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Dear Mr. Coccodrilli,

This letter is in reference to Regulation ID # 16A-5130 (#2608), the proposed regulation regarding the Continuing Education for Professional Nurses.

As a Certified School Nurse, I am required by the PA Dept. of Education to receive 180 hours of continuing education every five years under Act 48 to retain my School Nurse Certification. Many of the courses that I take to fulfill my Act 48 credits are related to my nursing profession (eg. - Tourettes Syndrome, Autism, CPR certification, etc).

It would be very helpful to Certified School Nurses to have Act 48 credits related to nursing included in the regulations as approved credits to meet the Continuing Education for Professional Nurses requirement. Getting 30 hours every two years in addition to 180 hours every five years could get confusing and cumbersome if the courses can not be counted together.

Thank you for your consideration.



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