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Dr. Fasano,

I was born in Pennsylvania and have lived here all 59 years of my life. I have been working for an allopathic physician in Family Practice since graduating from Hahnemann's Physician Assistant Program in 1979, but have colleagues that work for osteopathic physicians. In fact, my daughter has recently graduated from the physician assistant program at St. Francis University in Loretto and is working in an osteopathic setting.

I sincerely encourage the adoption of the proposed regulations published in the Pennsylvania Bulletin October 20, 2007. With this passage access to medical care will be enhanced and if the regulations are worded exactly the same as the allopathic regulations; this will avoid confusion in clinical practice. Further, this will remove some barriers to care do to reduced waiting time, increased availability of appointments, and allow the physician to focus on more complicated cases.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

John C. Onderko, PA-C

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