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Dear Dr. Fasano:

I support the proposed osteopathic prescribing regulations for physician assistants and believe they should be worded exactly the same as the allopathic regulations to avoid any confusion in clinical practice.

Physician Assistants have been safely prescribing under the supervision of allopathic physicians for years. The individual physician will decide whether his/her PA will prescribe (or not) and also what drugs the PA will be permitted to prescribe.

PAs work with physician supervision to ensure patient safety. Access to care will be improved because the PAs who are currently supervised by DO's will be able to practice to the full extent of their training.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Signature: *Carmella Marshall, PA-S*

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