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Joseph C. Gallagher, Jr., D.O.  
Chairman, Osteopathic Board of Medicine  
P.O. Box 2649  
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Dear Dr. Gallagher:

I recently received notice that the Board of Osteopathic Medicine has finished proposed language for delegated prescriptive authority for physician assistants. I am wholly in support of this measure and feel that it is a giant step forward in patient care. We rely heavily on our physician extenders to provide the best care possible to the residents of Pennsylvania. You and the Board are to be commended for moving in this very positive direction.

Sincerely,



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