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

Dear Dr. Fasano:

I am writing in support of the proposed osteopathic prescribing regulations for physician assistants (PAs). The integrity and strength of the PA-physician team is contingent upon the prescribing abilities of PAs in every practice and specialty. The individual regulations concerning our prescribing capabilities should be at the discretion of that particular physician. Each D.O. should be able to choose how to utilize the skills of his or her PA. Patients will receive better health care access and appropriate, comprehensive service if PA prescribing regulations are mirrored to those of the M.D. regulations. Furthermore, it is essential for continuity of care as well as beneficial for building rapport and trust with patients. PAs are trained to prescribe and allowing PAs to write prescriptions will only improve the efficiency, organization, and ultimate success of each practice. Thank you for taking the time to review and consider my request.

Sincerely,

Dana McAllister, PA-S

CC: Basil Merenda, Governor Edward G. Rendell

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