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Dear Dr. Fasano:

As a Physician Assistant student and future health care provider, I strongly support the proposed osteopathic prescribing regulations for physician assistants. PA's have been safely and effectively prescribing under allopathic physician supervision for years; it is time for osteopathic physicians to have the same authority to delegate prescriptive responsibilities to PA's as their M.D. colleagues. For the benefit of patient care, PA's supervised by DO's will be able to practice to the full extent of their training with these new prescribing regulations. To maintain patient safety, the regulations should be worded the same as the allopathic regulations to avoid confusion in clinical practice. These guidelines should be evaluated carefully to improve the delivery of health care under all physicians and PA's. Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

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