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Re: Regulation 16A-4926

Dear Ms. Kauffman:

The American College of Nurse-Midwives Region II, Chapter 4, Southeastern Pennsylvania would like to applaud the regulations granting prescriptive authority to Certified Nurse-Midwives (midwives who are also nurses and who meet the certification standards of the ACNM). Regulation 16A-4926 represents significant work on the part of all stakeholders and the Board. This important step forward will increase access to health care provided by Certified Nurse-Midwives in Pennsylvania. The American College of Nurse-Midwives is proud to have a track record of quality, evidence based, and cost effective health care provided by CNMs/CMs.

We encourage IRRC to approve this regulatory package and look forward to working with the state to further increase access to evidence based maternity and primary women's health care.

Sincerely,

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