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Charles P. Fasano, D.O. Chairman, Osteopathic Board of Medicine P.O. Box 2649 Harrisburg, PA 17105-2649

NDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION

## Dear Dr. Fasano:

Physician Assistants are currently prescribing medications under M.D. and doing it safely and efficiently so it would seem appropriate that the role of a PA be equaled under D.O. supervision. Physician Assistants will be able to more adequately and appropriately perform their duties especially in the realm of patient care by being able to spend more time with the patient, stressing the importance of education in the health care setting without having to find the appropriate D.O. to fulfill the prescription duties. Additionally, you will still have the final say on all prescriptions as the supervising physician. I am currently a PA student working towards my degree in health science and will further my academic career by obtaining my masters in Physician Assistant Sciences. Along with my colleagues and under the supervision of the faculty of my program I am writing this to better the future of health care and the role of Physician Assistants in the field.

Sincerely,

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