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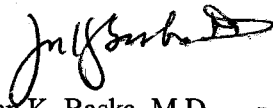
We received a letter from Thomas A. Blackburn, Esquire, informing us that regulation 16A-5318 concerning prescriptive authority for physician assistants has been delivered for final rule making. We are delighted to hear that news and are in support of this regulation.

Our practice is a very busy internal medicine practice with three MDs, one DO and one PA seeing approximately 400 patients per week. It would be beneficial to our practice to have these regulations in place to provide better access to patient care.

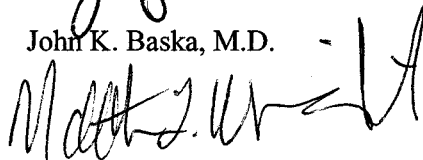
Our group practice has employed physician assistants for many years. They have been safely prescribing under supervision of MDs and work closely with us to ensure patient safety. We hope that the proposed osteopathic regulations are accepted without problems.

Thank you for your time and consideration.


Sincerely,



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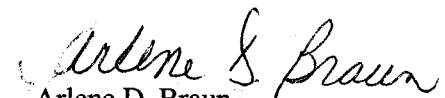
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