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To: Charles P. Fasano, D.O.,

I am writing in support of the proposed regulations for delegated prescriptive authority for physician assistants under the supervision of osteopathic physicians. I have been an osteopathic physician for seventeen years, board certified in internal medicine, and have been in a private solo practice.

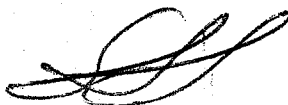
I have had a physician assistant in my practice for the past five years. The proposed regulations will allow him to practice to the full extent of his training and increase the efficiency of my office allowing me to focus on more complicated cases.

Physician assistants have been safely prescribing under the supervision of allopathic physicians for years. I would hope the osteopathic regulations are worded exactly the same as the allopathic regulations to avoid any confusion in clinical practice.

In closing, I believe that osteopathic physicians should be given the same ability to delegate prescriptive authority to our PA's as our MD colleagues.

Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,



Stephen M. Humbert, D.O.