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RE: Prescription Privileges of Physician Assistants

Dear Joseph C. Gallagher, Jr., D.O.,

I am writing you to today regarding prescription writing privileges for PAs in the state of Pennsylvania. I have worked with a PA for 5 years now in my clinic and I feel she is very capable of writing prescriptions. She has excellent medical knowledge and uses her subjective and objective findings to determine which treatment regimen would be appropriate for the patient. In addition, in my opinion, I always find her treatment regimen (and medication choices) appropriate for the patients. In addition, we always review the cases and if there were any concerns, we would discuss them together. Therefore, I am in favor of prescription writing privileges for PAs.

Sincerely,



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