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Charles P. Fasano, D.O.  
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Dear Dr. Fasano:

I write this letter in support of the proposed Osteopathic prescribing regulations for physician assistants. I presently work in a group practice of family physicians comprised of both MD and DO family physicians. The group utilizes physician assistants but does not use me as a supervising physician because I have limited supervisory privileges for physician assistants. I therefore support the proposed osteopathic prescribing regulations for physician assistants, and that these regulations should equal the allopathic regulations for physician assistants, so as to avoid any confusion in protocol and privileges.

Osteopathic physicians should be able to delegate prescriptive authority to their PA's the same as my MD colleagues, where I practice family medicine.

My personal privileges have been hampered by this difference in osteopathic and allopathic regulations. I feel this is another reason to consider a joint Osteopathic-Allopathic Medical Board in Pennsylvania.

Sincerely,



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