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**Reference: 16A-5124: CRNP General Revisions**

Dear State Board of Nursing,

I am asking for your support in passing two revised CRNP regulations. I am a Family Physician in a solo practice which employs a Nurse Practitioner. We treat a large number of children and adults with ADHD. Most of these patients are taking schedule II medications. The current regulations are disruptive to patients care. If a patient comes to our office and sees the Nurse Practitioner for a renewal of their schedule II medications and I am unavailable to sign a prescription for a 30 day supply of medication, that patient only receives a 3 day supply. They must then return at another time to see the physician, incur additional co-pays and miss more time away from work or school. The proposed regulations will extend the NP's ability to prescribe this class of medications from 72 hours to a 30 day supply and alleviate the inconvenience to our patients.

I also find no contraindication to extending the NP's ability to prescribe schedule III and IV medications from a 30 day supply to a 90 day supply as proposed in the new regulations. This will enable us to participate fully in our patients' insurance pharmacy benefit plan, saving consumers excessive co-payments and helping to coordinate their prescription needs.

Please consider making the right decision for Pennsylvanians and vote to pass these two CRNP regulations.

Sincerely,



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