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Sent: Tuesday, June 27, 2006 10:38 PM
To: jlau@state.pa.us
Subject: Health Assessment information Regulation 3270.131 #14-506

Dear Ms. Lau:

I am a pediatric nurse practitioner and have been a health consultant to child care for approximately 22 years. Most recently, I have been alerted to the proposed changes to this regulation. Many of the children I see and whose health appraisals I review often do not have all of the screenings completed even though they are required because of the recommendations by AAP. I would hate to imagine what would happen to a great majority of our children in PA if these weren't required by the regulation. I fear that they would not have the screenings completed before transitioning into kindergarten and then maybe, not ever after that. Our children need early detection services to be healthy and ready to learn. Early detection also seems that it would be less expensive to treat than a child who has gone undetected in their early years.

Sincerely,

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