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Ms. Ann Steffanic
Board Administrator
Pennsylvania State Board of Nursing
P.O. Box. 2649
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Dear Ms. Steffanic,

I would like to write to encourage the passage of the CRNP General Revisions (16A - 5124).

I currently practice in a Family Planning Clinic. The ratio of four nurse practitioners to one physician currently restricts the ability of each of our clinics to be open simultaneously due to the current regulations. There are currently five offices in our geographic area, with one medical director. Since only four clinicians can practice at one time, one of our offices remains closed to the care that a nurse practitioner can provide. This situation is extremely difficult for a patient in one part of our coverage area who has an emergency, and must travel to another clinic site. There is minimal public transportation to some sites, and no public transportation to others. Frequently this situation results in a delayed visit for the patient.

Please consider my comments when these revisions are discussed.

Sincerely,



Jacqueline Crocetti, CRNP