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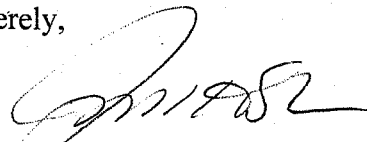
Dear Dr. Fasano:

I have been a solo family physician practicing in Phoenixville, Pennsylvania and a member of POMA for 26 years. I have been a delegate to the state POMA convention for the past five years. During that time I have practiced with the assistance of Wendy Solis who is a certified physician Assistant (PA-C.) graduated from Touro College, 1979. Wendy's program of education was amazing. Faculty from some of the finest hospitals in Manhattan including Beth Israel, Downstate, Sloan-Kettering, and even Dr. Dominic DiMeo, the Manhattan County Coroner taught at the PA program. I know, since I sat in on as many of her classes as possible.

The patients in my practice have the option of making appointments to be evaluated by either myself or Wendy and we work side-by-side. I am available at all times to supervise, reevaluate, and consult as she is available to assist me. She has been fully trained in the prescription of medications and understands their use and side effects well. It is unfortunate, time-consuming, and condescending for me to have to sign her prescriptions which she is fully capable and trained to do so on her own as she is permitted to do under allopathic guidance. I urge you to support regulations to permit properly trained physician assistance who are certified and maintain continuing medical education to have prescription privileges.

Many thanks for your consideration.

Sincerely,



David H. Solis, D.O.
CC: Basil L. Merenda, Commissioner of Bureau of Professional and Occupational
Affairs
CC: Governor Edward G. Rendell