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Charles P. Fasano, D.O.:

As a Physician Assistant student my abilities as a practicing professional upon completion of my education are very important to me. I have learned a variety of skills including diagnostics, patient education, and pharmaceuticals. Currently under Pennsylvania law I am denied permission to perform the full extent of these skills under a Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine, and my abilities to provide affordable, quality health care is limited. The law poses an inconsistency in my skills which could result in confusion for PA's, MD's, DO's, and most importantly patients. I am asking for your continued support for the current legislation allowing prescriptive privileges for Physician Assistants of Doctors of Osteopathic Medicine. As I am determining how and where I want to use my abilities, I am inclined to work where I have the most ability to provide the best possible health care.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Baker PA-S

CC: Basil L Merenda, Governor Edward G. Rendell

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