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Ms. Zimmerman,

I am writing in support of the repeal of  $\S 27.18(s)(1)$ . The elimination of this policy would allow people in Pennsylvania to purchase syringes without a prescription. I would also like to see

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the elimination of the 30-syringe limit. There are a number of other states that do not enforce a maximum limit to syringes purchased. I am a Registered Nurse, working in Philadelphia, PA. I know that the repeal of this policy will

help to save lives by reducing the transmission of HIV and Hepatitis C. Not only will this aid the health of many, it will even reduce the cost of care that must be provided for individuals infected with these chronic, often deadly, conditions.

Please support this life-saving endeavor.

Thank you,

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