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Charles D. Hummer, Jr., M.D., Chairman
Pennsylvania State Board of Medicine
P.O. Box 2649
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Dear Dr. Hummer,

As a supervising physician of a physician assistant, in Williamsport, Pennsylvania, I am writing in support of the proposed changes to Pennsylvania Code Title 49, Chapter 18, relating to physician assistants. The proposed changes will update the regulation of the physician assistant profession and allow myself as a supervising physician to care for patients more effectively.

The changing in the length of time for chart review and altering the prescription regulations for Pas will not diminish my supervision, but enhance the best use of my PA. The regulatory revisions represent a progressive view of the modern health care system while allowing continued safe utilization of Pas as adopted by other states.

As a practicing physician in Pennsylvania, I urge the Board to adopt these proposed changes. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely yours,

Dr. Vitaly Piluiko