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Ann Steffanic
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Dear Ms. Steffanic:

I am writing in support of 16A-5124 CRNP General Revisions . I am a pediatric nurse practitioner in a busy, urban, academic emergency department that sees ~81,000 patients per year. I see patients of all ages and acuities and need the ability to give the best care possible.

I especially support the following changes:

- a) to increase patient access to health care
- b) changing the effects of current limits in prescribing scheduled drugs for pain management, palliative care / hospice, acute pain management in primary care, emergency settings & urgent care, and/or problems with patients needing to utilize a 90 day mail order prescription plan
- c) the need to increase in utilization of CRNPs and other APNs to full scope of education & training.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or information requests about my practice.

Sincerely,

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