COMMUNITY VOICES NEEDED

Do you have family or loved ones who inject substances? Please share your thoughts on supervised consumption sites.

The Massachusetts chapter of Getting to Zero (GTZ) is part of the coalition supporting the bill to legalize a pilot supervised consumption site. This would be a space where people who inject drugs could do so safely.

We are recruiting family members and loved ones of people who inject substances for a focus group to discuss this novel idea. Participants will receive a $50 gift card as compensation.

Wednesday, November 20th at 7:00 PM
JRI Health, 1 Grant St. Suite 100, Framingham

Please RSVP by emailing Corey (they/them):
commission@ma-lgbtq.org

For more info on the bill: https://malegislature.gov/Bills/191/H1712/

"An Act relative to preventing overdose deaths and increasing access to treatment"
- Bill H. 1712
Participants will be divided into groups of 5-6 people. Volunteers will be brought together to discuss their opinions and perspectives on the feasibility and efficacy of supervised consumption sites. Food and drinks will be provided as well as a $50 gift card as compensation for your time. The conversations will involve topics such as what substance use looks like in your community and what you think the pros and cons of opening a supervised consumption site would be.

What is a supervised consumption site (SCS)?
A SIF/SCS is a legally sanctioned harm reduction facility where people who use drugs can safely consume previously obtained drugs under medical supervision. Health professionals would be on site to respond to overdoses, make referrals, offer counseling, and provide other health services to clients.

The Getting to Zero Activist Academy is a program of the coalition created to increase advocacy for the HIV/AIDS agenda of MA. We are working to broaden participation and increase conversation around Getting to Zero.

Learn more: tinyurl.com/GTZBlueprint