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Independent Regulatory Review Commission

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RE: Regulation #16A-4953: Registration of Naturopathic Doctors

Dear Chairman Bewick and IRRC Members,

I am writing regarding the Naturopathic Doctors Registration Act (Regulation #16A-4953: Registration of Naturopathic Doctors).

This regulation will allow naturopathic doctors in Pennsylvania to work with patients who can be assured of the ND's education, background, and professional regulation. This final-form regulation also contains language that appropriately distinguishes naturopathic doctors from other various lay practitioners in the Commonwealth. This was accomplished by the PA State Board of Medicine voting to strike section 18.907(b) of the regulation, an alteration which the PA Association of Naturopathic Physicians supports. Thank you for your continued work on moving forward the appropriate professional regulation of naturopathic doctors in Pennsylvania.

Sincerely,

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