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Dear Dr. Gallagher:

I would like to commend your organization for approving prescription rights for physician assistants under the osteopathic regulations. I am a physician assistant since 1983 and am the 26<sup>th</sup> PA in Pennsylvania to register with the osteopathic board of medicine. I have been dual-registered since 1984 and I find that the activities that I perform are not really different for the allopathic and the osteopathic physicians.

I am glad that the osteopathic board has finally approved the prescription rights- this will undoubtedly will improve efficiencies when PAs work for osteopathic physicians and these changes are most consistent with practice parameters in other states.

Congratulations on your efforts and thank you for the support of the PA profession. As the Program Director for the DeSales University Physician Assistant Program in Center Valley, PA, I will be pleased to announce to my students about these changes when they are finalized.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive that reads "Christine H. Bruce, MNSA, PA-C".

Christine H. Bruce, MHSA, PA-C  
Professor and Program Director

