications.

Senate Bill 545 would expand a pharmacist’s scope of practice to include the administration of maintenance injectable medications. This will increase public access to these important treatments. By expanding access to these treatments, this legislation will advance the Board of Pharmacy’s mission to promote quality healthcare in the field of pharmacy. For this reason, the Board of Pharmacy extends its formal support for this legislation.

I hope this information is useful. If you would like to discuss this further, please contact me at 410-764-4753 or [deena.speights-napata@maryland.gov](mailto:deena.speights-napata@maryland.gov).

Sincerely,

Deena Speights-Napata,  
M.A. Executive Director  
Maryland Board of Pharmacy

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