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NDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION

Dear Charles P. Fasano, D.O.,

As a Physician Assistant student in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, I wholeheartedly support the proposed osteopathic prescribing regulations for physician assistants. The regulations should be worded exactly the same as the allopathic regulations to avoid any confusion in the clinical setting. Physician assistants have been safely prescribing for years under the supervision of allopathic physicians. I firmly believe it best to avoid discretion among osteopathic and allopathic prescribing regulations.

Osteopathic physicians should be given the same ability to delegate prescriptive authority to their PAs as their M.D. counterparts. As a prospective practitioner in Pennsylvania, my ability to prescribe under osteopathic physicians will impact job opportunities available for me in Pennsylvania as well as my desire to seek employment in other states. I sincerely hope to reside and work in Pennsylvania after graduation, but I fear that the current osteopathic prescribing regulations may hinder that hope.

Thank you very much, Dr. Fasano, for your time and effort in this matter.

Best,

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