Sarah Ackerly Topsham LD 1205

Senator Bailey, Representative Perry and members of the committee,

My name is Dr. Sarah Ackerly and I have been practicing in midcoast Maine for 29 years. I am writing in opposition to LD1205. I value the need for good data collection, but this bill is an overstep that unfairly targets CPMs in the state of Maine. Data is already being collected on birth certificates and is annually sent to the Complementary Health Care Board. It is available to the public and if this information is important for public health and safety, then it is information that should be collected from all medical providers attending births, not just CPMs. Thank you for your support opposing LD1205.

Dr. Sarah Ackerly