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

Dear Dr. Fassano:

I am writing to you in support of the proposed osteopathic prescribing regulations for physician assistants. Physician assistants are educated and trained to prescribe medications as a part of the healthcare team. With these privileges, the provider-patient relationship is opened up to allow a practical flow of patients and more useful time allocation of physicians. With this prescribing regulation approved, physician assistants, as mid-level practitioners, would be able to open further access to healthcare for patients.

It is my hope, and request, that you consider altering the prescribing regulations for physician assistants working under osteopathic physicians.

Sincerely,

Diana Thompson, PA-S

cc:

Basil L. Merenda

Governor Edward G. Rendell

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