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Governor Edward G. Rendell  
225 Main Capitol Building  
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Dear Governor Rendell,

I am writing this letter to request that you put every effort into passing the law to allow osteopathic physicians to delegate prescriptions to Physician Assistants (PAs) they supervise, just as allopathic physicians (MDs) currently do. This will help improve access by reducing waiting times, increasing availability of appointments and allowing physician time to focus on more complicated cases. Physician Assistants have been safely prescribing with the supervision of MDs for many years. PAs receive a thorough foundation in healthcare focusing on comprehensive humanistic healthcare whether they are supervised by MDs or Dos. PAs will be able to practice to the full extent of our training if we are allowed to safely prescribe medications with the supervision of DOs as well. Supervising physicians can still decide whether the PA will prescribe and also what medications the PA will be permitted to prescribe. As a PA trained in a medical setting (Osteopathic College of Medicine), I got the opportunity to learn how well osteopathic physicians are trained like their MD colleagues. I can also see this very well when I work with both MDs and Dos. I also request you to consider regulations worded exactly the same as the allopathic regulations to avoid any confusion in clinical practice.

Sincerely,

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