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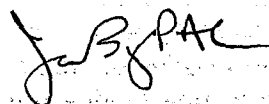
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Dear Dr. Hummer,

I am a practicing physician's assistant in orthopedic surgery. I practice with and under the supervision of Dr. Shabir Bhayani in Bradford, Pennsylvania. This letter is being written in support of the proposed changes to the Pennsylvania Code titled 49, Chapter 18 relating to physicians assistants. I personally think that the regulations of weekly review and requirement of physician third visits and not being able to prescribe schedule one or two controlled drugs have been cumbersome and limiting in our practice. We are aware that the proposed regulations previously approved by the Medical Board are now facing legislative review and public comment. They also need final review by the Medical Board. I feel that the proposed regulations should be revised to represent the progressive view of modern health care in the state of Pennsylvania. Practicing also in the state of New York these regulations, as they stand, are somewhat archaic when compared to the New York regulations. As a practicing licensed and registered physician's assistant in the State of Pennsylvania, I urge the State Board of Medicine of the State to adopt these proposals. I appreciate your time and thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



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