

## Opening Statement

Thank you for holding this markup today, Mr. Chairman.

I am proud that we in the Energy and Commerce Committee have worked toward bipartisan consensus on these critical pieces of legislation to strengthen the FDA, support medical innovation, and address the behavioral health crisis.

While I look forward to supporting the work we're here to do today, I also want to amplify my colleagues' ongoing conversations around The Clarifying Remanufacturing to Protect Patient Safety Act.

In particular, I want to highlight why this legislation is so important. Medical device remanufacturing often has the potential to reduce health care costs, but it can also compromise patient safety.

Simply put, we need clarity around what constitutes remanufacturing and what does not. The Director of the Center for Devices and Radiological Health, Dr. Shuren, has asked us to work with him because the FDA needs this definition clarified in statute.

I remain committed to continuing to work with all of my colleagues, on both sides of the aisle as well as in the Senate, to move this important bipartisan legislation closer to the President's desk.

Thank you, Mr. Chairman, I yield back.