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

Dear Dr. Fasano:

I am writing this letter to inform you of my support for the proposed osteopathic prescribing regulations for physician assistants in the commonwealth of Pennsylvania. As a physician assistant student in Pennsylvania, I strongly believe that my decision to remain in Pennsylvania after graduation hinges on gaining equal prescribing regulations under both D.Os and M.Ds. Doctors of Osteopathy will benefit because these regulations will allow physician assistants to practice medicine to the fullest extent of their training, therefore D.Os can hire more physician assistants, which will reduce patient waiting times and allow all physicians to focus on more complicated cases.

As a future physician assistant, I aspire to work as part of the physician/physician assistant team. Over the years the relationship between providers and the patient has grown tremendously because of the allopathic prescribing regulations for physician assistants and can continue to mature if these new regulations are passed. With your support, we continue to improve the health care for all residents of Pennsylvania.

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Sincerely

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