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Dear Dr. Fasano:

I AM writing TO EXPRESS MY CONCERN  
REGARDING THE SUPERVISION OF PHYSICIAN  
ASSISTANTS (PA'S) BY DOCTORS OF OSTEOPATHIC  
MEDICINE (DO'S) IN PENNSYLVANIA. IT IS MY  
UNDERSTANDING THAT DO'S THAT SUPERVISE  
PA'S IN PENNSYLVANIA ARE HAVING THEIR  
PRACTICES DISCRIMINATED AGAINST, NOT ALLOWING  
PA'S PRESCRIBING PRIVILEGES IF THEY ARE  
SUPERVISED BY DO'S IMPLIES THAT DO'S DO NOT  
HAVE THE CLINICAL ACUMEN OR TRAINING  
TO MAKE THESE DECISIONS. THIS IMPLICATION  
FLIES IN THE FACE OF OVER 100 YEARS OF  
OSTEOPATHIC HERITAGE AND AN OSTEOPATHIC MILITARY  
TRADITION THAT DATES BACK TO THE VIETNAM  
WAR. I URGE YOU TO RECONSIDER THIS  
DISCRIMINATORY POLICY & ALLOW OSTEOPATHIC  
MEDICINE TO CONTINUE TO FLOURISH IN THIS STATE

Signature:

Printed Name: DARLOW C. MCALEY D.O.

ASST PROFESSOR, OSTEOPATHIC MANUAL MEDICINE

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