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Dear Dr. Fasano:

AS A SECOND YEAR DO student who plans to practice in Pennsylvania, it is important to me that the osteopathic board accepts the proposed prescribing regulations for physician assistants. PA's have been safely prescribing under the supervision of allopathic physicians and it is important to provide osteopathic physicians the same supervisory authority. While I am not sure if I will be in an office or hospital based practice, I am sure that my ~~ability~~ ability to supervise PA's will be important to me. As a DO, it may be a disadvantage in a group practice to not be able to delegate prescriptive authority to a PA while my MD colleagues can. In family practice, it may be important for me to hire a physician assistant as part of my team.

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