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Charles D. Hummer, Jr., M.D., Chairman Pennsylvania State Board of Medicine P.O. Box 2649 Harrisburg, PA 17105-2649

Dear Dr. Hummer:

Presently, I am a licensed physician assistant and practice in emergency medicine in Sharon, PA with eight years of experience. I occasionally provide inpatient and outpatient psychiatric services to the under served in the area.

In reference to the proposed changes to Pennsylvania Code Title 49; Chapter 18, relating to physician assistants, I fully support these changes. The changes will update the regulation of my profession and allow me and my supervising physicians to provide care for patients more effectively. Also, these changes will streamline but not diminish supervision and allow my supervisors to utilize my services. The provisions represented in the regulations are well in line with language adopted in other states.

As a licensed and practicing physician assistant in Pennsylvania, I urge the board to adopt these proposed changes. Furthermore, I have listed the names of my supervisors and colleagues who also support the changes. Thank you for your consideration.

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