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Chairman, Osteopathic Board of
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Dear Charles P Fasano D.O.

I congratulate you and your board for the instituting of prescription privileges for physician assistants working with the osteopathic board. As a physician assistant, I have worked collaboratively with both MD's and DO's in the inpatient setting without any differential of practice methods for approximately ten years. This includes basic prescription writing privileges. There is always the standard of care to provide structure for medical care for the patients. There is also, the reassurance from past years of experience, that the implementation of prescription writing privileges for PA's affiliated with the medical board has been well received by patients and physicians alike, facilitating and improving the standard of care for patients.

The acknowledgement of the training and education physician assistants obtain under the institutions of higher learning will be reflected in Pennsylvania equally under the medical and osteopathic boards of medicine. This admissible utilization of PA's with prescription writing privileges will expedite patient care and allow greater utilization of PA's therefore decreasing individual medical office cost and overall cost of medical care.

Sincerely,



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cc: Don L. Inverda
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