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Ms. Ann Steffanic, Board Administrator Pennsylvania State Board of Nursing PO Box 2649 Harrisburg, Pa. 17105-2649

Re: reference no: 16A-5124 CRNP General Revisions

Dear Ms. Steffanic,

I am a D.O. that protects the health, care and well-being of the patients I serve and I am writing to express my support for the proposed rulemaking that would update the regulations that govern CRNP practice in the Commonwealth. I reviewed the proposed rule and wish to express support for several points specifically:

1. Allow 30 days prescriptions for schedule II controlled substances, from present 72 hour rule.

2. Allow 90 days prescriptions for schedule III to IV from present 30 day rule.

Due to the current restrictions on prescribing I must excuse myself from patient care to prescribe 30 day or 90 day schedule II – IV medications. This is unacceptable and unreasonable because it interrupts the care I give to the patients I serve, increases waiting time of the patient, and decreases patient satisfaction.

I am in favor of the proposed changes to <u>16A-5124 CRNP General Revisions</u> because nurse practitioners are the key to better access, quality, and cost effective patient care within the Commonwealth. Thank you for allowing me to express my opinion on this matter.

Best regards,

Lisa C Myers DO