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Joseph C. Gallagher Jr., D.O.
Chairman, Osteopathic Board of Medicine
P.O. Box 2649
Harrisburg PA 17105-2647

Dear Dr. Gallagher:

I have been a practicing physician assistant for thirty years, the last nineteen with an osteopathic physician. We provide patient care in a large rural health community. The passage of prescriptive privileges will greatly aid us in providing quality care with minimal waiting times by the patient.

Physician assistants under the supervision of allopathic physicians have been safely prescribing medications for a number of years. I strongly feel that physician assistants working for osteopathic physicians should be granted that same privilege.

I enthusiastically support this legislation and would please urge you to do so also. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Mary Kay Palilla PA-C

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