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March 9, 2010

Arthur Coccodrilli, Chairman
Independent Regulatory Review Commission
333 Market Street
14th Floor
Harrisburg, PA 17101

RE: Pennsylvania Department of Health Regulations, IRR #2672
School Immunizations; Communicable and Noncommunicable Diseases

Dear Chairman Coccodrilli:

We write on behalf of the Pennsylvania State Education Association (PSEA) and the PSEA School Nurse Section to express support for the Pennsylvania Department of Health Final Form Regulations regarding School Immunizations, Communicable and Noncommunicable Diseases.

The immunization requirements set forth in the Final Form Regulations are medically sound. They are in line with the recommendations of the federal agency that has expertise in this area, the Centers for Disease Control Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP), as well as Pennsylvania's Advisory Health Board.

School nurses have known about these new regulations for several years. The school nurses on PSEA's School Nurse Section Board of Directors have reviewed them numerous times, have sought input and have provided input on them. We think it's time to get the job done so we can get on with this work.

School Nurses and PSEA urge you to approve these important immunization regulations without delay.

Thank you for your consideration of our input.

Sincerely,

James P. Testerman
PSEA President

Carol Hackenbracht, RN, CSN, President
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cc: Heather Stafford, Director, Division of Immunization, Department of Health
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From: Karl, Carol [PA] [mailto:ckarl@psea.org]
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A copy of PSEA's comments in support of the PA Department of Health's Final Form Regulations #2672, "School Immunizations; Communicable and Noncommunicable Diseases", is attached.

A hard copy of the attached letter has been mailed to IRRC today.

If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you.

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