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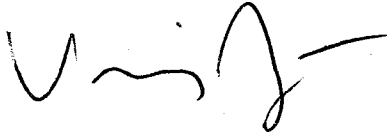
Dear Dr Fasano:

I wanted to take this opportunity to support the proposed regulation changes that would allow Physician Assistants (PAs) to prescribe under an osteopathic physician. I have been a PA-C for five years and have had prescribing authority for that entire time. It has been a positive experience and greatly improved my ability to provide patient care.

Once these regulations have been approved, I know that there will be an improved access to care. Each physician will still have the right to decide whether his/her PA will prescribe and what kinds of medications they will prescribe. DOs will finally have the same rights as their MD colleagues have always had.

Although my supervising physician is an MD, I work with four DOs at my practice. Every single one of them supports me and the PA profession as a whole. They have been talking for years about how DOs should be able to delegate prescribing rights to PAs. I think by and large most providers think it is past time for a change!

Sincerely,



Virginia Jethro, PA-C