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Charles P. Fasano, D.O. Chairman, Osteopathic Board of Medicine P.O. Box 2649 Harrisburg, PA 17105-2649

Dear Charles P. Fasano, D.O.,

This letter is in regards to support the proposed osteopathic prescribing regulations for physician assistants. I am currently working under three osteopathic physicians who all agree to the regulation as well. To avoid any confusion, I feel that the regulations should mimic the allopathic regulation. Please note that physician assistants have been prescribing safety under allopathic physicians for years. Of course, the supervising physician would have the deciding factor on what the physician assistant could and could not prescribe.

Allowing physician assistants to practice under their full capabilities, osteopathic physicians will be able to serve a larger portion of the population as well as maximize their earning potential. Thank you for you time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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