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RE: HB2927

Dear House Committee on Behavior Health and Health Care:

I am Thomas Deloughery MD a senior Hematologist at OHSU and have cared for people with sickle cell disease for over 30 years. I am testifying in support of HB2927 because sickle cell disease is a lifelong disease that requires lifelong coordinated care that this bill supports. The items this bill proposes such as educational programs, social support and information services, annual review of medications for sickle cell disease etc.. will have a positive impact on the lives of patients with sickle cell disease.

Thank you for your consideration

Sincerely,

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