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Dear Dr. Fasano:

I am writing to express my opinions about the injustice that is being committed against the both Doctor's of osteopathic Medicine (DO) and the Physician assistants^(PA) working under the DO physician. If PA's are allowed to ~~work~~ write prescriptions under an MD then they should be allowed to do the same under a DO. MD's + DO's get the same exact education except DO's get a hundred plus more hours of training. therefore, treatment for PA's working under physicians should be equal.

As a future physician having a PA in my practice would help to make it easier for me to stay in practice after graduation. It would also allow me the opportunity to continue to reside in Pennsylvania as opposed to relocating to a different state to set up practice.

Physician assistants should be granted the same rights regardless of whether they work for a DO or an MD. The education is exactly the same and PA's ~~stand~~ and DO's should not be limited due to ~~old~~ outdated bias.

Signature:

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