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Dear Commission:

IRRC # 3324  
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I wholeheartedly support registration of Naturopathic Doctors in Pennsylvania. Registration of Naturopathic Doctors fortifies distinction of their national standards for education and training from federally accredited naturopathic medical colleges by the Council on Naturopathic Medical Education (CNME). Registration further assures Pennsylvania residents that their Naturopathic Doctor's title, with the N.D. designation, has the competencies of graduate naturopathic medical education and training in order to practice in PA.

To be brief, we've had a few situations where naturopathic methods fixed a physical issue we had, where medical doctors ran out of things to try. Thankfully we were at a place where we could financially do so without the insurance coverage. Other situations where ND care did not have the side effects of conventional medicine would have for specific treatments.

I strongly believe that ND doctors should be registered for several reasons. Most importantly so that insurance companies will cover their services.

Sincerely,

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