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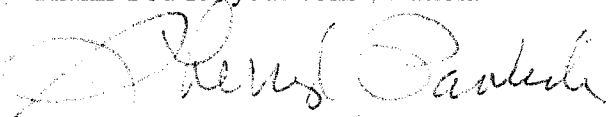
RE: 16A-5124 CRNP General Revisions

Dear MS. Steffanic;

I have been practicing for the last 9 years and presently prescribe prescriptions drugs for my clients. When I complete my assessment, history, etc. and the client needs a schedule II drug, I can not practice within my scope of practice as I inform the client that I need a physician to sign the order. This not only causes the client a longer time period before getting the prescription but also gives the client the perception that I am not qualified to treat the diagnosis. Also, when a client request a refill on Schedule II's or III's, they usually need more than a 72 hour supply (on II's) and if I am not allowed to give a 30 day prescription or over 30 day supply on IIIs, it causes undue hardship to the client as they will have more co-pays for less drugs.

Other states have moved to the fore front and allow CRNPs to practice within their complete scope and Pennsylvania should do the same.

Thank You for your consideration.



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