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State Board of Osteopathic Medicine

To whom it may concern,

My name is Robert Woods, D.O. I am an orthopedic surgeon in Franklin, Pennsylvania. This letter is in support of the proposed osteopathic prescribing regulations for physician assistants. In my opinion, physician assistants that work for osteopathic physicians should have the same regulations as those working with allopathic physicians. Physician assistants have been safely prescribing medications under the supervision of allopathic physicians for years. Osteopathic physicians should be given the same ability to delegate prescriptive authority to their PA's as their M.D. colleagues.

Physician assistants work with me to insure patient safety and overall improved healthcare. Overall, the individual physician will decide whether his or her physician assistant will prescribe medications and also what drugs the physician assistant will be permitted to prescribe.

Thank you for the consideration,

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