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

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Dear Dr. Fasano,

I am writing to support legislation that would allow osteopathic physicians to delegate prescriptions to PAs they supervise, just as allopathic physicians currently do. I have worked closely with Osteopathic Physicians in many settings over the past 20 years and I find it absurd that current law distinguishes between Allopathic and Osteopathic Physicians on this point. What valid basis can there be for this discrepancy? In nearly every state Osteopathic Physicians must pass identical boards to that Allopathic Physicians. In my experience the Osteopathic Physicians are equally qualified in every respect to function exactly as I do as a supervisor of Physician Assistants. In my opinion, the proposed legislation is long overdue and I strongly recommend that it be enacted as soon as is feasible!

Sincerely,

Drue O. Wagner, M.D.

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