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Charles P. Fasano, D.O. Chairman, Osteopathic Board of Medicine P.O. Box 2649, Harrisburg, PA17105-2649

Dear Dr. Fasano:

I am a practicing Physician Assistant in Family Practice in Pennsylvania for the past 10 years. Over the years I have seen thousands of patients each year. I have written tens of thousands of prescriptions. I have had a DEA license to prescribe controlled and non controlled drugs my entire career.

I am writing to you in support of Physician Assistant prescribing rights under DO supervision. As you can see, Physician Assistant prescribing privileges are not a new concept.

I'm sure you are hearing from some of your colleagues', "what if?" scenarios as they pertain to Physician Assistant prescribing rights. I can only say to you, "what if" DOs were not given privileges in Allopathic hospitals and were not allowed to practice to the fullest extent of their training? Where would we be today? Where would the healthcare of our Pennsylvania citizens be today? This is an access to care issue that will allow PAs supervised by DOs to practice to the fullest extent of their training.

Thank you, in advance, for your time and consideration regarding this matter.

Sincerely, Jush n. Listo 14-C

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