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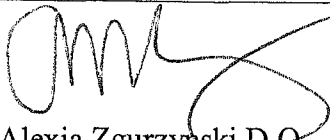
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RE: Prescription Privileges of Physician Assistants

Dear Charles P. Fasano D.O.,

I support the proposed osteopathic prescribing regulations for Physician Assistants. I have been working with my PA for the past 3 years. After her encounter with the patient she already has decided whether or not medications need to be prescribed, including what medications to prescribe. PAs are competent and have the knowledge base to have prescription rights. This is shown by the allopathic supervised physician assistants as they have been safely prescribing for years. Therefore, osteopathic supervised PAs should have the same rights as allopathic supervised PAs. This will maximize the effectiveness of a PA to better provide patient care.

Sincerely,



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