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Dear Ann Steffanic,

I am a Certified School Nurse who is required by the Department of Education to obtain Act 48 credits. Act 48 guidelines require 6 credits / 180 hours of approved education over 5 years.

This past year my superintendent did not approve for me to attend any of the continuing education seminars for school nurses or for Crisis Response mandates (i.e. Pandemic flu, bomp threat procedures, emergency plans). I attended 3 conferences at a cost of \$25-\$30 each, self pay, to attend 3 programs specifically for school nurses. I did receive Act 48 hours for my participation in these programs.

I can't imagine now having to pay \$75 for each CEU for 49 PA. Code Ch.21. I feel the \$75 fee is too costly. In two years I would have \$2,250 of my pay going towards the cost of this new mandate.

I would recommend a \$25 fee. I do hope that you will consider making that change to the proposal.

Sincerely,

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