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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:

I am writing this letter in support of the proposed changes to the **Pennsylvania Code Title 49, Chapter 18, relating to physician assistants**. The proposed changes will update the regulation of physician assistants and allow patients to be treated more effectively by physician assistants.

I believe that the changes that are reflected will allow more flexibility within the profession and allow supervising physicians to utilize their physician assistants to the fullest extent.

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

Sincerely,

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