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Dear Dr. Fasano:

*I am writing to you with regard to delegating prescriptive authorities to physician assistants under my supervision. I am a DO practicing in dermatology in Greensburg, Pennsylvania, and am currently unable to delegate prescribing authority to my physician assistant.*

*This lack of physician assistant delegated prescriptive authority puts me, as a DO, at a disadvantage when compared with the allopathic teams that have prescribing authority.*

*It would greatly enhance the flow and availability in my practice to be able to delegate prescribing privileges to my physician assistant.*

*Thank you for your attention to this matter.*

Sincerely,

Brian J. Stairs, DO

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