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

To Osteopathic Board Members,

I am writing to give my support for the proposed osteopathic prescribing regulations for physician assistants. I feel that they should be worded exactly the same as the allopathic regulations.

Physician assistants have been safely prescribing under the supervision of allopathic physicians for many years. It is time that osteopathic physicians should have the same ability. Access to care will improve as PAs are allowed to practice to the full extent of their training. The individual physician will decide whether the PA under supervision will prescribe and which medications.

Sincerely,

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cc: Basil L. Merenda Commissioner, Bureau of Professional & Occupational Affairs P O Box 2649 Harrisburg, PA 17105-2649

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